

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

Present were Vice President Mel Keffer, Secretary Lynn Young, 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

February meeting minutes were approved. Payne moved, Young seconded.

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

Old Business:

WYO Star update: JGMM accounts have been set up in WYO Star and portions of the restricted and operating funds have been shifted to the accounts to earn a higher rate of interest.

New Business:

Special District: Director and board are interested in finding new sources of future funding for the museum. Some research has been done to consider creating a Wyoming special district. Considerable work is involved. There was discussion of options and alternatives. It would likely be 2020 before a proposal could be ready. Commissioner Perry said the Johnson County Commissioners would support such an effort.

Young made a motion for the board to request Director Bruner to begin the process of pursuing a Wyoming special district for JGMM. Keffer seconded. The motion carried.

Directors 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. Volunteers are lined up to staff the booth.

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.

The annual history conference is scheduled for April 28 at the American Legion. The subject is the Black and Yellow Trail. Tickets are available.

Living History Day is Saturday, June 23.

Work on a new exhibit, *A Snapshot in Time: Fort McKinney Scrapbook* is progressing.

Plans are to advertise in the Buffalo Chamber of Commerce *Pathfinder* magazine, the Buffalo Bulletin *Vista*, and Gillette News Record *From the Big Horns to the Black Hills*.

Renewal of participation of the app *Sneaker Tours* is coming up this summer. It saw over two hundred views for the museum in July of 2017.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 PM.
The next JGMM Board meeting is April 12, 3:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Young, Secretary