WASHINGTON STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

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ENTITY: WSHS Board of Trustees
DATE: September 24, 2015
LOCATION: Museum of History and Industry, Seattle

TRUSTEES PRESENT: Larry Kopp, President; Sally Barline; Raymond Bower; Robert Carriker; Carol Coe, representing Randy Dorn; Representative Sam Hunt; Alex McGregor, via telephone; Krist Novoselic; Sam Reed; Richard Scheuerman; Sheryl Stiefel; Jerry Whitfield; Representative J.T. Wilcox

STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Kilmer, Director; Tam Dang, Chief Financial Officer

I. Call to Order and Introductions
   Called to order at 9:02am

II. Consent Items
   a. Minutes, June 20, 2015 Meeting [Exhibit 1]*
      Approved
   b. Future Board Meeting Schedule [Exhibit 2]*
      Approved
      Discussion about meeting in different locations, not Olympia. Trustees want to have the meeting at different museums with an opportunity to learn about museum operations.

III. Major Exhibits Committee
   a. Shaping a New World Exhibit opening
      • If we are going to renovate, where do we start?
      • Request board members visit the new exhibit and provide feedback
      • Teachers will be the next group to visit the new exhibit on October 29th.
      • Is there some interest in Hanford and Columbia basin project?
   b. Arctic Ambitions exhibit
      • Presentation about Arctic Ambitions exhibit
      • Discussed fundraising opportunities

IV. Operations/Performance/Trend Assessments
   a. Agency Activities and Performance Metrics [Exhibit 3]
      • Jennifer Kilmer provided a report on performance metrics.

V. Policy, Planning & Governance
   a. Director Review* [Exhibit 4]
   b. Governance Committee
      Call for additional committee members [Exhibit 5]
   c. Finance Committee
i. Investment Report [Exhibit 6]

ii. Financial Report [Exhibit 7]

iii. B17 Budget [Exhibit 8]*
   - Discussion of continued funding for National History Day. Jennifer Kilmer explained that the program has been difficult to fundraise for and is not self-sustaining through fees. Discussion resulted in one year of funding being included in the organizational budget with future funding contingent upon success of fundraising efforts.
   - Vote for Approval of the Fy16-17 budget as modified above.

d. Development Committee
   - Discussed recent fundraising efforts.

VI. Good of the Order
Meeting adjourned at 1:00 pm

VII. Museum of History and Industry Tour – Leonard Garfield, Executive Director

*Denotes Action Item