

**Besser Museum for Northeast Michigan  
Board of Trustees Meeting AGENDA  
Tuesday, August 16, 2022  
TEAMS ONLINE MEETING @ 4:30 p.m.**

*Our mission is to collect, preserve, interpret, and exhibit authentic articles and artifacts of art, history, and science to inspire curiosity for all ages, foster community pride, and cultivate personal legacy.*

- 1) **Call To Order (Board Members can call in or join online)**
- 2) **Review June 21, 2022, Board Meeting Minutes for approval** (*action item*)
- 3) **TREASURER'S REPORT:**
  - a. Jim Kraenzlein will present Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Audit review
  - b. Marie Williams will present Proposed Budget for the 2022 – 2023 fiscal year.
  - c. Treasurer's report on June and July 2022 financials.
- 4) **Reports to the Board:**
  - a) **DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Full report submitted.
    - a. Capital Project updates:
      - i. Meridian: Exterior Project
      - ii. HVAC: New chiller installation
    - b. Planetarium Projector
  - b) **AD HOC COMMITTEES:**
    - **GOVERNANCE REPORT: No report**
    - **GREAT LAKES FISHERIES HERITAGE EXHIBIT:**
      - a. **Chinook Project:** Jim Johnson report
        - i. Huron Engineering is doing the first Phase of the project.
        - ii. Besser Museum was approved for an AmeriCorp worker in 2023.
      - b. **Katherine V:** Tuffy Cross report
    - **DISCOVER NORTHEAST MICHIGAN HISTORY:** Refer to Director's Report
    - **FINE ART COMMITTEE:** 2021 Juried Art winner is exhibited in Wilson Gallery
    - **COLLECTIONS COMMITTEE:** Claudia Chapman: artifact accession proposal.
- 5) **Old Business:**
  - a. The Town that Wouldn't Die: 200 limited editions of misprinted books are in the gift store inventory now. The rest of the books are being reprinted.
  - b. The Founder's Society is a separate 501(c)3. The remaining two active board members have proposed to disband and relinquish their non-profit status.
- 6) **New Business:**
  - a. Board quasi-endowed funds with Infinex Financial Group. (\$67,767) This fund was managed by Marc Ferguson through Edward Jones for several years. The museum pulled the funds and put them with Julie Ferguson at Alpena Bank. Alpena Bank merged with mBank, which merge with Nicolet. Julie Ferguson no longer manages these funds. Do we want to investigate having our funds managed by a local financial advisor?
- 7) **Adjourn**