

**Meeting Minutes  
BOARD OF MUSEUMS AND HISTORY  
November 30, 2017**

**Location  
Old Overton Gym  
353 West Thomas Street  
Overton, NV 89040**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Robert Stoldal, Chairman  
Bryan Allison  
Dr. Alicia Barber  
Renee Diamond  
Dr. Doris Dwyer  
Robert Ostrovsky  
Seth Schorr  
Anthony Timmons

**BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED**

Dr. Sarah Cowie  
Dan Markoff

**DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENT OF  
CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES STAFF PRESENT**

Peter Barton, Division of Museums and History, Administrator  
Rebecca Palmer, State Historic Preservation Office, State Historic Preservation Officer  
Jim Bertolini, DCNR, State Historic Preservation Office, National and State Register Coordinator \*  
Guy Clifton, Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs, Public Information Officer \*  
Carrie Edlefsen, Division of Museums and History, Administrative Services Officer  
Lauri Brown, Division of Museums and History, Administrative Assistant  
Sarah Bradley, Attorney General's Office, Deputy Attorney General  
Myron Freedman, Nevada State Museum, Carson City, Director \*  
Dr. Catherine McGee, Nevada Historical Society, Director \*  
Jenny Strayer, Lost City Museum, Director  
Ron Webster, Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs, IT Supervisor \*  
Zacharia White, Department of Tourism and Cultural Affairs, IT Technician

**PUBLIC IN ATTENDANCE**

Mayor Van Camp, Ely City Hall & Fire Station, Ely, White Pine County \*  
Nathan Robertson, Ely City Hall & Fire Station, Ely, White Pine County \*  
Peter Goss, Sandstone Ranch/Spring Mountain Ranch, Blue Diamond Vicinity, Clark County  
Ben Van Alstyne, UNLV Anthropology student  
Cary Allison, Morgan Stanley, Financial Advisor \*

\* via teleconference

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1. The Chair called the first day of the meeting to order [stacked agenda] at 10:30am and confirmed a quorum was present and the meeting was posted in accordance with NRS 241. (1,2)

2. The Chair announced that Pete Dubé resigned as a board member. (3)
3. No public comment. (4)
4. The Chair took Item 5a, Acceptance of the Minutes for September 7, 2017. Anthony Timmons made the motion to approve the amended minutes for September 7, 2017. Member Dwyer seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (5a)
5. The Chair took Item 6b, Calendar for Next Meeting. The March 2018 meeting will be held on Friday, March 9, 2018 at a Carson City location TBD. Renee Diamond made the motion that the June quarterly meeting be conducted June 14 and 15, 2018 at the Nevada State Museum, in Las Vegas. Member Dwyer seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (6b)
6. The Chair took Item 7a, Nominations to the State Registers of Historic Places. There were no nominations at this time. (7a)
7. The Chair took Item 7b1, Nominations to the National Register of Historic Places. Fire Stations of Nevada, Multiple Property Documentation Form. Renee Diamond made the motion to accept Fire Stations of Nevada, Multiple Property Documentation Form. Member Timmons seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (7b1)
8. The Chair took Item 7b2, Ely City Hall & Fire Station, Ely, White Pine County. Dr. Dwyer made a motion to accept the Ely City Hall & Fire Station, Ely, White Pine County nomination. Member Barber seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (7b2)
9. The Chair took Item 7b3, Pioche Volunteer Fire House, Pioche, Lincoln County. Anthony Timmons made a motion to accept the Pioche Volunteer Fire House, Pioche, Lincoln County nomination. Member Diamond seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (7b3)
10. The Chair took Item 7b4, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Administration and Cultural Center. Chairman Stoldal made the motion to accept the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints Administration and Cultural Center nomination. Member Ostrovsky seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (7b4)
11. The Chair took Item 7b5, Sandstone Ranch/Spring Mountain Ranch (Additional Documentation and Boundary Increase), Blue Diamond Vicinity, Clark County. Dr. Barber made the motion to accept the Sandstone Ranch/Spring Mountain Ranch (Additional Documentation and Boundary Increase), Blue Diamond Vicinity, Clark County nomination. Member Dwyer seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (7b5)
12. The Chair took Item 8a, Agency Reports, Dept. of Tourism and Cultural Affairs. Claudia Vecchio resigned her position as Department Director effective, November 1, 2017 after being with the department since November 1, 2011. David Peterson, Interim Director, provided a written report that Peter Barton shared with the board. (8a)
13. The Chair took Item 8b1-3, State Historic Preservation Office. Rebecca Palmer reported on the NRHP status update since 2005, Statewide Preservation Plan update 2020-2028 and the Preservation Survey in conjunction with the Statewide Preservation Plan update 2020-2028. Informational only. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (8b1-3)
14. The Chair took Item 8c1-10, Division of Museums and History. Peter Barton reported on the School Bus Transportation Reimbursement program launch; the <http://nvculture.org/museums> web launch; the NV 150 Foundation, Inc., dissolution and distribution of assets, the Battle Born Hall exhibit renewal project; SB 37, 1<sup>st</sup> quarter proceeds of \$53,779.26, *Nevada Magazine* 2018 focus on railroads; 2018 historic calendar; 2018 Travel Nevada Guide advertisement; 2018 *Events & Show* advertisements; SFY 2017 museum attendance review and the DMH personnel report. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (8c1-10)
15. The Chair took Item 8d, Public Information Officer – Guy Clifton. Mr. Clifton reported to the Board about the successful media on the Day of the Dead at the Nevada State Museum in Carson City. The photo exhibit at the Nevada State Museum in Las Vegas got great coverage. (8d)

