



Minutes Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board April 7, 2011

Minutes of the Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board recorded at 4 p.m. on April 7, 2011, within the Tempe History Museum Board Room, 809 E. Southern Avenue, Tempe, AZ.

(MEMBERS) Present:

Bob McKinley, Chair
Julie Symopoulos, Vice Chair
Anne Chandler
Betty Enz
Mark Hubble
Angela Lopez
Shirley McKean
Gerald Woodward

City Staff Present:

Dr. Amy Douglass, Administrator - Tempe History Museum
Rachael Peterson, Administrative Assistant - Library and Cultural Services
Adrienne Richwine, Deputy Director - Library and Cultural Services

Guest(s) Present:

None

(MEMBERS) Absent:

None

Meeting convened at 4 p.m.

Bob McKinley, Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board Chair, called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item 1: Consideration of the March 3, 2011, Meeting Minutes

- **MOTION:** Betty Enz moved to approve the March 3, 2011, Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board Meeting Minutes.
- **SECOND:** Gerald Woodward seconded.
- **DECISION:** March 3, 2011, Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board Meeting Minutes approved.

Agenda Item 2: Report - Communications

- Dr. Amy Douglass, Tempe History Museum Administrator, encouraged the Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board (Museum Board) members to attend one of two scheduled Tempe Budget Community Forums. Douglass acknowledged the following forum times, dates and locations:
 - 6 p.m., April 12, South Tempe Police Substation (8201 S. Hardy Drive);
 - 6 p.m., April 19, City Council Chambers (31 E. Fifth Street).

- Dr. Douglass further explained that the City of Tempe is currently planning for balanced operating budgets, as well as looking ahead to ensure future financial stability. Douglass reminded the Museum Board members that they are invited to submit ideas and questions to the City of Tempe via an electronic comment form available at www.tempe.gov/budgetplan.

Agenda Item 3: Petroglyph Conservation Project

- Dr. Amy Douglass, Tempe History Museum Administrator, reminded the Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board (Museum Board) members that there are over 500 Hohokam petroglyphs inscribed into Hayden Butte. Douglass explained that she is working with J. Claire Dean, an internationally-recognized rock art conservator, to survey, monitor, treat, remove and reduce graffiti at Hayden Butte.
- Dr. Douglass affirmed that as a result of the restoration and conservation work of herself and J. Claire Dean, the Hayden Butte petroglyphs continue to be appreciated by all who view them alongside the trail on the south side of Hayden Butte Preserve, also known as Tempe Butte or 'A' Mountain.

Agenda Item 4: Report - Arizona Centennial Planning

- Dr. Amy Douglass, Tempe History Museum Administrator, reported that the Tempe Historic Preservation Foundation, in conjunction with a City of Tempe (City) staff member committee, intends to guide Tempe through its participation in Arizona's Centennial programming and events. Douglass stated that she met with other City of Tempe representatives to address the City's participation in Arizona's Centennial Celebration; Dr. Douglass reported that the City of Tempe Community Relations Department will produce a media package for Tempe-specific Arizona Centennial programming and events that will tie-into Tempe's existing special events.
- Dr. Douglass noted the following proposed Tempe-specific Arizona Centennial-celebrating programming and events:
 - Tempe Fourth of July Celebration;
 - Eisendrath House Dedication;
 - Acknowledgement of the Carl Hayden Campus of Sustainability Amenities (Papago Park, the Sandra Day O'Connor House, the Arizona Historical Museum);
 - Papago Park Signage Plan.
- Dr. Douglass noted that the Tempe History Museum, in conjunction with the Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board's Oral History Subcommittee, may facilitate an Arizona Centennial-celebrating program similar in nature to *Story Corps*, a national project to instruct and inspire people to record each other's stories in sound.
- Dr. Douglass encouraged the Museum Board members to contact her if they'd like to serve as volunteers for Tempe-based Arizona Centennial-celebrating programming and events.

Agenda Item 5: Permanent Amendment of Regular Board Meeting Time

- Bob McKinley, Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board (Museum Board) Chair, initiated a discussion related to the permanent amendment of the regularly-scheduled meeting time of the Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board.

- B. McKinley thanked the Museum Board members for amending their schedules to attend the Museum Board meeting at 4 p.m.; Mark Hubble, Anne Chandler, Angela Lopez, Shirley McKean and Julie Syrmopoulos, Museum Board Vice Chair, stated that they had more flexibility to attend afternoon meetings.
- J. Syrmopoulos reminded the Museum Board members that the morning Museum Board meetings occur during standard work hours and may impact the attendance of existing Museum Board members, as well as discourage other possible members from submitting an application to serve on the Museum Board.
- **MOTION:** **Betty Enz moved to permanently amend the Tempe Historical Museum Board's regularly-scheduled meeting time to occur at 4 p.m. on the first Thursday of every month within the Tempe History Museum Board Room.**
SECOND: **Julie Syrmopoulos seconded.**
DECISION: **Regularly-scheduled meeting time of the Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board permanently amended to reflect a meeting time of 4 p.m. on the first Thursday of every month within the Tempe History Museum Board Room.**

Agenda Item 6A: Report - Double Butte Cemetery Event Committee

- No report.

