

Preservation Foundation Board Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, August 14, 2019
17907 W. Edwards Road, Antioch, IL 60002

1. Call to Order

President Leutwiler called the meeting to order at 9:46 a.m. the following members were present: Braat, Dalitsch, Frank, Hough, Hunter, Kody, Kovach, Leutwiler, Rummel, and Vincent. Members absent: Danks, and Moore.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

President Leutwiler dispensed with the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Public Comment- None

4. Announcements and Correspondence

President Leutwiler welcomed guest Mr. Marshall Field and new board member Betsy Hough.

5. Executive Director Comments

Rebekah Snyder presented: the new 2018 Preservation Foundation annual report, a “stoplight” report on contributions and progress to goals, reminded the Board of upcoming events, and reported on notable grants, gifts, and geographic distribution of donors.

6. Approval of Minutes

Member Hunter noted the May 14, 2019 open session minutes showed President Leutwiler dispensed with the Pledge, when in fact he did lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Motion by member Kody, second by member Braat to approve open session minutes as amended and closed session minutes from May 14, 2019. Voice vote being had, the motion passed unanimously.

7. Reports of Board and Standing Committees

7.1 Executive Committee Chair’s Report

President Leutwiler stated that the Executive Committee meeting, formerly scheduled for August 7, had been canceled due to lack of business items. He also acknowledged several members for their contributions of time and resources to events and commitments respectively.

8. Reports of Special Committees

8.1 Finance Committee Chair’s Report

Member Rummel gave an update on the Finance Committee

8.2 Development Chair’s Report

Member Braat identified a new Development Committee member, Dr. Michael Tutty, and conceded to member Hunter who presided in his absence at the Development Meeting. Member Hunter gave a brief update on the Harvest Dinner, and a communication strategy to build awareness of the Preservation Foundation.

9. New Business

9.1 For Information Only: Fourth Quarter Financials

Rebekah Snyder summarized the distributed financial statement.

9.2 Recommend approval of an \$11,579 Grant to Provide Partial Support for Development of the "Celebration of Souls" Exhibition at the Bess Bower Dunn Museum and to Assist in Engaging the Latinx Community in Lake County.

Nan Buckardt gave an introduction and Andrew Osborne presented on the "Celebration of Souls" exhibition. A brief discussion ensued. Motion by member Hunter, second by member Frank to approve the recommendation as presented. Voice vote being had, the motion passed unanimously.

9.3 Recommend Approval of a Resolution Adopting an Endowment Fundraising Goal of \$20 Million by December 31, 2025.

Member Kovach opened discussion on the goal of the Endowment Fund. A general discussion ensued including Mr. Field offering input on strategizing donor recruitment, and Rebekah Snyder answered questions. Motion by member Rummel, second by member Hough to approve the recommendation as presented. Voice vote being had, the motion passed unanimously.

10. Old Business- None.

11. Closed Session- None

12. Potential Action Following Closed Session- None

13. Next Meeting

Wednesday, November 13, 2019

14. Adjourn

With no further business before the Board, President Leutwiler declared the meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:



Helena Keller
Recording Secretary

Date Approved: 11/13/19