

74th Report of the
ELDON HOUSE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Meeting held, March 8, 2018, commencing at 4:35 p.m. in the Eldon House Interpretive Centre

Present: J. Jolliffe, M. Tovey, T. Regnier, M. Recker, J. O’Neil, T. Wittmann, B. Keim, R. Armistead, N. Michienzi

Regrets: R. Koudys, M. Spencer Golovchenko, B. Kent, A. Martin

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None

COMMUNICATIONS & DISCUSSIONS

1. Approval of Agenda

RECKER AND TOVEY

That the Agenda **BE APPROVED** as presented.

CARRIED

2. Welcome – N. Michienzi

J. Jolliffe welcomed our new Museum Coordinator to the staff on behalf of the Eldon House board. N. Michienzi gave a brief overview of her education and how she is settling into her new role.

3. 73rd Report of the Eldon House Board of Directors (attached)

TOVEY AND RECKER

That the 73rd Report of the Eldon House Board **BE APPROVED**.

CARRIED

4. T. Wittmann – Curator

TOVEY AND O’NEIL

That the following actions be taken:

- a. That the Curator’s Report, Programming Report and Museum Coordinator Report **BE RECEIVED**.
- b. That the verbal updates from the Curator as outlined below **BE RECEIVED**:
 - March 3rd Tea and Paint event led by historical interpreter Sarah Cowling was well attended with 25 participants and a financial success
 - Indigenous Women’s Stories and Experiences panel on March 4 was sold out as very popular
 - “Botanical Specimens” digitization project is now completed up to volume 7.

- Oral histories were done recently with interview subjects who were telling stories of working as servants at Eldon House or their family members who did so

CARRIED

5. T. Wittmann – Possible Retreat

RECKER AND TOVEY

That a pro bono board retreat facilitated by Louise Pitre **BE EXPLORED** for March or early April.

CARRIED

6. B. Keim – Financial Report

O'NEIL AND TOVEY

That the Financial Manager's verbal report on the Profit and Loss Budget Overview 2018, Profit and Loss Jan-Feb 2018 and the Balance Sheet as of Feb 28, 2018 **BE RECEIVED**.

CARRIED

7. J. Jolliffe – Chair's Report

RECKER AND TOVEY

That the following verbal report from the Chair **BE RECEIVED**:

- The contract negotiations went very well, with Brian Humphrey from the union able to understand both sides of the situation and need for specific content and articles
- Negotiations for hiring of our Curator/Director going well

CARRIED

8. In Camera Items

One matter pertaining to personal matters, including information regarding identifiable individual(s) with respect to employment related matters, advice or recommendations, including communications necessary for that purpose

TOVEY AND O'NEIL

That motion to go In Camera **BE APPROVED**.

CARRIED

9. Committee Chairs – Verbal Committee Reports

M. Tovey – **Collections Committee**

TOVEY AND O'NEIL

That the Collections Committee change of its mandate to include policy review and development, with a revision of the committee name to Collections and Policy Committee **BE APPROVED.**

CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

10. AGM Guest speaker

TOVEY AND RECKER

That suggestion of M. Baker from Elgin County Museum as the guest speaker at the Eldon House annual general meeting in June **BE APPROVED.**

CARRIED

NEXT MEETING

Board Meeting – Thursday April 12, 2018

ADJOURNMENT

O'NEIL

Motion to adjourn.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned 7:00 PM.