



**MINUTES: Board of Trustees Meeting**  
**Wednesday, April 12<sup>h</sup>, 2017; 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm**  
**National Frontier Trails Museum, Independence, MO**

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Craig, Chair. Present were Ms. Buhr, Ms. Caskey, Mr. Dillingham, Ms. English, Mr. Glenn, Ms. Hunkeler, Mr. Morgan, Mr. Nevius, Mr. Patterson, Mr. Smith, Ms. Tacha, Mr. Wagon, Mr. Wood, and Ms. Woodall.

Attending via phone were Mr. Benton and Mr. Rankin.

Absent were Ms. Barker, Ms. Barnes, Mr. Crow, Mr. Ford, Mr. Fortunato, Mr. Glasscock, Mr. Harris, Mr. Pfautsch, Brig. Gen. Scott, Ms. Stroup, Mr. Tempel, Ms. Thellman, and Mr. Wulf.

Staff members attending included Ms. Hobson, Ms. McPike, Mr. Newhard, Mr. Pickert, Mr. Ogle, and Ms. Smith. Guests included Ms. Joanne Buhr and Mr. Ed English.

Mr. Dave Aamodt, curator, National Frontier Trails Museum, welcomed the board to the museum.

**Approval of Minutes:** Mr. Dillingham moved to approve the February 2017 minutes. Mr. Wagon seconded the motion, which passed

**Financial Report:** Mr. Ogle gave the financial report on behalf of Mr. Glasscock. Mr. Nevius moved to approve the report. Mr. Dillingham seconded the motion, which passed.

Mr. Ogle explained that federal funding is still not certain for FFY17. He requested the board authorize extending the operating budget until the June board meeting. Mr. Wood moved to extend the operating budget until the June Board meeting. Mr. Glenn seconded the motion and provided an amendment to delete the phrase “until the June Board meeting” from the motion. Mr. Glenn noted that the Executive Committee has the power to restrict expenditures if necessary. Mr. Wood accepted the amendment and restated the motion as, “To continue the budget allocation as approved in January on an indefinite basis until we have clarity on federal levels of funding.” Mr. Glenn seconded the motion. The board discussed the impact on programs. The motion passed.

**Sustainability:** Ms. McPike shared an update on a Dear Colleague letter circulating the Senate. Mr. Ogle shared an update on HR 1002 and discussed a plan for Congressional outreach. Ms. McPike shared information about specific area foundations.

**Signage Update:** Mr. Pickert presented on the state of the Freedom’s Frontier boundary, partner, and directional signage projects.

**Partner Coordinator Update:** Mr. Newhard shared an update on efforts to reaffirm commitment among partners.



**Executive Director's Report:** Mr. Ogle shared updates on developing marketing efforts.

**Managing Director's Report:** Ms. McPike shared a presentation she recently gave at the George Wright Society.

**Education & Interpretation Manager's Report:** Ms. Hobson shared updates on partnership projects in the Quindaro neighborhood, RaceProjectKC, training opportunities for partners, and the Midwest Parent Educator conference.

**New Business:** Mr. Ogle shared staff biographies that are going to be posted on the website.

**Old Business:** There was no old business.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
Julie McPike for Deborah Barker, Board Secretary