



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, March 17, 2022 | 11:30–1:30 pm  
Galt Museum & Archives, Learning Studio

Present: Vic Mensch, Gerald Heibert, Heather Oxman, Devon Smither, Wilma Spear Chief, Glenn Coulter, Dennis Fitzpatrick (by phone), Bob Hamilton (by phone), Darrin Martens, Mel Mpofo, Hilary Squires, Rebecca Wilde, Janae Redgrave

Absent: Avice DeKolver, Jesse Sadlowski

1. Call to Order: 11:45 am by Vic Mensch

1.1. Acknowledgement Statement

2. Approval of Agenda

**Motion by Heather Oxman to approve the Agenda as circulated, seconded by Gerald Heibert. CARRIED**

3. Consent Agenda

3.1. February 17, 2022 Minutes

**Motion by Devon Smither to approve the February 17, 2022 Minutes as amended, seconded by Gerald Heibert. CARRIED**

3.2. Business Arising from the Minutes

- None.

4. Action Agenda

4.1. CEO's Report

- On Friday, April 22 the Galt will be gifted a tipi. We are working with an Elder and Knowledge Keeper. More information is to come.
- Blackfoot Naming Ceremony on Monday, April 25 at 1:00. This will take place outdoors near the stone markings. Invitations will be distributed soon. Board members are encouraged to attend.
- Rebecca Wilde presented on current and upcoming activities related to her work with the Education programs.
- Janae Redgrave shared the highlights of her recent and upcoming work in Community Programming.
- Mel shared highlights from the 2021 financial statements.

**Motion by Heather Oxman to accept the CEO's report, seconded by Devon Smither. CARRIED**

4.2. Chair's Report

- Vic expressed appreciation for being kept updated on the recent goings on through Darrin's report.

**Motion by Heather Oxman that all programs, events and activities organized by the Galt Museum & Archives at Fort Whoop-Up shall be alcohol free. Seconded by Gerald Heibert. CARRIED**

**Motion by Devon Smither that those who identify as Indigenous shall be granted free admission to the Galt Museum & Archives and Fort Whoop-Up. Seconded by Gerald Heibert. CARRIED**

**Motion by Heather Oxman that \$17,500 from the Galt's Annual Giving Campaign deferred revenue account be transferred to the 2022 operational budget for accessibility upgrades to the institution. Seconded by Devon Smither. CARRIED**

**Motion by Heather Oxman that \$5,500 from the Galt's Annual Giving Campaign deferred revenue account be transferred to the 2022 operational budget for the purchase of a painted tipi for ceremonial use by the Galt Museum & Archives. Seconded by Wilma Spear Chief. CARRIED**

**Motion by Heather Oxman that \$6,000 from the Galt's Annual Giving Campaign deferred revenue account be transferred to the 2022 operational budget for the purchase of equipment for Fort Whoop-Up. Seconded by Gerald Heibert. CARRIED**

**Motion by Gerald Heibert that \$7,000 from BAU 631-109 (Fort 150 Anniversary Event) be reallocated to fund Blackfoot videos for Fort Whoop-Up. Seconded by Devon Smither. CARRIED**

**Motion by Gerald Heibert that the Galt Museum & Archives Board of Directors approves the Budget Pressure Schedule for 2023–2026 as presented. Seconded by Devon Smither. CARRIED**

**Motion by Vic Mensch to accept the Chair's report, seconded by Wilma Spear Chief. CARRIED**

5. Reports

5.1. Committee Reports

- None.

5.2. Friends of the Galt Museum & Archives

- AGM is Friday, March 25 on Zoom. Access can be requested at [friends@galtmuseum.com](mailto:friends@galtmuseum.com)
- The Endowment Fund's value increased by \$10,221 in the last year. The current balance is \$117,171.35.
- Funding was recently approved to provide \$9,600 for printing of Blackfoot Language workbooks and flash cards; \$4,000 for the newcomer outreach program (startup and future execution) with a \$2,000 ongoing commitment; and \$6,000 towards generation of new history-related videos. This totals \$19,600.

- The Friends learned this week that a major funder that they'd been hopeful about has declined the submission at this time. Glenn will follow up with the organization to learn why it was unsuccessful.
- Interviewed by the Herald this week about the Friends' activities in the community.

**Motion by Heather Oxman to accept the Friends report, seconded by Devon Smither. CARRIED**

5.3. Round Table

- Funicular concept continues to be of interest. This can be discussed further at the next meeting.

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6. In camera

- Motion by Devon Smither to go in camera at 1:10, seconded by Heather Oxman.
- Motion by Heather Oxman to come out of in camera at 1:40, seconded by Devon Smither.

7. Upcoming meeting: Thursday, April 21, 2022

8. Adjournment

**Motion by Gerald Heibert to adjourn the meeting at 1:42.**