

BOARD MEETING

Monday, August 9, 2021 at 7:00 pm
Meeting conducted virtually

MINUTES

Present: EXECUTIVE: Patricia Wallace, Alan Lambert, Geoff Dawe.

DIRECTORS: Ronen Grunberg, Jan Stainer-White, Michelle Primeau, Dan McGeown, Martin Paivio.

Regrets: Kathleen Vahey, Curator (absent)

1. **CALLED TO ORDER: 7:03 p.m.**

President, Patricia Wallace welcomed everyone to the virtual Board meeting and called it to order.

2. **DECLARATION OF ANY CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** None.

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

MOTION: 2021-AHS-050

Moved by Dan McGeown. Seconded by Al Lambert: THAT the Agenda be approved as circulated.
CARRIED.

4. **APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: July 12, 2021:**

MOTION: 2021-AHS-051

Moved by Dan McGeown. Seconded by Ronen Grunberg: THAT the Minutes of July 12, 2021 be approved as circulated. **CARRIED**

5. **AURORA FACTOID:**

- Ronan requests to move his presentation to the next meeting due to technical glitch.

6. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT- Patricia Wallace:**

- The Board Workshop re the strategic plan is being postponed until 2022 due the heavy workload of the Executive this fall.
- We are in receipt of the request for budget re-affirmation with Town of Aurora. This is due September 19, 2021 with the presentation to Council scheduled for November 15th.
- The September Board meeting will be in-person unless circumstances change.
- Condo development Agreement status – with the lawyers for fine tuning.

7. **TREASURER'S REPORT- Geoff Dawe**

- See written report

MOTION: 2021-AHS-053

Moved by Michelle Primeau, second by Dan McGeown: That the July Statements, P&L and Balance Sheet, be received for information. **CARRIED.**

8. CURATOR'S REPORT- Kathleen Vahey

- See written Report

Highlights Noted

- Rental of grounds for Yoga classes
- Current open hours -Tuesday to Saturday 10-4pm – call to book tours
- Need Harvest Tea Volunteers – email Kathleen to help out
- Looking for suggestions for the Gift shop - Jan Stainer-White has volunteered to assist.

Action Items:

1. Advise Kathleen if you are available to assist with the Harvest Tea

9. RESTORATION WORKING GROUP- ALAN LAMBERT

- See written report.

Highlights Noted:

- Front Porch restorations was able to begin earlier than expected and work is now underway

10. LANDSCAPE REPORT- JOHN BARE

- See written report.

Highlights Noted:

- Many plants removed and potted for replanting after front porch is completed
- Will also update some plants and redo landscaping with heritage plant varieties

11. COACH HOUSE

- Coach House – Patricia met with Mel Shakespeare of Tradition Homes for possible interest. He is a highly regarded industry professional. He expressed that there are few usable boards for his purpose and felt the structure could not be rebuilt to code without significant replacement materials. Very costly. Not a viable project. Would be willing to put that opinion in writing, if requested, to aid the AHS in moving forward
- Working on an offer with Priestly Salvage yard to purchase and repurpose the Coach House materials. Verbal offer is \$12,000, including removal. Formal offer to follow.

MOTION: 2021-AHS-052

Moved by Patricia Wallace, second by Dan McGeown: That should a bonified offer from PDI be received in the amount of \$12,000 including removal that AHS accepts the offer. **CARRIED.**

12. FUNDRAISING

Scotch Tasting

- Need to sell more tickets
- Email will be forwarded to Board members to send along to their contacts

HHB

- See written report
- Please continue your efforts to secure sponsors
- Please sign up Cortney to contact businesses re. auction items

MOTION: 2021-AHS-054

Moved by Michelle Primeau, second by Al Lambert: That Curator's Report, Restoration Working Group Report, Landscape Report, Coach House Report, Fundraising Report be received. **CARRIED.**

13. NEW BUSINESS

- Jan Stainer-White advised she has resigned from her Board Position at Devonshire Place
- Michelle to advise Trevor Redvers that we are not interested in the Tennis Court netting
- Upcoming - Discuss plan for Landscaping and volunteers for after Coach House removal

14. ADJOURNMENT – 8:28 p.m.

MOTION: 2021-AHS-055

Moved by Al Lambert second by Ronen Grunberg THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:28pm
CARRIED.

15. NEXT MEETINGS:

Mon., September 13, 2021 (in person)