



**CITY OF BIRMINGHAM
MUSEUM BOARD
BOOK PROJECT COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, February 16, 2017
6:00 PM**

Members Present: Caitlin Rosso, Dan Patton, George Getschman
Members Absent: Tina Krizanic
Administration: Museum Director, Leslie Pielack

This being the first meeting of the committee, with one member not being present, the board took action to appoint a temporary chair.

Appointment of Temporary Chair

Caitlin Rosso was nominated as temporary chair.

MOTION: by Patton, seconded by Getschman:

To appoint Caitlin Rosso temporary chair.

VOTE: Yeas, 3
Nays, 0

Ms. Rosso called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM

Introduction of Guests

None.

New Business

The committee agreed by consensus to meet at 6:00 PM on the third Thursday of the month in advance of the Friends of the Birmingham Museum regular board meeting.

The committee clarified its purpose to investigate and explore options for book or other publications as they may impact celebrations or commemorations of the Birmingham bicentennial, which formally occurs on December 1, 1818. The committee will review and research the matter and make recommendations to the Museum Board.

A number of concepts were mentioned, with further brainstorming needed. They covered the following general areas:

- Purpose of the project
- Subject matter to be included
- Practical issues
- Form and format

The brainstorming process will continue into additional meetings to take advantage of comments from those who could not be present at this meeting.

The committee agreed that input from other members of the community would be valuable, especially those who have a broad understanding of the community's history and if they are familiar with publication practices and issues. The committee would be especially interested in suggestions from former Friends President, Pam DeWeese, and Library Director Doug Koschik during this early exploratory phase.

A flip chart or other means of capturing ideas was suggested for the next meeting.

Ms. Rosso adjourned the meeting at 6:43 PM. **Next committee meeting is scheduled for March 23, 2017 at 6:00 PM.**