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## MUSEUM AND CULTURAL ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

Date: March 27, 2025

Time: 4:00 p.m.

Location: Zoom & Mesa Arts Center South Conference Room

## ♦ Results ♦

- 1. Items from citizens present: There were no citizens present.
- 2. Approval of Minutes from the regular January 23, 2025 meeting: Melvin Van Vorst motioned to approve the minutes as presented and Todd Hanle seconded. The Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes as written and they will be posted to the city's website.
- 3. Hear a Presentation on Arizona Museum 's new Education and Curriculum Planning Simon Tipene Adlam, Museum Administrator at Arizona Museum of Natural History: Alison Stoltman gave a presentation on history of, and updates to, AZMNH's education programming.
- 4. Discuss: I Love Mesa Day at Arts & Culture institutions Sarah Goedicke, Management Assistant: Sarah Goedicke gave an update on I Love Mesa Day participation for Mesa Arts Center, MABEL (Mobile Arts-Based Engagement Lab), and idea Museum. Simon gave an update on how the day went for AZMNH. Both museums saw near-record attendance.
- 5. Discuss: Moving meetings to Council Chambers Nick Willis, Greg DeSimone: Sarah Goedicke explained that staff were informed that MCAB is the only board not utilizing Council Chambers for meetings. Nick Willis and Greg DeSimone proposed moving meetings to the Council Chambers. After discussion among board members, the board decided to keep the current rotation between the institutions but moving meetings where votes will be made or important topics discussed to Council Chambers. Sarah Goedicke will look at scheduling May's meeting in the Council Chambers.
- 6. Discuss: Board purpose Nick Willis, Greg DeSimone: Nick and Greg shared the city charter regarding MCAB with the board and discussed how the board has become more active in recent years. The board discussed what their mission and purpose should be moving forward. This will be a continuing discussion item on future agendas.
- 7. Upcoming Events Volunteer or Participation Opportunities: Sarah Goedicke thanked the Board for their continued support during department events and stated that the next big item for MAC is Dia de los Muertos. The museums shared that they will have some upcoming opportunities.
- 8. Discuss projects or presenters of interest and report on events attended

## 9. Adjourn

Next Board Meeting: Thursday, May 22, 2025 – hybrid meeting on zoom and physical location to be determined.