Agenda Item 6B: Report - Public Programs

- Shirley McKean, Public Programs Representative, acknowledged that the Tempe History Museum (Museum) played host to the following programs and events in March, 2011:
 - Public Opening of *The Finley Boys* Exhibit (March 5, Museum Community Room and Tempe Community Center Complex Courtyard);
 - Live Performance of "Unstoppable Me" by Phoenix Theatre's *Cookie Company* (March 13, Museum Community Room);
 - "Grandma Lives with Us," a Book Reading by Nazli Currim (March 15, Museum Community Room);
 - Storytelling by Stella Pope Duarte, and Discussions of Writings about Growing-up in the Barrio (March 16, Museum Community Room);
 - St. Patrick's Day Storytelling by Peggy Moroney (March 17, Museum Community Room);
 - Discussions of Stories from the Sonoran Desert led by Conrad Storad (March 18, Museum Community Room);
 - Third Thirstday Night Café Book-Signing and Discussion of Judy Moreillon's Book Titled, "Sing Down the Rain," a Collection of Cultural and Spiritual Traditions of the Tohono O'odham (March 17, Museum Community Room);
 - The Arizona Student Film Festival's Screening of Past Winners (March 25, Museum Community Room).
- S. McKean further acknowledged that the Tempe History Museum (Museum) is playing host to the following programs and events in April, 2011:
 - *Classical Revolution PHX: Debut*, Original Music for Chamber Wind Ensemble (7 p.m., April 2, Museum Community Room);

- Third Thirstday Night Café Book-Signing and Discussion of Dean Smith's Book Titled, "Arizona Nuggets," a Collection of Nearly 100 Stories About Arizona's Colorful Past (7 p.m., April 21, Museum Community Room).
- Anne Chandler inquired about the sale of "Arizona Nuggets" within the Tempe History Museum's Gift Shop; Dr. Amy Douglass, Tempe History Museum Administrator, affirmed that D. Smith's book is available for purchase within the Tempe History Museum's Gift Shop.

Agenda Item 6C: Report - Policy, Procedures and Accessions (P.P.A.) Committee

- Anne Chandler, Policy, Procedures and Accessions (P.P.A.) Committee Representative, presented the Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board (Museum Board) members with a statistics report compiled by Josh Roffler, Curator of Collections at the Tempe History Museum.
- A. Chandler reported that the Tempe History Museum (Museum) received 17 current, provisional deposits in March, 2011. Chandler further noted that there are 16 new acquisitions and two (2) new loans.
- A. Chandler acknowledged the following provisional deposits:
 - Tempe Sports Items donated by Harry Mitchell;
 - Tempe Guest Book and Diplomas donated by the Arizona Historical Foundation;
 - Bible from the *Petersen House* donated by Bob Hodges;
 - Roosevelt Dam Centennial Items donated by Dr. Amy Douglass.
- A. Chandler reported the following new acquisitions:
 - Records from *Montis La Casa Vieja Restaurant* donated by the Arizona Historical Foundation;
 - Tempeco Produce Cart donated by Nancy Parlova;
 - *Petersen House* Furnishings donated by Donna Welch Guelich;
 - Washing Machine and Photos donated by Judy Reiner;
 - Frank Kush Whiskey Bottle donated by Jeff Pinney;
 - Jan Young Book donated by Janella Fulmer;
 - Jan Young Camera and Two (2) Prints donated by Frederick P. Mangogna;
 - Photographs of Tempe Scenes and Jan Young donated by Dick George;
 - Horseshoes from Downtown Tempe donated by Stu Siefer;
 - Mill Avenue Architecture Class Project donated by Mary Gavigan;
 - Hayden Flour Sack donated by Lana Huggo;
 - Toys used in Tempe during the 1950s donated by Mark Miller.
- A. Chandler described the following new loans:
 - (Incoming Loan No. JS032311) Canteen and Army Cup for *Surviving in the Desert* Display;
 - (Outgoing Loan No. TFD032511) Firefighting Items Installed in Tempe Fire Department's Support Center.
- A. Chandler further noted the following:
 - All paintings borrowed for the *Tom Harter: Picturing Change in Tempe* exhibit have been returned to their owners (with the exception of one painting that is scheduled to be returned on April 8);
 - Collections Area staff and volunteers have installed a display of firefighting artifacts in the new Tempe Fire Department Support Facility;

- Collections Area staff and volunteers continue to catalog and scan the *Jan Young Photograph Collection*;
- A Policy, Procedures and Accessions (P.P.A.) Committee meeting is scheduled to take place on April 21.

