

Platteville Museum Board Minutes

January 18, 2023

Board/Friends Members Present: Garrett Jones, Deb Jenny, Mark Stead, Kathy Connett, Bill Van Deest
Others Present: Museums Director Erik Flesch (Board Liaison)

Call to order at 4:50 by Deb Jenny

Minutes of the November 2022 Museum Board meetings approved with corrections on motion by Mark Stead, seconded by Kathy Connett

Director's Monthly Report

- Director Flesch provided a museums progress report covering buildings and grounds, planning, programs, education, and operations.
 - The museum is preparing a "Mining in Society" merit badge program at the Scouts BSA Merit Badge Midway in February.
 - The Winter Lyceum series starts in February. The Museums have announced the lyceum series speakers, which all explore topics related to energy.

Collections Monthly Report

- Two rusted train cars that were repaired and repainted have been returned to the museum to continue operations. The WWI Minenwerfer Mortar will be final after it painted with WWI-era camouflage paint.

Friends of the Mining & Rollo Jamison Museums Report

- Deb Jenny shared an update on the Friends Board.
 - The Friends are preparing for the Miner's Ball on February 4. Over 160 tickets to the Miner's Ball (+25 "dance only" tickets) have been sold.
 - An online pasty fundraiser is currently being held; orders are being taken through February 17, drive-through pick up will be a March 4, 10am-2pm at Millennium Cinema.
 - The Friends received a generous gift of a stock portfolio worth over \$250k from Bill Huff.

Adjournment at 5:35 p.m. on motion by Mark Stead, second from Kathy Connett. Next meeting will be Wednesday, February 15, 2023.

Submitted by Garrett Jones, Board Secretary