

THE FRIENDS OF THE MARKHAM MUSEUM BOARD
Meeting No. 21
Mount Joy Administration Building, Markham Museum
Wednesday, May 2, 2012 – 5 p.m.

In Attendance:	Regrets:
John Buie, Chair	
Bob Baird	
Debbie Wong	
Martha Mingay	
Randy Barber	
Edmund Li	
Carolina Moretti	
Charlotte Schickedanz	
Ardy Reid	
Bill Crothers	
Doug Worsley	
<i>Ex Officio</i>	
Cathy Molloy, Museum Director	
John Ryerson, Director of Culture	
Staff: Matthew Wright (Recording Secretary)	

1. CALL TO ORDER & OPENING REMARKS

The meeting of the Friends of Markham Museum Board was called to order at 5:09 p.m. with J. Buie presiding as Chair.

The Chair welcomed the Board of Directors and gave a brief overview of how the meetings work for the new members. Each Board member then went on to introduce themselves to the new members. The Chair expressed his appreciation for those that were able to attend the Annual General Meeting.

2. REGRETS

Nil.

3. DECLARATIONS

Nil.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF MEETING

Moved by R. Barber

Seconded by M. Mingay,

THAT the minutes of the Friends of Markham Museum meeting on March 7, 2012 be approved as amended. **Carried. (4.1)**

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

The Chair mentioned that the Friends' website had been created and is live, courtesy of M. Wright.

6. ADDITIONS / CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Nil.

7. DIRECTOR'S REPORT - C. Molloy

C. Molloy presented a report (Attachment A).

Moved by C. Moretti

Seconded by B. Crothers,

THAT the Board accept the Director's Report.

Carried. (7.1)

8. SECRETARY'S REPORT – M. Mingay

M. Mingay presented the Draft Executive Slate (Attachment B).

Moved by M. Mingay

Seconded by C. Moretti,

THAT the Friends of the Markham Museum Board accept the slate of executives and committees as amended.

Carried. (8.1)

9. TREASURER'S REPORT – D. Wong

D. Wong updated the Board about the current financial situation. There is approximately \$78,000 in the bank as of April 30; though once reconciled, it will be at \$89,000. The Foundation is waiting for a transfer from the Town of about \$15,000.

10. Committee Reports

a) Executive Committee

The Chair mentioned that the last meeting of the Executive Committee took place on April 25th, at which they did a follow-up review of the AGM; reviewed Gala preparations; prepared an Executive Slate for nomination; prepared the Board's Committees; discussed the purchase of Museum jackets and finalized the agenda for the May Board Meeting.

The Chair wished to formally thank M. Wright for his work on the website, and said he has been a significant help to the Development Committee in particular. C. Molloy reminded the Board that M. Wright volunteers his time outside of Museum hours to the Foundation.

The Chair continued with his recap of the Executive Committee meeting and that they recommended that the Children's Garden project move forward.

Moved by M. Mingay

Seconded by E. Li,

THAT the Children's Garden project go forward with B. Baird assuming the role of Project Manager with authority to commit funds previously approved..

Carried. (10.1)

B. Baird spoke briefly on his review of the final design, and that he is working on a breakdown of the cost elements. He is figuring out how to best make use of volunteers versus contractors. He stated that Dan Jones of the Museum's staff has been a very big help.

C. Molloy and the Chair shared that they attended a recognition ceremony & tea in celebration of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. The Museum and various volunteers received recognition for their recent community work.

R. Barber attended a meeting of the Rotary Club on behalf of the Friends, at which they presented a cheque for \$2000 to the Foundation.

b) Museum Collections Committee

B. Baird informed the Board that at the last meeting they had more discussions on the roles and responsibilities of the Collections Committee. Further information to come.

c) Development Committee

M. Mingay reported that the gala was approaching, and that the banner had gone up on the side of the Collections Buildings. M. Mingay then informed the new Board members on the event and gave an update on sponsors and ticket sales.

M. Mingay announced that the Foundation had been granted ArtsVest approval for \$8000, with another \$8000 provided by local sponsors. This money will fund the Museum's new exhibitions, to open in June. The Chair reported that the Museum received one of the highest amounts from the ArtsVest grant.

d) Volunteer Committee

No report.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

- a) The Honourable James Moore, Minister of Canadian Heritage and MP Paul Calandra visited the Museum on April 11 to make announcements on \$20 million in Arts funding for the Greater Toronto Area.

12. BOARD EDUCATION

- a) C. Molloy presented on the history and recent achievements of the Museum for the benefit of the new Board members, then answered questions.
- b) The Chair educated the new Board members on how the Foundation operates and how it relates to the Museum.

13. NEXT MEETING

The next scheduled meeting of the Friends of Markham Museum Board will be held on Wednesday, June 6 at 5 p.m. at Markham Museum in the Mount Joy Board Room.

14. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by B. Baird

Seconded by D. Wong,

THAT the May 2, 2012 meeting of the Friends of Markham Museum Board be adjourned

Carried. (14.1)

The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.