16. The Chair took Item 8e1a, Nevada Historical Society, Reno, report on the status and future of the NHS *Quarterly*. Catherin McGee reported on the *Quarterly* regarding a possible online version. The winter/fall issue is set to be available March 2018. (8e1a)
17. The Chair took Item 8e1b, Nevada Historical Society, Reno, review and possible action to approve a contract for Independent Contractor Services with Howard Herz in an amount not to exceed \$60,000 for supporting processing of the American Gaming Collection. This item was taken out of order. Dr. Dwyer made the motion to approve the contract for Independent Contractor Services with Howard Herz in an amount not to exceed \$60,000 for supporting processing of the American Gaming Collection. Member Diamond seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (8e1b)
18. The Chair took Item 8e1c, Nevada Historical Society, Reno, notice of intent to dispose through the State Excess Property Program, approximately 500 linear feet of non-accessioned newspapers, which are available on microfilm. Does not require Board action or approval. Discussion was held. No action was taken though the Board generally voice opposition to disposal without exhausting efforts to relocate the original papers. (8e1c)
19. The Chair took Item 8e2, Nevada State Museum, Carson City. Myron Freedman reported on the status of the Coin Press No. 1, including the state of the contract with Asset Marketing, formerly d/b/a New York Mint. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (8e2)
20. The Chair took Item 8e3a, Nevada State Railroad Museum, Carson City. Mr. Barton stated that there was nothing new to report on the V&T Coach No. 17, work continues as previously reported. No action was taken. (8e3a)
21. The Chair took Item 8e3b, Nevada State Railroad Museum, Carson City. Renee Diamond made a motion to approve the contract for Independent Contractor service with Capurro Trucking for moving locomotives from and to the Comstock History Center in Virginia City and Museum, not to exceed \$7,000. Member Dwyer seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (8e3b)
22. The Chair took Item 8e4a, Nevada State Railroad Museum, Boulder City. Mr. Barton updated the board on the status of project 17-A009, master planning and design for expanded visitor facilities at the Nevada State Railroad Museum in Boulder City. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (8e4a)
23. The Chair took Item 8e5a, East Ely Railroad Depot Museum. Mr. Barton stated there nothing new to report to reestablish partnership for sale of site tickets and other matters of mutual benefit. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (8e5a)
24. The Chair took Item 8e6a, Lost City Museum, Overton. This item was taken out of order. Demonstration of 3D imaging of museum objects by museum intern, Benjamin Van Alstyne. Jenny Strayer gave her first report to the board regarding the ongoing issues with the Lost City Museum. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (8e6)
25. The Chair took Item 8e7a, Nevada State Museum, Las Vegas. Sarah Bradley reported on the letter dated November 2, 2017, concerning the Shuffield/LoPresti Family Trust. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (8e7a)
26. The Chair took Item 9a1, Collections Committee. This item was taken out of order. Myron Freedman updated the board on the Agency Project 17-A010, Master Plan and Schematic Design at Indian Hills Curatorial Center. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (9a1)
27. The Chair took Item 9e1, Finance Committee Report. This item was taken out of order. Robert Ostrovsky reported to the Board regarding the Morgan Stanley investments for July-September 2017 and review of quarterly performance. Discussion was held. No action was taken. (9e1)

28. The Chair took Item 9e2, Finance Committee Report. This item was taken out of order. Financial Advisor Cary Allison reported on the current Morgan Stanley Investment Portfolio. Member Ostrovsky made a motion for 61% equities investment and 39% fixed income investments for the Morgan Stanley Investment Portfolio. Member Timmons seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (9e2)
29. The Chair took Item 9e3, Finance Committee Report. This item was taken out of order. Member Ostrovsky reported to the Board the Independent Auditor report and financial statements for the Museum Dedicated Trust Fund for fiscal year ending June 30, 2017. Robert Ostrovsky made the motion to accept the Independent Auditor report and financial statements for the Museum Dedicated Trust Fund for fiscal year ending June 30, 2017 along with the implementation of QuickBooks to tie in with the POS system. Member Diamond seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (9e3)
30. The Chair took Item 9g1, Technology Report. This item was taken out of order. Member Schorr reported on the possible implementation of public Wi-Fi in the State museums. Rob Webster joined in the discussion regarding the intricacies of Wi-Fi with the state system and security issues. Bryan Allison made a motion to compile three bids for Wi-Fi for the NSMCC, NHS, and NSMLV to be presented at the next board meeting in March. Member Ostrovsky seconded. Motion carried without dissent. (9g)
31. The Chair adjourned the first day of the meeting at 4:20pm.