



Platteville Museum Board Minutes

January 15, 2025

Board/Friends Members Present: Garrett Jones, Tom Nall, Kathy Connett, Larry Bowden, Deb Jenny

Others Present: Director Cody Grabhorn, Christina Grev

Call to order at 4:45 by Deb Jenny

Minutes of the January 2025 Museum Board meeting approved on motion by Larry Bowden, seconded by Kathy Connett.

Collections Monthly Report

- Christina Grev provided an update on collections cataloging and registration, as well as collections-based programming. Staff are preparing for many school visits this Spring, with 20 schools already booked.
- Collections specialist Christina Grev recommended accessioning the bell from the Hamner Robbins school (currently in storage with the Platteville School district). The Board accepted this recommendation on motion by Garrett Jones, seconded by Tom Nall.

Director's Monthly Report

- Director Cody Grabhorn provided a museums progress report, including an update on museums attendance and financial status.
 - The Winter Lyceum programming has started; ticket sales are good.
 - Visitor Services Specialist Kendall Miller has edited and revised our tour narrative to reflect the most recent research on mining history and the general history of our area for this upcoming tour season.
 - Director Grabhorn is in the process of hiring tour guides for the upcoming season.

Friends of the Mining & Rollo Jamison Museums Report

Deb Jenny shared an update on the Friends Board.

- The Miner's ball was last week, the pasty sale is open and online, the Friends are planning a golf event in April.

New Business

- The museum's insurance will not cover the current playground unless rubber pellets are added beneath it to create a softer surface. The Board approved removal of the playground on motion from Kathy Connett, second by Tom Nall.

Adjournment at 5:09 p.m. on motion by Kathy Connett, second from Tom Nall. The next board meeting will be Wednesday, March 19, 2025, 4:45 pm.

Submitted by Garrett Jones, Board Secretary