

**Notice of Public Meeting of  
the Board of Directors of the  
Arizona Historical Society**

**January 27, 2023**

*Mission: Connecting people through the power of Arizona's history.*

Pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Arizona Historical Society and to the general public that the State Board of Directors of the Arizona Historical Society will hold a regularly scheduled meeting, open to the public, on **Friday, January 27 at 12:00 p.m.**

Note: This meeting will be held virtually. Board Members and members of the public interested in participating virtually must register in advance of the meeting. To register click this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwsduGgrz4sHNBAjlikS-ge-VOfsROofPRU>

You will receive a confirmation email with the meeting link. The meeting will be activated five minutes prior to the 12:00 p.m. start time.

**Agenda**

1. **Call to Order** – President Linda Whitaker
2. **Roll Call** – Colleen Byron
3. **Minutes** - Discussion and action to approve the draft Minutes of the November 18, 2022 State Board meeting.
4. **Call to the Public** – Consideration and discussion of comments from the public. Members of the public wishing to address the Committee should identify their interest at this time via the chat box. Those wishing to address an item on the agenda will be called upon when that item is being discussed and given up to five minutes. Those wishing to address an item not on the agenda will be allowed up to three minutes. Such items may not be discussed by the Committee but may be directed to Staff for study and consideration at a later date.
5. **Sosa Carrillo House** – David Breeckner and Marjorie Becklund
  - a. **Closed Session** for Board inquiry of Purchase Agreement legal details, if requested.
  - b. Public Discussion.
  - c. **Action Item:** Motion to approve the Purchase Agreement submitted by Rio Nuevo for Sosa Carrillo House in Tucson.

6. **Arizona Architecture Foundation (AAF)** – Doug Syndor
  - a. Organizational introduction and partnership proposal.
  - b. Draft letter of support for Board’s consideration.
7. **Board Update** – Linda Whitaker
  - Introduction of new members: Diane Drobka (Graham County) and Dr. Matthew Hernando (Yavapai County).
  - Greenlee County School District will be advertising Board vacancy opportunities on its Facebook page.
8. **Committee Report:** Finance Committee –Jim Snitzer
  - a. FY23 December Financials.
  - b. Central Services Bureau (CSB) contract.
9. **Director’s Update** – David Breeckner
  - a. Capital Campaign
    - The RFP “did not find sufficient information to make a recommendation and award, and the solicitation has been withdrawn.”
    - Review of Ex-Comm discussions.
    - Recommendation to move to the Finance Committee for further discussion.
  - b. Status of hiring/impact on museums
    - Internal promotions: Rebekah Tabah to Assistant Director, Jenny Pennington to Flagstaff Operations Manager
  - c. Strategic Plan
    - Presentation of “Small Committee” completed draft.
    - Review of next steps and future deadlines.
  - d. Molina Block Ag. Exhibit
    - Procurement determined no State RFP is required to proceed, based on YCHS’ financial role in the project.
    - Non-state RFP materials developed by AHS and provided to YCHS for solicitation to design-build firms; selection will be a joint decision.
  - e. Director’s Priorities for 2023
    - Extended museum hours state-wide
    - Reopen Pioneer Museum with full resolution to staffing difficulties
    - Complete filling of existing vacancies; continue internal restructuring efforts
    - Oversee new collections storage solutions at AHC Tempe and AHM Tucson
    - Contract services for Molina Block Ag. Exhibit and finalize funding
    - Leverage state and agency resources to develop funding and schedules for care of AHS historic sites

- Oversee successful completion of 2023 Sunset Audit
  - Grow revenue and community engagement through public events, education, visitation, and gift shops
  - Expand relations with State Legislature and Governor’s Office
- f. Sunset Audit – Committee of Reference (COR) update
- Members of the House conduct hearings in odd years
  - COR members assigned to AHS Audit are from the House Government and Elections Committee and from the Senate Natural Resources and Energy Committee. See “Sunset COR 2023” attachment for details.

10. **Announcements** and other matters for consideration in future board or committee meetings. Summary of Director’s evaluation.

11. **Adjournment** – Linda Whitaker

Dated this 17th day of January 2023.

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Linda Whitaker, Board President

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