The MAS Board of Directors held a board/orientation meeting on July 27-28, 2018. The meeting was held at Wascana Centre & Government House in Regina.

Key results of the July meeting were:

• The first full day was devoted to Board Orientation. The morning session included presentations by all the staff. The afternoon included a review of the Lottery System, a session on UNDRIP led by Teresa Carlson and Wendy Fitch and a discussion on the feedback from the 2018 Conference & AGM in Humboldt.

• The second day was devoted to the Board Meeting.

• The Ends Report was submitted and reviewed.

• The Dept. of Canadian Heritage has been in the process of reviewing all of their museum programs for the past several months with the assistance of CMA. Three museum needs discussion groups were created as a means for consulting with provincial associations. The three discussion groups are: Museums & Digitization, Indigenous Issues, and Diversity & Funding. MAS was invited to be part of the Museums & Digitization discussion group mainly because of SaskCollections. A report on the results of the entire process is expected later this year.

• The dates for the 17/18 Board meetings were set.
• The Board Workplan categories, streams and initiatives were reviewed for 2018/19.
• Board members were assigned to all policies being monitored throughout the year.

• The following Committees were set:
  Nominations – Yvonne Hotzak (Chair), Merissa Scarlett, Darlene Brown
  Audit – Katrina Howick (Chair), Jennifer Matotek
  Ownership Linkage – Merissa Scarlett (Chair), Tracene Harvey, Jennifer Matotek
  ED Performance Review – Corinne Daelick (Chair), Teresa Carlson, Amber Andersen
  Executive – Teresa Carlson (Chair), Corinne Daelick, Yvonne Hotzak
  Board Risk Management – Evelyn Siegfried (Chair), Darlene Brown
  Board Procedures – Darlene Brown (Chair), Corinne Daelick, Evelyn Siegfried
  Awards – Amber Andersen (Chair), Katrina Howick, Amber Andersen
  Governance – Tracene Harvey (Chair), Katrina Howick, Amber Andersen

• Overall, the comments on the feedback forms for the Conference were very positive. Staff will be reviewing more thoroughly over the coming months looking at the overall effectiveness of the current conference/AGM format.

• The Board reviewed the results of the Member Forum session. It resulted in some really good feedback that can be used by the Board in direction setting and the staff for operational decisions. The process worked very well and offered everyone a chance to participate. The results will be used for evaluations going forward.

• The dates/locations of the fall Network meetings have been set and the board member who will attend on behalf of MAS.

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