



**CITY OF BIRMINGHAM
MUSEUM BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, July 13, 2017
5:30 PM**

Members Present: James Cunningham, Russ Dixon, Lori Eaton, Judith Keefer, Tina Krizanic, Marty Logue, Caitlin Rosso

Student Members Present: None

Members Absent: None

Administration: Museum Director Leslie Pielack

Guests: None

Appointment of Temporary Chair

Mr. Dixon was appointed temporary chair by consensus and called the meeting to order at 5:32 PM.

Election of Chair

Tina Krizanic was nominated by Marty Logue as Chair. There were no other nominees. The board proceeded with the vote to approve Tina Krizanic as Chair of the Museum Board for 2017/2018.

VOTE: Yeas, 7
Nays, 0

**Approval of the Minutes
Minutes of June 15, 2017**

MOTION: by Dixon, seconded by Cunningham:

To approve the minutes of June 15, 2017, as amended.

VOTE: Yeas, 7
Nays, 0

Announcements

None.

Unfinished Business

A. Members walked the museum grounds to view the landscape and review priorities. The four transition zones-heritage area near buildings on upper level, Rouge floodplain and corridor west of Allen House and lawn, pool and pond area, and transition zone midway between pool and along historic stone fence-were considered. Further discussion included priorities regarding museum mission and public access (including barrier-free access) restoration or remediation of the native landscape, and education/interpretation concerns. The board consensus was that the pool/pond area is a top priority for preservation and interpretation. Historic landscape architect/designer Brian Devlin will be attending the Museum Board meeting on August 3 to review board priorities and discuss concept designs for the landscape. City of Birmingham Parks Manager Carrie Laird will be attending the meeting as well to provide orientation to the process the parks department is undertaking to develop their master plan, and how city initiatives might intertwine with museum park planning.

New Business

None.

Communication and Reports

- A. Joint Bicentennial Book Committee Report-none at this time.
- B. Museum Director Pielack provided her report to the commission on the update of the museum strategic plan in lieu of a Director Report. The Allen House siding RFP received two bids that are in review.
- C. There were no member comments.
- D. There were no public comments.

Ms. Krizanic adjourned the meeting at 7:01 p.m.