



MUSEUM OF THE ALEUTIANS

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Minutes for Regular Board Meeting, May 9, 2022

5:00 pm on Zoom.us

*The Museum of the Aleutians shall collect, preserve, and share
the rich cultural legacy of the Aleutian Island Region.*

Call to Order. Meeting called to order at 5:05 pm

Roll Call and Recognition of Visitors.

Present: AB Rankin, Mary Heimes, Sandra Moller, Carlos Tayag, and, joining at 5:11, Anthony Lekanof

Absent: Shayla Shaishnikoff. Note: Erin Reinders officially resigned

Staff: Virginia Hatfield

Visitors: no visitors

Tayag read the Mission Statement

Changes to agenda: Hatfield asked to amend the agenda to add Erin Reinders resignation and the discussion of a retirement plan. Moller moved to accept the agenda as amended and Tayag seconded, it was approved unanimously.

Approval of minutes. Moller moved to accept minutes of April 11, 2022; Tayag seconded. Motion passed with three approving and AB Rankin abstaining.

Strategic Plan:

Hatfield updated the board on the Strategic Planning which included a review for new board members and discussion of meeting times. Looking at September for a meeting time. The board thought either the first or second weekend of September would be ok. Hatfield will contact Asper-Smith and Harrington about that weekend. The board also discussed how long each day and how many days preferred for the Strategic Planning in person session. They also discussed including a collections tour for the board.

Finance Policy: Hatfield updated the board on the finance policy. She made a handful of changes but is waiting to bring Foraker Shared Financial Services into the procedures as well as seeking advice regarding the policy.

APICDA Internship

Hatfield updated the board on an APICDA internship offer for Aleutia Peters. She would like to offer Aleutia \$17/hour for 40 hours a week for 10 weeks, of which half the salary and all of the payroll liability would be reimbursed by APICDA. Moller moved to approved up to \$3500 for FY 23 for Aleutia. Lekanof seconded the motion. Board approved unanimously.

MOTA Board Members: Carlos Tayag, Seat: Public-at-Large (2024), AB Rankin, Seat: Ounalashka Corporation (2025), Mary Heimes (Vice-President), Seat: Public-at-Large (2024), Anthony Lekanof, Seat: The Aleut Corporation (May 2023), Seat: Sandra Moller (Secretary), Seat: Public-at-Large (May 2022), Vacant, Seat: City of Unalaska (2023), Shayla Shaishnikoff (President) Seat: Qawalangin Tribe (2024)



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Reinders Resignation Erin Reinders informed the board by email that she is resigning from the Museum board. The board requested that Hatfield send a Thank You letter to Reinders for her service on the board. They asked how the next city appointee would be selected. Hatfield said she would ask the City Clerk.

Retirement plan. Hatfield mentioned that the Foraker Group has an MEP retirement plan that the Museum, as a partner, can participate in for free. Tayag asked if this would be up for a vote? Or maybe when we have a contract? Moller said we should wait to approve it once we have details. Hatfield explained that an MEP option is based on Gault new legislation. Moller thanked Hatfield for looking into it. Heimes said it was very advantageous and the board will wait for more information.

Financial report: Moller moved to approve the Financials as presented, and Lekanof seconded. Hatfield presented the financial report. She requested to move board meetings to allow Foraker time to reconcile the prior month to prepare a board report. Rankin noted she would like to move the meeting and that takes a while to get financials done for the prior month. Hatfield suggested third Mondays. The board agree contingent on the time working for Shaishnikoff and the board Hatfield will check the time with Shaishnikoff. The board approved the financials unanimously.

Staff Report: Hatfield gave the staff report

Date and time of next meeting. June 20, 2022, 5 pm, via Zoom

Public Comments: Hatfield discussed dinner or brunch with Anthony Lekanof who was coming into town. The Board thought Sunday brunch would be good.

Adjournment: 6:11

Director: _____

Mary J. Heimes

Date: _____

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