



Town of Fort Frances
Museum Advisory Committee
Meeting
November 27, 2019 @ 12:00 PM
Museum

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1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Welcome Aaron Bisson as the new Recreation and Culture Manager.

2. Disclosure of Conflict of Interest and the General Nature Thereof:

3. Approval of Previous Committee Minutes

3.1 Meeting Date: Oct 30, 2019; Any errors or omissions?

4. Governance:

5. Finance:

5.1 Sherry working on final report for MAP grant. Due end of December.

5.2 No word yet on CMOG application.

5.3 Copies of Museum budget available for review.

5.4 Council looking to raise user fees by 1.7%. Other than Kenora, our fees are the same or higher than other museums in our district. I would be cautious about raising fees beyond what the public is prepared to pay. However it's been at least 5 years since the museum raised admission fees. Is it time?

5.5 Berth for Owandem. HOW do we wish to proceed?

6. Collections:

7. Exhibitions:

7.1 Current Exhibit: Prohibition until end of December.

Canada: Day One - Jan thru March. Should arrive the week of Jan 6.

8. Interpretation & Education:

8.1 IISD: Experimental Lakes group did a presentation for St Francis Grade 7s on Nov 18. Explained what it is they do there and its importance to climate change.

8.2 History on Tap session has been postponed to Dec 5.

8.3 Looking at Dec 11 for Temperance Tea.

9. Research:

10. Conservation:

11. Physical Plant:

11.1 Small problems. Jim Garvie addresses them quickly.

12. Community:

12.1 Friends Fall Fundraising Gala very successful. Full house.

12.2 Sherry & Bev attended KNCWN historical centre for opening of Veterans of Treaty 3. Bev delivered remarks in Ojibwe. Great ambassador for our museum.

12.3 Fall workshops going well. Participants are very happy and begging for more!! Spring workshop line-up ready soon.

13. Human Resources / Professional Development:

13.1 Bev attending 'Organizing & Managing Museums' course in Steinbach this Friday. This is one of the requirements for the Certificate in Museum Practice.

13.2 Sherry retires end of April. Working 4 days per week Jan thru April.

14. Numbers:

14.1 October 2019: 371. (Oct 2018: 431)

15. Strategic Plan:

15.1 Reviewing Collections Management Policy.

16. Recommendations to be made to the Executive Committee of Community Services...

17. ADJOURN / NEXT MEETING DATE

17.1 There will be no meeting in December. Will meet again Wed Jan 22 at noon.