

120th Report of the
ELDON HOUSE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Meeting held in-person at the Eldon House Interpretive Centre on Wednesday, October 19, 2022, commencing at 4:30 p.m.

Present: M. Donachie (Chair), L. Henderson, R. Koudys, J. O'Neil, R. Griesmayer, M. Spencer Golovchenko, T. Wittmann, B. Ardiel, R. Armistead

Regrets: M. Halliday, M. Majumdar, T. Regnier, K. Gonyou

1. Approval of the Agenda

GRIESMAYER AND O'NEIL

That the Agenda **BE APPROVED**.

CARRIED

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None.

3. Chair's Remarks

M. Donachie acknowledged the in-person attendance at this Board meeting and reminded all stakeholders that the format of future meetings, whether in-person or online, will be determined by requirements at the time. For instance, the October meeting is ideal for in-person in order for directors to also enjoy a Halloween tour of the House.

4. Approval of 119th Report of the Eldon House Board of Directors (attached)

HENDERSON AND KOUDYS

That the 119th Report of the Eldon House Board **BE APPROVED**.

CARRIED

5. T. Wittmann - Overview of Staff and Financial Reports (attached)

Additional information was shared based on questions asked:

- M. Spencer Golovchenko inquired about a potential timeline for replacement of the eroding grey wooden fence along Ridout Street. T. Wittmann explained it is a multi-part process, with increasing costs for the replacement black iron fence material. Continued staff advocacy with the City regarding health, safety and security factors for replacement is underway.
- M. Spencer Golovchenko noted that as the current Board term concludes, following the upcoming civic election, a priority for the incoming Board will be to complete a new 4-year strategic plan.
- R. Koudys inquired about the Eldon House financial statements and was assured by T. Wittmann that all remains financially stable, despite some reported anomalies in revenue.
- Several directors applauded Program Coordinator B. Ardiel's goals for the 2023 Programming Year.

O'NEIL AND GRIESMAYER

That the Staff and Financial Reports as distributed **BE RECEIVED**.

CARRIED

6. Committee reports

No reports

NEW BUSINESS

7. It was noted by M. Spencer Golovchenko that the upcoming 4-year renegotiation of the Eldon House Collective Agreement with the unionized staff is on the horizon in December.

That the Board appoint Chair M. Donachie, Director M. Majumdar and Curator Director T. Wittmann as the Management Negotiation Committee.

SPENCER GOLOVCHENKO AND KOUDYS

CARRIED

8. R. Griesmayer cited the December Board meeting is currently set for December 21, which is very close to Christmas this year. As such, at the November meeting, the Board will consider moving its December meeting up one week to December 14.

ADJOURNMENT

KOUDYS

Motion to adjourn.

CARRIED

Adjourned at 5:50 PM, with a *Morbid and Macabre* Halloween tour of the museum to follow.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, November 16, 2022