

Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Metropolitan Zoological Park and Museum District

December 12, 2023, 12:00 PM, via Zoom and in person at 7733 Forsyth Blvd, 2nd Floor, Training Room B, Clayton Mo. 63105

- 1. Darnetta Clinkscale, Chair of the Metropolitan Zoological Park and Museum District, called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM.
- 2. Upon roll call, the following members were present/absent:

Christine Chadwick, Present
Darnetta Clinkscale, Present
Shelia Hudson, Absent
Thomas Mummert, Present

Bradley Bakker, Present
Michelle Harris, Present
Jill Nowak, Present
Kenneth Powell, Present

Others in Attendance: ZMD employees Matthew Pollock, Adrienne Mack, Florette Hampton, Legal Counsels, Jennifer Byrne, and Michael Chivell.

- 3. The Chair asked for public comments from those in attendance. No comments resulted.
- 4. Michael Chivell was presented with Proclamations from the City of St. Louis and St. Louis County and a Resolution from the Zoo Museum District in recognition of his long tenured service to the ZMD, its subdistricts and the community.
- 5. A motion to approve the September 26, 2023, regular/closed Board Meeting Minutes was made by Christine Chadwick and seconded by Thomas Mummert. The Chair asked for discussion; no discussion ensued. The minutes were approved by a unanimous voice vote.
- 6. Mr. Pollock discussed the process of the move to 1001 Highlands Plaza Drive W, Suite 310, St Louis, MO 63110.
- 7. Ms. Clinkscale shared the Personnel Committee will make their report in the closed session.
- 8. Mr. Powell shared the Community Relations Committee had nothing to report.
- 9. Mr. Mummert shared the Audit and Finance Committee had nothing to report.

- 10. Ms. Clinkscale shared the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee had nothing to report.
- 11. Legal Counsel, Ms. Byrne had nothing to report.
- 12. Old Business: There was no old business.
- 13. New Business: 2024 ZMD Administrative Budget was discussed. Ms. Chadwick moved for the approval of the 2024 ZMD Administrative Budget, seconded by Michelle Harris. The Chair asked for discussion; none resulted. The 2024 ZMD Administrative Budget was approved by a unanimous vote.

2022 Excess Administrative Revenue and its distribution to each subdistrict was discussed and reviewed. Ms. Chadwick moved for the approval of the 2022 Excess Administrative Revenue and its distribution, seconded by Jill Nowak. The Chair asked for discussion; none resulted. The 2022 Excess Administrative Revenue was approved by a unanimous vote.

A request from the Missouri Botanical Garden subdistrict to increase admission for non-district residents from \$14.00 to \$16.00 effective 1/1/2024 was considered. Ms. Chadwick moved for the approval of the Missouri Botanical Garden Admission Increase for 2024, seconded by Michelle Harris. The Chair asked for discussion; none resulted. The request from the Missouri Botanical Garden to Increase Non-District Resident Admission for 2024 was approved by unanimous vote.

The Chair asked for a motion to go into Closed Session: Pursuant to Section 610.021 Revised Statutes of Missouri Subsection (1), (12). Mr. Bakker moved to close the meeting; Ms. Harris seconded the motion. The Chair asked for discussion: no discussion ensued. The Chair asked for a roll call vote. The motion passed by unanimous vote. The staff left the meeting and legal counsels remained in the closed session.

The Board went into closed session at 12:21 p.m.

The closed session of the meeting adjourned, and the regular meeting was opened at 1:22 pm. and immediately adjourned upon motion by Ms. Harris seconded by Mr. Mummert. It was unanimously approved by roll call vote. Minutes from the Closed Session of the meeting will be prepared Jill Nowak and filed at the office of Armstrong Teasdale, LLP.

Respectfully submitted,

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Secretary