

## Board Meeting Summary – May 2, 2020

The MAS Board of Directors held a board meeting on May 2, 2020. The meeting was held virtually via Zoom.

Key results of the May meeting were:

- The Ends Report was presented by Wendy Fitch, Executive Director.
- The Museums Advisor, Sarah Durham is completing a 'Tip Sheet' style document of Recommendations and Considerations for reopening their museums. This should be completed and made available to members within the next week or two.
- CMA's Museums on the Hill advocacy event was cancelled due to the pandemic.
- The Audit Committee meeting should be scheduled within the next two weeks.
- MAS has decided to host weekly virtual gatherings for members Wednesdays at 10am. The first chat took place April 1<sup>st</sup> and was attended by over 60 individuals. The chat is simply an opportunity for members to connect with one another and with MAS staff; share ideas, concerns and information.
- It was decided that a membership survey was required to begin to determine the affect the COVID-19 pandemic is having on Saskatchewan museums. The survey was sent April 4 with a closing date of April 15. We received 43 responses from a variety of members of varying sizes and locations.
- SaskCulture Board announced that we will receive a 1.5% increase (\$589,000) in AGF funding for the next 3 years however because of the COVID-19 pandemic which has negatively affected the lotteries, year 2 and 3 could be affected. Rose Gilks, Chief Executive Officer of SaskCulture will be retiring this summer and Dean Kush, currently Associate Chief Executive has been hired to replace her.
- The Board approved the proposed bylaw revisions presented to take to the membership to be voted on.
- A consultant will be contacted to go ahead with an ED Review, creating framework and supporting materials.
- After some discussion it was decided to hold the annual AGM virtually, using Zoom. It will be held on June 19<sup>th</sup> at 10am.

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