Agenda Item 6D: Report - Tempe Historic Preservation Commission

- Shirley McKean, Tempe Historic Preservation Commission Representative, reported that she attended a Tempe Historic Preservation Commission (Commission) meeting on March 10, 2011; S. McKean stated that the Commission discussed two (2) *Tempe Historic Property Register* applications. McKean acknowledged the following property applications:
 - 1933 Lucier/O'Neill Residence, 1114 S. Maple;
 - 1920 Windes/Bell Residence, 24 W. 9TH Street.
- S. McKean explained that the Commission has two (2) vacancies; S. McKean added that the Commission hopes to fill one (1) vacancy with a Tempe Community Member At-Large, as well as to fill the remaining vacancy with an individual who currently serves the public in a historic profession.
- S. McKean added that the Commission discussed proposed historic markers to be placed at historic property sites throughout Tempe.

Agenda Item 6E: Report - Tempe Historical Society

- Betty Enz, Tempe Historical Society member, reminded the Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board (Museum Board) members that the Tempe History Museum, in conjunction with the Tempe Historical Society, played host to *The Finley Boys* BBQ on March 4. Enz acknowledged that approximately 100 people attended the BBQ.
- B. Enz reported that she attended a City of Tempe Boards and Commissions recognition reception, as well as the dedication ceremony of the Sandra Day O'Connor House on March 8 on the grounds of the Arizona Historical Museum and Sandra Day O'Connor House. Enz stated that the reception was well-attended, and that the dedication ceremony did feature a guest appearance by the honorable Sandra Day O'Connor.
- B. Enz further reported that the Tempe History Museum played host to a lunch talk event sponsored by the Tempe Historical Society on March 9 within the Museum's Community Room. Enz stated that she enjoyed the event, and explained that Adair Landborn discussed the cultural practices of Flamenco dance and Spanish bullfighting.
- B. Enz encouraged the Museum Board members to attend the following events sponsored by the Tempe Historical Society:
 - Lunch Talk: Songs of the Revolution, the Mexican Revolution's Music and Muralism (11:30 a.m., April 13, Museum Community Room);
 - Third Thirstday Night Café Book-Signing and Discussion of Dean Smith's Book Titled, "Arizona Nuggets," a Collection of Nearly 100 Stories About Arizona's Colorful Past (7 p.m., April 21, Museum Community Room).
- B. Enz announced that the Tempe History Museum will play host to the Tempe Historical Society's annual luncheon at 11:30 a.m. on May 7 within the Tempe History Museum's Community Room.

Agenda Item 6F: Report - Diversity Awareness Committee

- Julie Symopoulos, Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board (Museum Board) Vice Chair and Diversity Awareness Committee representative, announced that several of Tempe's Artists of the Black Community were featured in an *Arizona Informant* news article titled, "Tempe Celebrates Black History in Style." Symopoulos distributed the news article to the Museum Board members for review.
- Dr. Amy Douglass, Tempe History Museum (Museum) Administrator reported that members of Tempe's African American Advisory Board participated in a discussion panel on Feb. 17 at Desert Vista High School. Douglass explained that the panel members addressed life as African Americans in the 1960s and 1970s, and answered questions from student groups.
- Dr. Douglass reminded the Museum Board members that Jared Smith, Curator of History at the Museum, continues to revive an existing grant-funded project to generate a 26-page booklet reflecting African American History in Tempe.

Agenda Item 6G: Report - Oral History Committee

- Bob McKinley, Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board (Museum Board) Chair and Oral History Committee Chair, reported that the Oral History Committee met on March 4; B. McKinley further reported that Jared Smith, Curator of History at the Tempe History Museum (Museum), continues to familiarize himself with the Museum's Oral History Collection, specifically the location of tapes, transcripts, inventories, equipment, policies and procedures. McKinley added that J. Smith is working to complete pending history transcriptions.
- B. McKinley reported that Susan Jensen, Oral History Program Volunteer, is also working to complete pending transcriptions and has recently completed a transcription of an interview with Tom Simplot.
- B. McKinley announced that J. Smith is working with the City of Tempe Purchasing Department to procure a new Dictaphone transcription machine for the Oral History Program.
- B. McKinley further reported that three (3) volunteer oral historians are currently active within the Oral History Program; B. McKinley acknowledged the following program membership:
 - Lorraine Calbow;
 - Peggy Moroney;
 - Bob McKinley.

Agenda Item 7 - Board Member Announcements

- No announcements.

Agenda Item 8 - Future Agenda Items

- No future agenda items requested.

The next meeting of the Tempe Historical Museum Advisory Board is scheduled to take place at 4 p.m. on May 5 within the Tempe History Museum Board Room, 809 E. Southern Avenue, Tempe, AZ, 85282.

Meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

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Bob McKinley, Chair
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