

**MEETEETSE MUSEUM DISTRICT
MINUTES OF THE BOARD
December 13, 2022 Zoom Meeting**

President Larry Todd called the meeting of the Meeteetse Museum board to order at 5:04 p.m. via Zoom.

Roll call: Board members present were Mary Jane Luther, Jim Allen, Lynn Sessions, Lili Turnell, Pam Johnston, and Larry Todd. Interim Director Alex Deselms was present.

Consent Agenda: Pam Johnston moved to approve the consent agenda. Jim Allen seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Citizens Open Forum: Michael Oliver, board elect.

Additions to the Agenda:

New Business:

Snow removal: Alex Deselms put a notice in the bulletin and will mention in the newsletter that the Museum is looking for someone to remove snow as needed, from the sidewalk. We will need to have this done to keep up during the holidays when no one will be in the Museum. Asking at the high school for a student was also suggested.

Christmas decoration take down: Many of the board members expressed availability for this project. Alex Deselms will contact board members in the new year. Alex's parents helped up the decorations and with the Cody Christmas parade. The Museum pickup with Ferret received many shouts of recognition from the crowd.

Farm Bureau Insurance Quote: Lili Turnell received an email from them which did not contain a quote. It suggested the need to increase the value of the policy for all buildings. Lili will contact insurance companies, including the Farm Bureau, asking for quotes. This update will need to be done in January, no later than February.

Ongoing Business:

Development Position: Alex Deselms has redone the post with American Alliance of Museums, highlighting it. A few more resumes have been received. Alex will email them to board members for review.

Foundation documents: Consensus from the board is the documents are very professional. Board members will send individual comments directly to Margaret Baker of the Foundation Board.

Phelps/Belden Agreement: Alex Deselms will visit with Lili Turnell on small changes and consult with the attorney.

Giving Tuesday: This raised \$6000 for the Museum. Good work Alex!

Committee Reports: Strategic Plan

Larry Todd will send out the current plan for board members to review and check off completed items. We will streamline new plan, emphasis on fundraising. Send updated and suggestions to Larry.

For the Good of the Board:

Alex Deselms asked if the board had a write up on Amy Phillips for the newsletter. She hopes to have the newsletter out by the end of the week. Thank you to Pam Johnston for her service as a member of the Museum Board. For newly elected members, please bring your oath of office to the January meeting. Christmas in Meeteetse was a success. Sixty-five people came to the main museum and about 15 visited the

Bank. Thank you to Lili for the wonderful homemade treats for the event. Reminder, gathering at Lili's this Friday.

Mary Jane Luther moved to adjourn the meeting. Pam Johnston seconded the motion. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Adjournment: 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Jane Luther, Secretary
Board of Directors