

**Arizona Historical Society
Northern Chapter
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
October 5, 2022**

Location: Pioneer Museum, 2340 N. Ft. Valley Rd., Flagstaff, AZ 86001

Call to Order: 3:32 PM Presiding: Mary Vasquez Powell

Roll Call taken by Recording Secretary: Gwen Groth

Board Members	Present	Absent	Excused
Johnny Anaya	X		
Corky Baca			S
Voie Coy			X
Desirae Barquin	X		
Gwen Groth	X		
Marilyn Hammarstrom	X		
Pat Loven	X		
Mary Lou Morrow	X		
Mary Vasquez-Powell	X		
Brett Woods	X		
Jesse Dominguez	X		
Staff			
David Breeckner	X		
Kyle Morey	x		

The meeting was called to order at 3:32 PM
Roll call was held and a quorum was present.

Discussion and approval of minutes from September 2, 2021:

- Marilyn Hammarstrom made the motion to approve the meeting minutes, Mary Lou Morrow seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Introduction of guests:

- Duffie Westheimer, Tom Rose and Peter Runge

Museum/AHS update: David Breeckner, Executive Director:

- David welcomed everyone back and gave background information on himself and his mission in his role within AHS.
- Update was provided on the hiring of staff at Pioneer – seven people have been offered the position of Operations Manager and all have declined with salary and cost of living being the greatest barriers. Discussion was held by all with various suggestions. Gwen suggested a partnership with the City of Flagstaff for a “gateway to the Grand Canyon” visitor center might be possible. Marilyn noted it might be helpful to offer an informational packet to applicants in the beginning of the conversation to help them understand Flagstaff.

- Discussion was held on the legislative budget and how the additional funds were used.
- AHS is sending staff up to open the museum two or three days a week. Discussion was held on how to promote the “open days” and how volunteers might be utilized to help with answering questions about Flagstaff and local history.
- David outlined several of the projects being done in and around the museum. Tom Rose provided additional information on projects in progress and supplies that have already been purchased. Tom noted that much of the work can be done with volunteers. It was suggested that a small committee put together a list of needs. Suggested members are Tom Rose, Pat Loven and Joe Meehan.
- David gave an update on the artifacts and will continue to provide information on deaccessioning.
- David gave an update on his work to streamline budgets and restrict funds more transparently.

Introduction of Kyle Morey, Development Director

- Kyle is excited to raise funds for the Arizona Historical Society.
- Members cautioned that Flagstaff donors want to be certain their dollars stay in Flagstaff.
- Members suggested that fundraising in Flagstaff is not appropriate until Pioneer Museum is staffed and open regularly, without interruption.
- Kyle will continue to communicate and work with members on the best path forward.

Next meeting: To be determined – notice to be emailed

Adjournment:

Motion Proposed: Desirae Barquin

Seconded: Mary Lou Morrow

Date of Adjournment: 10/5/2022

Time of Adjournment: 4:55 PM