

JOHNSON COUNTY JIM GATCHELL MEMORIAL MUSEUM
Board of Trustees Meeting
February 8, 2018

Present were Vice President Mel Keffer, Secretary Lynn Young, Treasurer Patty Myers, Board Member Bill Payne, Director Sylvia Bruner, JGMM Educator Jennifer Romanoski, and County Commissioner Bob Perry.

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM by Vice President Mel Keffer

January meeting minutes were approved. Myers moved, Keffer seconded.

The treasurer's report for January was reviewed, discussed and approved. Young moved, Payne seconded.

Old Business:

The gutter system has failed on both ends of the front of the museum.. Director has had it looked at and asked for bids. It appears it won't be an easy fix. The roof is needing replaced and will require a historically similar roof. There was a discussion of likely costs and perspective funding sources.

New Business:

Discussion of WYO Star investments and maximizing interest income. Discussion was to retain \$5000 in restricted account and \$35,000 in the operating account and move the remainder to WYO Star. The operating account funds can be moved into the existing WYO Star account and a new WYO Star account would be set up for the restricted account funds.

Bill Payne made a motion to retain \$5000 in restricted account and \$35,000 in operating account and move the remainder to WYO Star accounts where it will earn more interest income. Keffer seconded. The motion was passed.

Directors report:

Director discussed the auditor's report and the feasibility of some of the suggestions in the report.

The museum will provide a table and display at the Buffalo Chamber Small Business Expo, March 16 and 17 at the Bomber Mountain Civic Center. There will be a display of info about exhibits, programs and store.

Director went through website to clean up some outdated and unnecessary pages. She also activated Google Analytics which can track users of the website. Now, in addition to tracking the number of persons who physically tour the museum, the museum will track web site users, research, and store shoppers.

The annual history conference is scheduled for Saturday, April 28 at the American Legion.

Sam Mihara will make a presentation about Heart Mountain Internment Camp to more than 575 students in Buffalo on March 15. He will do a program for the public that evening.

During the last week of January, Jenifer provided programs for 182 students and teachers.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 PM

The next JGMM Board meeting is March 8, 3:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Young, Secretary