

Present: Simone Dorcas, Jill Hennessey, Dan Juchniewich, Lori Kirby, Jim Konitzer, Christine Kornely, Jim Muenzenmeyer, Jane Spindler, Dolly Stokes, Tom Van Horn, Amy Fricke-Weigel, Tricia Zimmermann

Absent: Eric Sitkiewitz,

Meeting was called to order at 12:05 by Fricke-Weigel

A motion was made by Zimmerman, seconded by Spindler and unanimously approved by the board to accept the August minutes.

Presidents Report – Amy Fricke-Weigel

1. Financial Review
 - Financial overviews of August's activity were given to the board.
2. Sputnikfest
 - Approximately 4600 People attended this year's event
 - Plans for 2012 (the 50th anniversary) will be discussed at the October meeting.
3. Police & Fire Exhibition
 - This event has brought in a lot of local residents who have never been to the museum
 - The 911 Remembrance ceremony was attended by approximately 300 people
4. Director
 - The new Director, Greg Vadney will be starting on Monday, September 26th.
5. RWAM Friends Advisory Board – Tricia Zimmerman
 - A budget for the Members Only Tablesetting Reception was submitted for approval.
 - A motion was made by Stokes, seconded by Konitzer, and unanimously approved by the board to accept the budget.
 - The Members Only Christmas In The Mansion Reception will be held on December 20th.
 - The Advisory Board will be reviewing the Friends Bi Laws. Any changes will be presented to the Governing Board for approval.

Building Project – Jim Muenzenmeyer

Committee: Fricke-Weigel, Konitzer, Stokes, Van Horn, Zimmerman

- Current drawings were reviewed by the board and suggestions made
 - Muenzenmeyer will meet with the Architects and make the necessary changes.
 - A complete set of drawings will be presented to the board at the October meeting along with samples of the materials to give the board a clearly picture of the colors, etc.
- Funding
 - The "Preliminary Opinion and Probably Cost" sheet was passed out to the board.
 - Muenzenmeyer & Fricke Weigel met with Mr. Bare of the West Foundation, and he has expressed an interest in supporting this project.
 - The Rahr-West Art Museum Charitable Foundation has agreed to work with the museum on this project.
 - Stacia Dick-Schuster will be applying for Grants through the Foundation's 501c3 status.
 - Naming rights were presented as an option – there are four possible areas for this.
 - We are still in need of a Chair Person to head our Fundraising committee.
 - Governing Board Members were asked to submit suggestions to Fricke Weigel.

Collections – Dan Juchniewich

- Juchniewich reminded the board that the O’Keeffe will be going out on loan from October 28, 2011 until May of 2012.

Old Business

Fundraising Event

- A contract will be drawn up with Kathleen Bundy regarding the production “The Trial of Ebenezer Scrooge”, which will be held at the museum in November, with the Rahr-West receiving a percentage of the proceeds.

Board Members

- **Governing Board**
There are currently 2 vacancies on the Governing Board. The names of potential board members have been submitted to the mayor and are waiting approval.
- **Foundation Board**
There are 3 vacancies on the Foundation Board. Two that need to come from the Governing board and one member at large.

Motion made by Kornely and seconded by Kirby to adjourn.
Meeting adjourned at 1:05 pm.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, October 19th at 12:00 noon at the Rahr-West Art Museum.

Respectfully submitted

Elaine Schroeder