

**Lake County Forest Preserve District
Education, Cultural Resources and Public Affairs Committee Meeting,
Monday, February 29, 2016**

The Education, Cultural Resources and Public Affairs Committee met Monday, February 29, 2016 at the Lake County Forest Preserves, 1899 West Winchester Road, Libertyville, Illinois.

- 1.0 **Call to Order** -With a quorum present, Chairman Craig Taylor called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

Commissioners Present:

Craig Taylor, *Chair*
Mary Ross Cunningham, *Vice Chair*
Chuck Bartels
Steve Carlson
Audrey Nixon
S. Michael Rummel
Nick Sauer
Jeff Werfel

Also Present:

Ann B. Maine, *President*
Alex Ty Kovach
Mike Tully
Nan Buckardt
Katherine Hamilton-Smith
Steve Neaman
Mary Kann
Andrew Osborne
Rebekah Snyder
Eileen Davis
Maureen Clausen

Absent:

Brent Paxton

- 2.0 **Pledge Of Allegiance** – President Maine led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3.0 **Public Comment**–There was no public comment.
- 4.0 **Addenda to the Agenda** – There were no addenda to the agenda.
- 5.0 **Executive Director Comments**-Executive Director Kovach distributed his report and provided updates on the following:
- District Volunteer Recognition Breakfast on February 27; 120 volunteers attended;
 - Preservation Foundation working to acquire new board members and new committee members;
 - Attended the Legislative Breakfast hosted by the Lake Bluff Park District with President Maine and Commissioner Hart;
 - Pilot buckthorn removal project; have had one donation of \$100,000 dollars; reviewed map;
 - The American Council of Engineering Companies' recognized the Pine Dunes Wetland Mitigation Project with an honor award for exceptional engineering;
 - President Maine authorized participation in this year's Blue Star Museum Program;
 - Discussed a chart detailing the District's trails.
- 6.0 **Correspondence** – None
- 7.0 **Approve Minutes**
- 7.1 **Approve Minutes from February 1, 2016.** Motion by member Rummel, second by member Nixon. Voice vote being had, all in favor, the motion passed unanimously and the minutes were circulated for signatures.

8.0 **New Business**

8.1 Policy Direction regarding authorizing negotiation of transfer of ownership of the Curt Teich Postcard Archives along with the supporting endowment, to the Newberry Library – Executive Director Kovach asked for permission to enter into negotiations with Newberry Library, in addition to the University of Illinois, for transferring the Teich Postcard collection. Following discussion, the consensus of the committee was to proceed.

8.2 For Information Only – Lake County Discovery Museum closing to facilitate relocation to the General Offices building in Libertyville – Director Nan Buckardt advised the committee that in order for staff to prepare for moving the museum and staff to the General Offices, she recommended to the President and Executive Director that the museum at Lakewood close on September 1, 2016 at the end of the current exhibition schedule, with an anticipated reopening at the new location in August of 2017. She advised that there will be a loss of revenue for admissions and merchandise, and a decrease in program revenue, of approximately \$50,000 during this one-year period; and explained that some educational programming will still take place. She addressed questions from the committee members.

9.0 **Old Business** – None

10.0 **Department Reports**

10.1 Education Report - Director Buckardt, gave a PowerPoint presentation highlighting programs, projects, activities and exhibits.


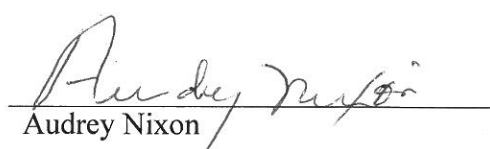
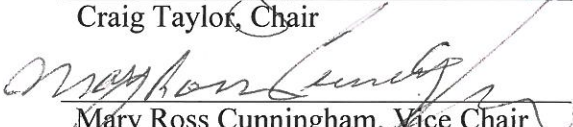
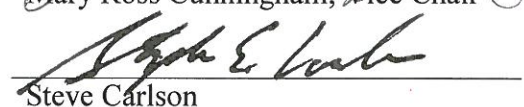

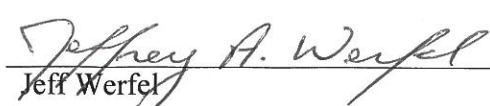
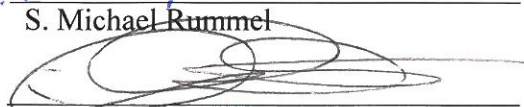
10.2 Public Affairs Report- Director Hamilton-Smith reported on what Public Affairs is promoting and/or has participated in within the District.

11.0 **Executive Session** – None

12.0 **Next Meeting** – April 4, 2016

13.0 **Adjourn** - With no further business; motion by member Ross Cunningham, second by member Carlson to adjourn. Voice vote had, all in favor, the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:47 am.

APPROVED:

	<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>		<u>Yea</u>	<u>Nay</u>
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