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MUSEUM AND CULTURAL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

Date: March 28, 2024
Time: 4:00 p.m.
Location: Zoom and i.d.e.a. Museum at 150 W. Pepper Place, Mesa, AZ 85201

◇ Results ◇

1. Items from citizens present: There were no members of the public present.
2. Approval of minutes from the regular November 16, 2023, Meeting: Melvin Van Vorst motioned to approve the minutes as presented and Greg DeSimone seconded. The Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes as written and they will be posted to the city's website.
3. Approval of minutes from the regular January 25, 2024, Meeting: Colleen Byron motioned to approve the minutes as presented and Brad Peterson seconded. The Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes as written and they will be posted to the city's website.
4. Introduction of new Director of Arts & Culture Richard M. Parison, Jr.
5. Hear, discuss, and provide advice on update report from Director Richard M. Parison, Jr., including programmatic, operational, and administrative items from Arts and Culture: Richard Parison, Jr. gave updates on strategic planning, Development department centralization, and shared dates and times for the final Art in the Park and Mesa Contemporary Arts Museum's summer opening. Simon Tipene Adlam shared that evening at the Mesa Public Library Main Branch there would be a speaker series event and there are two more of these speaker series coming up in the future.
6. Hear, discuss, and provide advice on current neon sign garden located at The Post, update from Vic Linoff: Vic Linoff, President of the Mesa Preservation Foundation, gave history of neon sign preservation efforts in the City of Mesa and the work and funds it takes to restore signs in general.
7. Hear, discuss, and provide feedback on update report on the i.d.e.a. Museum from Jarrad Bittner, including programmatic, operational, and administrative items from i.d.e.a. Museum in Arts and Culture: Jarrad Bittner and Mike Goodwin gave updates on approaching construction for the museum. They also shared some upcoming exterior art pieces that would be installed over the next few months.
8. Current events summary including report on events attended.
9. Adjourn.

Next Board Meeting: Thursday, May 23, hybrid meeting with in person component at Mesa Arts Center.