



## **BOARD MINUTES**

*Regular Board Meeting*

**January 24, 2024**

Art Pick Council Chambers, 3900 Main Street, Riverside, CA 92522

### **Board Members Present**

Cynthia Zdilor, Chair  
Peggy Barnhart  
Julie Bjork  
Richard Cardullo  
Luz Maria Negrón Bermo  
Sharon Tennell, Vice-Chair  
Lovelyn Razzouk

### **Museum Staff Present**

Robyn Peterson, Museum Director  
Ann Lovell, Manager of Operations  
Toni Kinsman, Sr. Office Specialist

### **Board Members Absent**

Todd Carpenter  
Rich Gardner

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by Board Chair Cynthia Zdilor.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

**1. You are invited to participate by phone at (669) 900-6833 and enter Meeting ID: 926 9699 1265 to comment on any matters within the jurisdiction of the Museum of Riverside Board. Press \*9 to be placed in the queue to speak when the agenda item is called. Individuals in the queue will be prompted to unmute by pressing \*6 to speak - Individual audience participation is limited to 3 minutes.**

No public comments.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR**

#### **2. Minutes – October 25, 2023**

The minutes were received and filed without corrections.

#### **3. Record excused Museum of Riverside Board member absences for the October 25, 2023, regular meeting**

The absences of Lovelynn Razzouk (personal) and Rich Gardner (illness) were approved as excused.

Motion: Board Member Cardullo

Second: Board Member Bjork

Ayes: Unanimous

#### **4. Receive and file a presentation from the Museum of Riverside's Associate Educator**

This item will be postponed to the February Board meeting due to a scheduling conflict.

**DISCUSSION CALENDAR**

**5. Discuss the absence of Board Member Todd Carpenter from the October 25, 2023, regular Board meeting.**

A motion was made to record the absence as unexcused due to lack of sufficient notice (less than 24 hours/ work/ personal conflict).

- Motion: Board Member Barnhart
- Second: Board Member Cardullo
- Ayes: Unanimous

**6. Museum of Riverside core values statement**

The Museum of Riverside Board approved an updated core values statement for the Museum of Riverside: “We value who we are – a museum that preserves the memories of Riverside and serves as a place for lifelong learning. We value our community – its diversity, inclusivity, creativity, and all its voices, past and future.”

- Motion: Board Member Barnhart
- Second: Board Member Tennell
- Ayes: Unanimous

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**7. Riverside Museum Associates – quarterly update - no report**

**8. Harada House Foundation – quarterly update – no report**

**9. Director’s Update regarding the main museum renovation, historic houses, collections, exhibitions and programs, staffing, advisory teams, volunteer and support opportunities, marketing, and communications.**

In addition to the published report Director Peterson reported that the Museum’s 100 activities to celebrate its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary have begun. A new program on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday at Heritage House is titled “Movies on the Lawn: Made in Riverside,” which features films that have segments filmed in Riverside. Pfeiffer Partners’ lead architect for the main Museum Stephanie Kingsnorth gave a presentation on the Museum renovation project to Leadership Riverside. The Riverside Public Utilities Board approved the lease for the Museum to rent office space in Mission Square for 7/8 staff during the renovation; it will now go to City Council for approval. New Manager of Curatorial Services Jennifer Dickerson will begin February 16<sup>th</sup>. That brings the Museum’s FTEs to 13.5, which is all of the department’s funded positions.

**10. Board Chair/ Vice-Chair update - no reports**

**11. Brief reports on conferences, seminars, and meetings attended by Museum of Riverside Board members**

No discussion.

**12. Items for future Museum of Riverside Board consideration as requested by members of the Board. Only items that fall within the powers and duties of the**

**Museum of Riverside as set forth in the City Charter and/or the Riverside Municipal Code will be agendized for future discussion.**

No agenda items requested. Board member Barnhart inquired about the format for the February meeting's Board officers' nomination and election.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:22 p.m.

The next regular Museum of Riverside Board meeting will be held  
Wednesday, February 28, 2024, at 3:00 p.m.