



MUSEUM OF THE ALEUTIANS

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Minutes for Regular Board Meeting, October 24, 2022

5:00 pm on Zoom.us and in-person at the Museum

*Mission Statement: 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 5:06 p.m. by Vice Chair Mary Heimes.

Roll Call:

Present in Person: Mary Heimes, Marjie Veeder

Present via Zoom: Carlos Tayag, Anthony Lekanof, Sandra Moller

Absent: AB Rankin, Shayla Shaishnikoff

Reading of Mission Statement: Veeder read the mission statement.

Recognition of Staff and Visitors: Virginia Hatfield in attendance; at 5:15 p.m. Karen Macke joined the meeting.

Additions/Corrections to the Agenda: Moller moved to accept the agenda; second by Lekanof. There being no objection, the agenda was accepted.

Hatfield noted that Moller's seat is up this year, 2022. Discussion. Hatfield will prepare and post a notice of the vacancy. If any interest is received, the board will interview applicants and make an appointment. This item will be added to the November meeting agenda.

Approval of Minutes: Regarding the July 19 minutes, it was agreed that AB Rankin made the motion to accept, with second by Veeder. Those additions made to the proposed minutes. Veeder moved to accept the September 19 minutes as corrected; second by Moller. There being no objection, the minutes were accepted as corrected.

Finance Report: Moller moved to accept the financials as presented; second by Lekanoff. Hatfield reviewed the report with the board. There being no objection, the financials were accepted.

Staff Reports: Hatfield gave the staff report and noted that the 200 year anniversary of Father Veniaminov's arrival in Unalaska is coming up in the summer of 2024. KUCB is enthusiastic about participating in marking the occasion, and the idea of a documentary was discussed. Hatfield discussed the museum store and moving to a format where consignment items are limited and the bulk of merchandise for sale is purchased outright.

Old Business:

Collections Policy Review. Moller moved to accept the Collections Policy; second by Lekanof. Macke made comments about the collection policy and the changes made after the document was provided to the board. After discussion, Moller and Lekanof rescinded their motion and second. This item will be reviewed at the November board meeting.

Strategic Planning. Sarah said she is having difficulty traveling to Unalaska in November and suggested an initial session via Zoom, then a follow up session in person. Several board members indicated a preference for the board to be present together in person, and Sarah to attend via Zoom, keeping the November 18-19 dates. Hatfield will inquire of the full board by telephone or email.

New Business: None.

Executive Session: Veeder moved to go into Executive Session; second by Heimes. There being no objection, the board moved into Executive Session.

Discussion in executive session.

6:32 p.m. Veeder moved to return to regular session; second by Moller. There being no objection, the board returned to regular session at 6:32 p.m.

No action taken in executive session.

Public Comments: None.

Date and Time of Next Meeting: It was agreed to schedule the November meeting in conjunction with the strategic planning sessions on November 18 and November 19, 2022.

Adjournment: Having completed all items on the agenda, Heimes adjourned the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

Director: Mary J. Heimes Date: 12/3/22

MOTA Board Members: Carlos Tayag, Seat: Public-at-Large (2025), 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), Marjorie Veeder, Seat: City of Unalaska (2023), Shayla Shaishnikoff (President) Seat: Qawalangin Tribe (2024)