



Minutes Manitoba Crafts Museum and Library Annual General Meeting

Saturday, March 25, 2023, 10:00 am
Held in-person and via Zoom 10:00am

Present: Andrea Reichert, Judith Huebner, Emma Hill Kepron, Brad Wolfe, Patty Sauder, Amanda Harding, Risé Thompson, Debra Glenn, Stephanie Cooper, Janet Carrol, Heather Meiklejohn, Susan Styrchak, Sabrina Janke, Nancy Anderson
Proxy: Susanne Sulkers, Virginia Toni, Caley Dyck, Marieke Gruwel, Tammy Sutherland, Janet Napier

1. Welcome & Introductions

Co-president Judith Huebner welcomes everyone. Quorum has been reached.

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda: Brad Wolfe, seconded by Risé Thompson. Carried.

3. Approval of Minutes of 2022 Annual General Meeting

Motion to Approve the Minutes of the 2022 AGM, with spelling error corrected: Patty Sauder, seconded by Stephanie Cooper. Passed.

4. Waiver of Auditor for 2023

Andrea Reichert advised that because MCML has a small enough budget, an auditor is not required for 2022. Motion to waive the auditor for 2022: Amanda Harding, seconded by Brad Wolfe. Carried.

5. Financial Report

a. Approval of 2022 Financial Report

Andrea Reichert presented the 2022 report noting that it was a busy year for grants and projects. She explained that the apparent deficit in revenue is due to the timing of the Delza Longman bequest, which went into the endowment. Motion to approve the 2021 financial report: Sabrina Janke, seconded by Amanda Harding. Carried.

b. Presentation of the 2023 Budget

Andrea Reichert presented the proposed 2023 budget. This is for information only, as it has already be approved by the Board. Andrea explained that the Winnipeg Heritage Fund will be larger than projected and expenses should remain static. Judith Huebner recognized and thanked Andrea for her success in writing grants.

6. Presentation and Approval of 2023 Annual Report

Andrea Reichert presented some of the key highlights included in the 2023 Annual Report that was circulated to members. Most exhibits now get video tours and the we have created more online content which has been well received. The Made in the Middle sale was extremely successful. We have received some donations from contemporary artists and the Heritage Fund

continues to grow. The C2 Shop continues to be steady and successful. We were able to have a volunteer appreciation event again this year after a Covid hiatus. Upcoming exhibits include a partnership with the Costume Institute, Winnipeg 150, and a celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Winnipeg Embroiderer's Guild. Going forward we are hoping to obtain more items from contemporary and BIPOC artists. EDI is a focus of our strategic plan. Risé commented on the success of the Made in the Middle Sale. Motion to approve the 2022 Annual Report: Amanda Harding, seconded by Risé Thompson

7. Election of Directors

Andrea Reichert outlined where all board members are in their respective terms. Marieke Gruwel and Judith Huebner continue as co-Presidents, Emma Hill Kepron remains as Secretary and Rob Shaw agreed to do another term as Member-at-Large. Sabrina Janke, Brad Wolfe, and Cynthia Boehm to continue their terms as Members-at-Large. The position of Treasurer remains vacant. Motion to approve the current slate of board members: Patty Sauder, seconded by Brad Wolfe. Andrea Reichert made three calls to the floor for nominations. None arising. Individuals listed above are elected and the motion carried.

8. Issues to Discuss

a. Future Planning

A new online registration system for memberships and registration will be launched in the upcoming year. This will help with communication and engagement.

b. EDI Work at MCML

Much EDI work is still to be done and is a major focus of our strategic plan. We are working on measureable goals in this regard and wish to see more diversity reflected on the board. Accessibility of the C2 space and training for staff will also be looked at this year.

c. Heritage Trust Fund

Andrea Reichert reported that we are less than \$10,000 away from our fundraising goal. The Delza Longman bequest has now all been received. Government matching of funds may still be coming.

d. Member Concerns

Janet Carroll, thanks the Board and Andrea for all the work this year. Patty Sauder asked if MCML would be taking in more contemporary weaving pieces Andrea stated we have a list of contemporary artists from several disciplines that we would like pieces from. We are working on getting more recent work. Stephanie Cooper also gave thanks for maintaining a "vibrant, relevant, heritage organization".

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn at 10:54, Brad Wolfe. Carried.

