

Minutes

Manitoba Crafts Museum and Library

Annual General Meeting

Date: Saturday, March 23, 10am

Location: C2 Centre for Craft and Zoom

Attendees:

Judith Huebner, Marieke Gruwel, Sabrina Janke, Lise Brown, Andrea Reichert, Nancy Anderson, Janet Carroll, Stephanie Cooper, Tammy Sutherland, Ginny Toni, Sheri Turner, Ida Smith, Susanne Sulkers, Heather Meiklejohn, Caley Dyck, Theresa Shaw, Leah Gertzen, Danielle Unett, Jude Yallowega, Jo-Anne Trabachuk,

1. Welcome & Introductions

- Judith welcomed all attendees.

2. Land Acknowledgement

- Judith made the land acknowledgement.

3. Approval of Agenda

- **Motion:** Marieke, seconded by Nancy Anderson. **Passed.**

4. Approval of Minutes of 2024 Annual General Meeting

- **Motion:** Sabrina, seconded by Lise. **Passed.**

5. Waiver of Auditor for 2025

- **Motion:** Lise, seconded by Marieke. **Passed.**

6. Financial Report

a. Approval of 2024 Financial Report

- **Document:** MB Crafts Museum & Library – DRAFT 2024 Financial Statements

- **Presentation:** Lise presented the year-end report, highlighting the budget's positive position, full repayment of the CIBA loan, and new continuing funding from Shirley Anne Richardson. A small surplus was noted.
- **Acknowledgement:** Judith thanked Andrea for her skill and success in grant writing.
- **Motion:** Lise, seconded by Sabrina. **Passed.**

b. Presentation of the 2025 Budget

- **Document:** 2025 MCML Budget Final
- **Presentation:** Lise presented the 2025 budget, noting its similarity to the previous year's budget and an increase in membership positively impacting the bottom line. The budget was already approved by the board.

7. Presentation and Approval of 2024 Annual Report

- **Document:** Annual Report 2024
- **Presentation:** Andrea highlighted key points from the annual report, including the Lupa ay Buhay exhibit, 48% increase in membership, and various successful projects and events. She acknowledged the contributions of volunteers and funders.
- **Acknowledgement:** Stephanie Cooper congratulated Andrea, the board, and volunteers on their achievements.
- **Motion:** Marieke, seconded by Janet Carroll. **Passed.**

8. Election of Directors

- Andrea made the call for prospective board members three times. There are three prospective board members, with one more spot available.

9. Issues to Discuss

a. Future Planning

- Upcoming summer exhibit featuring Inuit work.
- Fall exhibit focusing on magnification of items.
- Continued public programming and membership outreach.
- Outreach to universities and RRC about the library and collections.
- Review of the strategic plan next year.
- Two ongoing fundraisers, an event at the end of April, a raffle, and a trivia night in the fall.
- "Made in the Middle" confirmed for November.

b. EDI Work at MCML

- Newcomer programming, partially funded.

- Planned school programming for northern schools, remotely.
- Indigenous summer exhibit and continued work on indigenous collections.

c. Member Concerns

- Marieke acknowledged Andrea's work and congratulated everyone.
- Andrea thanked and acknowledged partners at the Craft Council.
- Tammy from the Craft Council expressed gratitude for the partnership.
- Judith thanked her co-chair Marieke and other board members.

10. Adjournment

- **Motion:** Sabrina. **Time:** 10:37 AM.