

Platteville Museum Board Minutes

July 30, 2025

Board/Friends Members Present: Garrett Jones, Larry Bowden, Dick Davies, Deb Jenny, Gene Tesdahl

Others Present: Director Cody Grabhorn, Christina Grev.

Call to order at 4:44 by Dick Davies

Minutes of the June 2025 Museum Board meeting approved on motion by Gene Tesdahl, seconded by Larry Bowden.

Collections Monthly Report

- Christina Grev provided an update on collections cataloging and registration, as well as collections care projects.
- Collections specialist Christina Grev recommended accessioning a mining helmet and maps and archival documents related to American Zinc/Eagle Pitcher mines (donated by Tom Golden on behalf of Phyllis Zuehlke). The Board accepted this recommendation on motion by Gene Tesdahl, seconded by Deb Jenny.

Director's Monthly Report

- Director Cody Grabhorn provided an update on museums programming, operations and grounds, as well as a progress report on the Strategic Plan.
 - There were 715 people in attendance at Heritage Day, and 1,269 total July visitors (bringing the total year-to-date attendance to 2,154).
 - o Museum and city staff emptied an offsite trailer, evaluating items for potential accession or for disposal. A new AC condenser has been installed.
 - o Director Grabhorn shared progress on the maintenance plan, revenue streams, social media growth, and workplace culture.

Friends of the Mining & Rollo Jamison Museums Report

• Deb Jenny shared an update on the Friends Board. The Pick and Gad raffle (tickets \$20 each) are on sale now, the drawing will be at Mine Day in August. Planning work has begun for the November Annual Meeting.

New Business

• The Board discussed Museum ticket prices and recent trends in ticket revenue. The Board voted to approve ticket price increases at the discretion of the director to maintain and grow ticket revenue; motion by Gene Tesdahl, second from Deb Jenny.

Adjournment at 5:15 p.m. on motion by Garrett Jones, second from Deb Jenny. The next board meeting will be Wednesday, August 20, 2025, 4:45 pm.

Submitted by Garrett Jones, Board Secretary