



BOARD MINUTES

Regular Board Meeting

February 28, 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
Rich Gardner

Museum Staff Present

Robyn Peterson, Museum Director
Ann Lovell, Manager of Operations
Toni Kinsman, Sr. Office Specialist
Chantal Downing, Inst. Adv. Coord.
Jennifer Dickerson, Curatorial Svcs. Mgr.
Kim Cobb, Associate Educator

Board Members Absent

Todd Carpenter
Lovelyn Razzouk

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:03 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 or comment cards received in Chambers.

CONSENT CALENDAR

2. Minutes – January 24, 2024

The minutes were received and filed without corrections.

PRESENTATIONS

3. Receive and file a presentation for outgoing Board member Todd Carpenter

Todd was not present at the meeting, but the Museum of Riverside Board acknowledged his years of service to the department.

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

Kim Cobb gave a presentation on her role at the Museum of Riverside’s Associate Educator and brief biography.

DISCUSSION CALENDAR

5. Discuss the absence of Board Member Todd Carpenter and Rich Gardner from the January 24, 2024, regular Board meeting.

A motion was made to record the absences as unexcused due to lack of notice (less than 24 hours). Carpenter due to work and Gardner due to personal reasons.

- Motion: Board Member Barnhart
- Second: Board Member Cardullo
- Ayes: Board Members Barnhart, Bjork, Cardullo, Gardner, Tennell, Zdilor
- Abstain: Board Member Negrón Bermo

6. Discuss, receive, and file the Strategic Plan status report for the quarter ending December 31, 2023

This report was received and filed.

7. 2024 Museum Board Officers

After receiving nominations from the floor, a motion was made to elect Sharon Tennell (Chair) and Richard Cardullo (Vice Chair) as Museum Board officers. Officer terms begin March 1, 2024, through February 28, 2025.

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

COMMUNICATIONS

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

In addition to the published report Director Peterson reported that Heritage House will be open tomorrow for special leap year tours. Refer to the Director’s report for upcoming events and activities as part of the Museum’s 100th Anniversary celebration. The Museum will present a Department overview to City Council on March 19, which will include the announcement of the 2023 Employee of the Year. Board members are encouraged to attend. Time TBD. The new website updates are underway with a goal of the site going live in March.

9. Board Chair/ Vice-Chair update - no reports

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

Board Member Negrón Bermo volunteered at the Black History Parade and Expo with Museum staff. There is a City Clerk training session tomorrow at 5:30 p.m. for all Board & Commission members.

11. 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.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

The upcoming March 27, 2024, Museum of Riverside Board meeting has been cancelled.

The next regular Museum of Riverside Board meeting will be held
Wednesday, April 24, 2024, at 3:00 p.m.