

Meeting Minutes

Chandler Museum Foundation

Regular Meeting

January 6, 2026 | 5:30 p.m.
Chandler Museum, Agave Room
300 S. Chandler Village Drive, Chandler, AZ



Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Barbara Meyerson at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Board Member Attendance

Barbara Meyerson, Chair
Gregory Herriman, Treasurer
Joshua Askey
Mary Cimaglio
Joan Clark
Susan Crabtree
Shatavia Elder
Heather Patterson
Jacki Ryan

Staff Attendance

Jody Crago, Museum Manager
Peter Bugg, Museum Operations Manager
Dani Schulze, Museum Management Assistant

Absent

Richard Feely, Vice-Chair
Devin Moreno
Martin Sepulveda

Unscheduled Public Appearances

None.

Consent Agenda

1. Approval of Minutes from November 4, 2025 Chandler Museum Foundation Board Meeting
 - Chandler Museum Foundation (CMF) Board Member Joan Clark made a motion to approve of minutes from November 4, 2025 Chandler Museum Foundation Board Meeting

- CMF Board Member Gregory Herriman seconded the motion.
- Motion carried unanimously (9-0). The minutes were approved with corrections:
 - Minor grammatical corrections

Action Agenda

None.

Discussion

2. Update on Eddie Basha Jr. Exhibition Opening

- The event will be on March 7, 2026 from 6-8 p.m.
- Museum Manager Jody Crago shared current and expected donations for the event
- Liquor license application was submitted
- Board Member Jacki Ryan updated Board on status of vendors and invitation design process
- Mrs. Ryan requested Board members review invitation list within one week of the meeting
- Mr. Crago shared that the exhibition design process is going well. The layout, text, and object selection are in process.
 - Because of the switchover of exhibitions, the museum's main exhibition hall will be closed for the month of February

3. Museum Donor Wall Update

- Board Treasurer Gregory Herriman presented a preliminary list of considerations when designing donor wall, possible donor levels, and questions for museum staff.
- Estimated timeline will depend on the final design and materials
- The workgroup is focusing especially on interchangeability with the design

4. Update on Chandler Museum Strategic Planning

- Keen conducted private meetings with most of the Chandler City Council members, two public meetings, and researched comparable museums
- In early December, Keen staff met with the museum steering committee to work on the mission, vision, and strategic initiative.
- On December 19th, Keen staff met with the Chandler Museum senior staff to determine goals and objectives.
- In the next week, Keen will meet with Mr. Crago and Museum Operations Manager Peter Bugg to present the draft strategic plan including goals, objectives, and tactics.
- Ultimately the strategic plan will go to Chandler City Council for approval and will then be distributed publicly.

- The goal is for the strategic plan to be completed by late-March.

Briefing

None.

Member Comments

1. Mr. Crago introduced Dani Schulze, the Chandler Museum's new Management Assistant.

Member Announcements

None.

Calendar

5. Calendar of Exhibitions or Events
 - Mr. Crago distributed the new Jan-Mar quarterly calendars.
 - *Gaman: Enduring Japanese American Internment at Gila River* closes January 25.
 - KJZZ will be hosting a panel event at the Chandler Museum on January 14 from 6-7:30 p.m.
 - Mr. Crago also noted that Museum Store Sunday underperformed from what was expected and that the Museum was busy during the City of Chandler Winter Break (the week between Christmas and New Years)

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

Barbara Meyerson, Chair

Jody Crago, Staff Liaison