



Board of Directors Meeting  
Friday, October 17th

1. Call to order at 8:07am by Bonnie Kruse, President
  2. In attendance: Bonnie Kruse, Tim Malmkar, Dick Foran, John Guethenlien, Anna Stacy, Mike Steele, Lisa Burke, Cassie Condon  
Jennifer Priest absent, Kirsten took minutes
  3. Approval of September minutes Motion by Malmkar, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Foran. Motion Passed.
  4. Presidential Comments: Bonnie reiterated agenda items and deferred most comments to agenda areas.
  5. Committee Reports
    - a. Property & Growth Committee (Tim)
      - i. Discussion of clean-up process and need for more storage. Discussion of building a large garage or containers. Kirsten will get pricing. Discussion to sell shed. Motion by Steele to sell sheds for listed price of \$2,500, minimum of \$1,800. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Malmkar. Motion Passed. Will work on getting sheds cleaned out and ready for sell.
      - ii. Discussion of using the "train room" as a kids play store and spreading the gift shop out. Parker discussed the strategy to separate kids and adult items for adult browsing pleasure and kids ability to run and play. 4<sup>th</sup> quarter is a perfect time to test this with the holidays and cold weather. Move will be complete by November 15<sup>th</sup>, in time for the holiday season.
    - b. Marketing/PR/Events Committee (Jenn, Anna)
      - i. No meeting held in October. Next meeting will be budget focused. Discussed need for board assistance on December 1<sup>st</sup> possible to help with the Museum Store Sunday.
      - ii. Upcoming Events
        1. Nebraska Travel Conference Welcome Party: October 21<sup>st</sup>
        2. Prairie Art Center Festival of Trees: November
        3. Christmas at the Codys: December
        4. Lincoln County Museum Christmas Land: December
        5. Museum Store Sunday: December 1<sup>st</sup>
    - c. Education Committee (Kirsten)
      - i. Safety Stairs is still on hold pending a meeting with Union Pacific to discuss Operation Lifesaver.
      - ii. Tour Update: September and October were good. October especially. This will wrap up the bus tour season.
    - d. Operations Committee (Mike)
      - i. Steele mentioned that expenses are down. Gift shop continues to prove worthwhile. Parker still believes we are on course to hit \$200,000 in sales this year. Budget meeting will be set up and presented for next board meeting for the first round of approval.
  6. Executive Director Report and Questions (Attached)
    - a. Motion to move to Executive Session at 8:42am to discuss personnel matters by Condon. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steele.
    - b. Motion to adjourn Executive Session by Burke at 8:52am, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steele. MP
  7. Next meeting: November 15th, 8:00am at the Golden Spike Tower
  8. Adjourn at 8:53am
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