

127th Report of the
ELDON HOUSE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Meeting held virtually on Wednesday June 21, 2023 commencing at 4:33 pm.

Present: Mike Donachie, Joe O'Neil, Devinder Luthra, Doug Fleming, Bruce Duncan, Megan Halliday, Tara Wittmann, Louanne Henderson, D. Millar

Regrets: Robin Armistead

Board Meeting

1. Approval of the Agenda

LUTHRA and HENDERSON

That the agenda **BE APPROVED**

CARRIED

2. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

Nil

3. Approval of Annual General Meeting of the Eldon House Board of Directors minutes

LUTHRA and HALLIDAY

That the Annual General Meeting minutes for 2023 **BE APPROVED**

CARRIED

4. M. Donachie - Chair's Remarks

- Thank you to all for AGM – such a success

5. T. Wittmann - Overview of Staff and Finance Reports

- Continued to gain visitor numbers - achieving pre-covid numbers by years end
- L. Henderson – how did heritage conference go
 - o Ontario Heritage Conference – hosted in London, number of different sites, largely academic in nature either at Museum London, Kellogg Lane etc.
 - o 300 people engaging that morning
- L. Henderson – wonderful report from AGM – worried that costs a lot of money
 - o Is a budget in marketing budget to pay it
 - o J. O'Neil - electronic formats come and go so physical copy is necessity
- D. Fleming – Sunday, Strawberry Tea
 - o Over sold out – no more spots
- D. Fleming –Canada Day celebration
 - o 3 musical performances, coffee cart, number of cultural communities coming and full staff for tours, interpretations etc.
- L. Henderson – perhaps discuss in the Fall how to increase donations

- Decided by M. Donachie that staff will update last presentation about this topic and bring the Board a recommendation for September meeting

LUTHRA and O'NEIL

That the Staff and Finance Reports **BE RECEIVED**

CARRIED

6. T. Wittmann & M. Donachie - **Collective Agreement Ratification**
 - M. Donachie – comfortable with where we've landed
 - T. Wittmann
 - CA working from is a version from basically when Museum London ran us
 - CA inherited when we moved away from Museum London in 2013 – terms tightened up but not necessarily fully suited to the type of museum we are
 - Tidied up language, make it gender neutral, added some new language
 - Looked at wage grids and efficiency and avoid the issue of not understanding the formula of the wage grids

MILLAR and O'NEIL

That the Collective Agreement for 2023-2026 **BE RATIFIED**

CARRIED

7. **Committee Reports** – as required
 - D. Millar – gardens committee – planted annuals and gardens are ready to go, pond cleaned out and functional

NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

LUTHRA

Motion to adjourn

CARRIED

Adjourned at 5:20 pm

NEXT MEETING

In-person meeting July 19, 2023.