Meeting Minutes
Chandler Museum Foundation
Executive Subcommittee
Regular Meeting

September 23, 2026 | 2:30 p.m.
Chandler Museum, Saguaro Room
300 S. Chandler Village Drive, Chandler, AZ

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Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by Barbara Meyerson at 2:36 pm.

Roll Call
Board Member Attendance
Barbara Meyerson, Chair
Rich Feely, Vice-Chair
Greg Herriman, Treasurer

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

Absent

Unscheduled Public Appearances
None.

Consent Agenda
1. Approve Minutes from the August 19, 2026, Chandler Museum Foundation Executive Subcommittee Meeting.
    - Board Vice-Chair Rich Feely made a motion to approve meeting minutes from August 19, 2026.
    - Board Treasurer Greg Herriman seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously 3-0. The minutes were approved as presented.

Action Agenda

None.

Briefing

2. Initiative Workgroups Presentation – Governance Subcommittee
    - Mr. Feely presented the following workgroup structure to the executive subcommittee:
        - The governance subcommittee suggested that board members be assigned to workgroups based on their areas of interest. Board Member Chris McMullan will be asked if he would like to join the museum advocacy workgroup. Each workgroup would have a maximum of six board members.
        - The workgroups would work through the following subcommittees as needed:
            1. Fundraising strategy – finance subcommittee
            2. Museum advocacy – executive subcommittee
            3. Tumbleweed Ranch – governance subcommittee
            4. Marketing strategy – no assigned subcommittee, Board Member Jacki Ryan would lead
        - KPIs would be developed by each workgroup and tracked in LiveBinder. Each workgroup would present once per quarter at a board meeting, following this schedule:
            1. January – fundraising strategy
            2. February – museum advocacy
            3. March – marketing strategy
            4. Twice a year – Tumbleweed Ranch
        - The workgroup will develop the strategy, and the board will implement the strategy together.
    - It was determined that Mr. Feely would put together a list of instructions and present the idea to the board.
3. Discuss Possibility of Spring Fundraising Event
    - Museum Manager Jody Crago shared that there was not any money set aside for this event from the Chandler Historical Society (CHS). The CHS requested two items: purchase of the temporary exhibit walls and a touchscreen about the CHS, which both occurred. CHS supporters have also been invited to Museum fundraising events.
    - Mr. Feely reviewed that there was money set aside for other purposes in the budget.
    - Mr. Feely suggested that this idea be discussed in the fundraising workgroup. He also shared that if an idea does not align with one of the four strategic workgroups, then it does not fit within the Foundation's strategic priorities and should not be a focus of the Foundation.
4. Schedule Future Executive Subcommittee Meetings

- Mr. Crago shared that staff would like to move the executive subcommittee meetings to Tuesdays on the same weeks and times. The next meeting will be scheduled for Tuesday, October 20 at 2 pm.
- This will be on the action agenda for the next executive subcommittee meeting.

5. Agenda Items for October 6, 2026 Chandler Museum Foundation Board Meeting
    - Consent Agenda – Approve Minutes
    - Initiative Workgroups Presentation
    - Board Chair's Report
    - Museum Manager's Report
6. Museum Manager's Report
    - The CCA gallery will reopen around October 5 for the *Lurking* exhibit opening. Damage to the CCA roof has affected the opening date.
    - The store committee met today. There were suggestions for both store locations, and there will be new items for the holidays.
    - There was an additional water leak in collections storage. It was due to a new problem rather than a repeating issue. Staff are working with facilities to create a pool liner type solution to encourage water to go where it is supposed to go in the event of a leak.
    - The next round of interviews for the Education and Program Coordinator position will be during the first few days of October. There are two local candidates and two out of state candidates. If a candidate is not selected, another search will be initiated.
    - There are two upcoming events:
        - Office of Collecting and Design
        - Our Stories – Dr. Jen Gray will present on Frank Lloyd Wright's Lost Desert Masterpiece. It is being promoted with the Chandler Public Library and Taliesin West.
    - Materials for the Ocatilla cabin construction will arrive and begin next week. This is the first time it will ever be reconstructed. After the exhibition, the cabin will likely be repurposed for other display purposes.
    - For the *Ocatilla* exhibition, there will be Frank Lloyd Wright merchandise and a catalog in the store.

Member Comments

- The executive subcommittee had a positive meeting with the City Manager.

Member Announcements

- Mr. Feely shared that Mr. McMullan is interested in joining the governance subcommittee. Museum Management Assistant Dani Schulze will inform him that he is now a part of the governance subcommittee and the meeting schedule.

Calendar

7. Events and Exhibits Calendar

Adjourn

With no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 pm.

Barbara Meyerson, Chair

Jody Crago, Staff Liaison