

**LOUISIANA STATE MUSEUM COLLECTIONS COMMITTEE
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Tuesday, May 5, 2026 – 10:00 AM, CT
Green Room, Old U.S. Mint**

Meeting Minutes

Members Present: Florence Jumonville (Chair), Courtney Kiel LeBlanc, Wendy Lodrig, (Board Chair), Kaitlyn Palmer, Suzanne Perlis

Members Absent: Mary Coulon

Additional Board Members: Julio Guichard.

Advisors Present: Tamra Carboni, Tiffany Adler

Advisors Absent: Anne Redd, Ann Williams

LSM Staff Present: Becky Mackie, Patrick Burns, Erin Patterson, Sarah-Elizabeth Gundlach, David Kunian, Wayne Phillips, Claudia Kheel, Bryanne Schexnayder, Lisa Black, Jenny Campbell, Tom Strider (recording)

Guests: No guests were in attendance.

A quorum was present.

Call to Order

Florence Jumonville called the meeting to order at 10:08 am.

Adoption of the Agenda

A motion to accept the agenda was made by Wendy Lodrig.
Seconded by Suzanne Perlis, a vote to approve was unanimous.

Collections Committee Action Items

Minutes from the meeting on March 3, 2026

A motion was made by Suzanne Perlis to approve the minutes.
Seconded by Kaitlyn Palmer, a vote to approve was unanimous.

Election of New Advisor

Tiffany Adler, a long-standing member of the Committee recently completed her term on the Board of Directors.

With a goal of retaining her positive influence on the Committee, Florence Jumonville introduced a motion to add Adler as an Advisor

The motion was seconded by Wendy Lodrig. A vote to approve was unanimous.

Proposed Acquisitions

Proposed Gifts for the Permanent Collection:

7 gifts for Carnival, Maps & Manuscripts, Science & Technology were presented. These include the crown jewels worn by Annie Turner Howard as Queen of Carnival in 1884, and a copy of a rare book *A Digest of the Civil Laws Now in Force in the Territory of Orleans*, published 1808, originally owned by Don Juan Filhiol,

1 gift was also received for the Study Collection consisting of VHS videocassettes and DVD's related to the carnival Krewes of Iris and Zeus.

A motion to approve the items for accession was made by Wendy Lodrig.

The motion was seconded by Kaitlyn Palmer.

The Committee recommended the accessions be sent to the Board for approval.

Proposed Deaccession of Objects from the Collection

In total 50 items were recommended for transfer to other institutions or sale at auction.

17 collection objects from Costumes & Textiles, Decorative Arts, Science & Technology, Maps & Manuscripts, and Music were determined to be unrelated to the museum's mission or were duplicates.

A motion to approve the items was made by Wendy Lodrig and seconded by Suzanne Perlis.

The Committee unanimously recommended the deaccessions be sent to the Board for approval.

33 'Found in Collection' objects from Visual Arts and Maps & Manuscripts were designated as non-mission-related, and also proposed for removal.

A motion to approve the items was made by Kaitlyn Palmer and seconded by Suzanne Perlis.

The Committee unanimously recommended the deaccessions be sent to the Board for approval.

Outgoing Loans

6 outgoing loan requests from Louisiana State University Museum of Art (Baton Rouge, LA) for *Southern Gothic*, Newcomb Art Museum (Tulane University. N.O. LA) for *Quiet Reserve*, Audubon State Historic Site (St. Francisville, LA) for general display, Louisiana Office of State Parks, Rosedown Plantation & Gardens, State Historic Site (St. Francisville, LA) for general display, Northeast Louisiana Delta African-American Heritage Museum (Monroe, LA) for *Shake Your Hips*, and Confederate Memorial Hall Museum (N.O., LA) for *Secession*, were reviewed by the Committee.

The first 4 requests were recommended for approval by the Board.

Suzanne Perlis made a motion to approve. Seconded by Wendy Lodrig, the vote was unanimous.

NLDAAHM was approved by Executive Committee (4/23) and did not require a vote.

A vote on the Memorial Hall request was tabled pending receipt of both a completed AAM Standard Facility Report and a professional textile conservation treatment estimate.

Motion to Modify the Agenda

As a result of the previous discussion, Wendy Lodrig made a motion to add a section to the agenda for Conservation. Suzanne Perlis seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

Conservation

As a part of the loan request made by Memorial Hall, the Committee discussed giving conditional approval for the treatment of a Louisiana Secession Flag (2020.108) in the amount of up to \$5,000.00.

Suzanne Perlis made a motion to recommend the expenditure to the Executive Committee. Kaitlyn Palmer seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Outgoing Loan Extensions

3 existing loans were submitted for extensions by Louisiana Office of State Parks, Rosedown Plantation & Gardens Historic Site (St. Francisville, LA). 27 objects on general display include the Crawford Riddell Gothic Revival Armoire.

Suzanne Perlis made a motion to extend the loans. Kaitlyn Palmer seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

Incoming Loans

6 loans for the exhibition *The First Piano Professors and the Lost Music of Early New Orleans* (Mint) were presented. Lenders include Archives and Special Collections, Xavier University (New Orleans, LA), Historic New Orleans Collection (New Orleans, LA), Louisiana and Special Collections, Earl K. Long Library, University of New Orleans (New Orleans, LA), Tulane University Library, Special Collections (New Orleans, LA), John Davis (Brooklyn, NY), and Sisters of the Holy Family (Sister Sylvia Thibodeau) (New Orleans, LA).

Incoming Loan Extension Notifications

The Committee was also notified of 5 loan extensions. Lenders include Jackson Barracks Military Museum (New Orleans, LA) for *Louisiana at War* (Capitol Park). Also noted were Danny Felterman and Michael Felterman (Patterson, LA) and Clay Tucker (Baton Rouge, LA) as lenders for *Lunkers, Specklebellies, & Cocodries* (Wedell-Williams Aviation and Cypress Sawmill Museum (Patterson). Extended loans from the The Billy Cannon Sports Memorabilia Trust (Baton Rouge, LA) allow for a modified version of *Billy Cannon: They Called Him Legend* to go on view at Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame and Northwest Louisiana History Museum (Natchitoches).

Old Business

None presented

New Business

None presented

Adjournment

Florence Jumonville adjourned the meeting at 12:50 pm.