

Meeting Minutes

Chandler Museum Foundation

Executive Subcommittee

Regular Meeting

March 3, 2025 | 1:00 p.m.
Chandler Museum, Saguaro Room
300 S. Chandler Village Drive, Chandler, AZ



Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Barbara Meyerson at 1:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Board Member Attendance

Barbara Meyerson, Chair
Joan Clark, Vice-Chair
Rich Feely, Treasurer

Staff Attendance

Kim Moyers, Director, Cultural Development
Jody Crago, Museum Manager
Peter Bugg, Museum Operations Manager

Absent

Unscheduled Public Appearances

None.

Consent Agenda

1. Approve Minutes from February 3, 2025, Museum Foundation Executive Subcommittee
 - Rich Feely made a motion to approve Minutes from February 3, 2025, Museum Foundation Executive Subcommittee
 - Joan Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously (3-0). The minutes were approved as presented.

Action Agenda

2. Recommend Appointment of Candidates for 2025 Vacancies of Museum Foundation Board

- Joan Clark made a motion to recommend appointment of candidates for 2025 vacancies of Museum Foundation Board.
 - Rich Feely seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously (3-0).
 - Board Members provided reports on conversations with Cynthia Conda, M Susan Crabtree, Devin Moreno, Heather Patterson, and Chatavea Elder.
 - Subcommittee Members approved M Susan Crabtree, Chatavea Elder, Devin Moreno, and Heather Patterson.
3. Recommend Museum Foundation Board Approve Four Fundraising Initiatives Developed by Museum Foundation Finance Subcommittee
- Joan Clark made a motion to recommend Museum Foundation Board approve four fundraising initiatives developed by Museum Foundation Finance Subcommittee.
 - Barbara Meyerson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously (3-0). Proposal was approved as presented.
 - Rich Feely provided description of the fundraising initiative proposal from the Museum Foundation Finance Subcommittee
 - Finance Subcommittee recommends initially focusing on a reception for the House of Broadcasting or similar exhibition, the upcoming OA+D exhibition, the Eddie Basha, Jr. oral history project, and future traveling exhibitions.
 - The recommended format for pursuing these opportunities is to have one Board member as lead with 2-4 other Board members working on each initiative
 - Subcommittee members discussed how donor management would be coordinated.
 - Subcommittee members discussed finding or holding training for Board Members on best practices for researching and approaching donors.
 - Joan Clark volunteered to lead fundraising for the upcoming OA+D exhibition. Jacki Ryan was recommended to lead the fundraising team for the House of Broadcasting or similar exhibition reception. Martin Sepulveda was recommended to lead the fundraising team for the Eddie Basha, Jr. oral history project.
4. Recommend Call a Special Museum Foundation Board Meeting, March 17, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m. to Discuss Museum Foundation Strategic Plan
- Rich Feely made a motion to call a Special Museum Foundation Board Meeting, March 17, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m. to discuss Museum Foundation Strategic Plan
 - Joan Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously (3-0). Proposal was accepted with the following changes:
 - Move start time to 6:30 p.m.
 - Joan Clark described proposed content of the Special Museum Foundation Board Meeting.

5. Chandler Museum Strategic Plan Updated
 - Meeting to select consultant will be held on March 4, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. at City Hall.
6. Board Attendance Update
 - Jody Crago spoke to Adam Turner regarding attendance. If he attends all remaining meetings, he will be at 60% attendance.
 - All other Museum Foundation Board Members attendance is within acceptable range.
7. Marketing Workgroup Update
 - Marketing Workgroup is working on finding a day to meet with Becca Vega, Chandler Museum Marketing and Volunteer Coordinator, to discuss Museum Foundation Marketing efforts.
8. Bond Election Update
 - Kim Moyers explained that the bond approval process has moved from the recommendation committee to the steering committee.
 - Due to the failed school bond election, the steering committee chose to keep the amount under \$500 million. Because of that, the Ranch and Tumbleweed Park request was removed from this bond.
9. Museum Manager's Report
 - Ceangal/Connections exhibitions opens March 15, 2025. There will be a reception the evening of March 14, 2025.
 - Possible reception for I Can't Help Myself: Jon Arvizu at the end of March.
 - Chandler Boards and Commissions Appreciation Event on April 16, 2025, starting at 7:30 a.m. in the Chandler City Hall Courtyard.
10. Cultural Development Report
 - Nothing to report
11. Review Agenda Items for Next Museum Foundation Board Meeting
 - Recommend Appointment of Candidates for 2025 Vacancies of Museum Foundation Board
 - Recommend Museum Foundation Board Approve Four Fundraising Initiatives Developed by Museum Foundation Finance Subcommittee
 - Bond Election Update
 - Removed Bond Election Update
12. Review Agenda for Museum Foundation Meeting, March 17, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Member Comments

None.

Member Announcements

None.

Calendar

13. Next Museum Foundation Board Meeting will be March 17, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. at the Chandler Museum.
14. Next Executive Subcommittee Meeting will be April 7, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. at the Chandler Museum.
15. Chandler Museum Exhibits:
 - Select Treasures from The Organic Architecture + Design Archives: A Micro Exhibit – November 5, 2024 – March 23, 2025
 - I Can't Help Myself: John Arvizu – January 7, 2025 – June 8, 2025
 - Gaman: Enduring Japanese American Internment at Gila River – February 4, 2025 – January 26, 2026
 - Through the Eyes of Youth: Life and Death in Bedzin Ghetto – February 7, 2024 – March 24, 2025
 - Ceangal/Connections – March 15, 2025 – July 20, 2025
16. Chandler Museum Events:
 - History Bites: Art of the Cowgirl – March 4, 2025 at 12:00 p.m.
 - C-Town: Seeds – March 5 & 19, 2025 at 10:30 a.m.
 - Art Tots: Art in Bloom – March 12 & 26, 2025 at 10:30 a.m.
 - Play Day: Wild West – March 16, 2025 at 2:00 p.m.
 - Chandler Museum Book Club: The Light in Hidden Places by Sharon Cameron – March 18, 2025 at 12:00 p.m.
 - Our Stories: History of the Wild Horses with Salt River Wild Horse Management Group – March 29, 2025 at 10:30 a.m.
17. Vision Gallery Exhibits:
 - Impermanence: Mark Tan – January 21, 2025 – March 15, 2025
 - M|otherworlds – March 22, 2025 – June 7, 2025
18. Vision Gallery Events:
 - Make and Take: Painted Rocks – March 22, 2025 at 11:00 a.m.
 - Art Social: Monster Dolls – March 29, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.
19. Gallery at CCA Exhibits:
 - Art in the Everyday – February 15, 2024 – April 5, 2025

Adjourn

With no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 2:24 p.m.

Barbara Meyerson, Chair

Jody Crago, Staff Liaison