



MINUTES - SEK Museum Alliance Board Meeting

April 30, 2021, 10-11:30 am

Girard, KS

Board members present: Ray Rothgeb, Leanne Githens, Gina McBride, Jolene Born, Carol Staton, and Terri Harley. Ed Born was absent.

President Ray Rothgeb called the meeting to order at 10am, with 6 members present.

Carol made a motion to approve the agenda. Terri seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The minutes of the February board meeting was reviewed and accepted as presented.

Financial Report –

Treasurer Terri Harley presented the financial statements from January, February, and March. The balance as of March 16, 2021 was \$1,082.38. Carol made a motion to approve the financial statement. Jolene seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Passport Project Update –

Compliance – After some discussion, it was determined that there are no major ongoing issues with compliance to the project guidelines.

Marketing Assessment – To evaluate the impact of the Passport Project, it was agreed that a quarterly assessment should be completed by participating museums. Ray will create an online survey using “Survey Monkey” and it will be sent out quarterly by email.

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There has been no progress on this since the last board meeting.

Web Page –

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Next General Meeting –

The next general meeting will be held June 12 in Pittsburg, hosted by the Crawford County Museum. It was decided to send out invitations by email on May 15, with a follow-up reminder on May 30. The agenda was discussed and it was decided to include a “Spotlight on Museums” each meeting– a short, timed, report from several museums. The basket fundraiser was discussed. The speaker will be Angela Watts, Collection Manager for KU’s Spencer Museum of Art, discussing conservation methods on a budget.

SEKTR (Southeast Kansas Tourism Region) Report –

Ray had no report at this time.

Other –

Discussion was held about the possibility of developing a “Museum Assessment” tool that could be used to help each institution evaluate their present practices with the goal of identifying areas of both success and area for improvement.

The **next Board Meeting** will be held Thursday, July 15 at 10 am at the Catholic Hall, Cherryvale.

Meeting adjourned by acclimation at 11:45.

Submitted, Leanne Githens, SEK Museum Alliance Board Secretary

“A museum is a non-profit institution housed in a building in which objects of historical, scientific, artistic, or cultural interest are stored and exhibited.”