



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

May 19, 2026 12:00 PM, via Zoom at 1 Fine Arts Drive, St. Louis, MO 63110

Thomas Mummert, Chair of the Metropolitan Park and Museum District, called the meeting to order at 12:04 PM.

Upon roll call, the following members were present/absent:

Bradley Bakker, Present

Darnetta Clinkscale, Present

Michelle Harris, Present

Thomas Mummert, Present

Jill Nowak, Present

Kenneth Powell, Present

Brittany Robbins, Present

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

The Chair asked for public comments from those in attendance. No comments resulted.

The Chair welcomed the Art Museum staff, Board of Directors and Subdistrict officials.

Presentation by Art Museums officials. The following was discussed:

- Bradford Werner, Board of Commissioners President, welcomed and thanked the ZMD Board and staff for continued support. He also welcomed members of the Board of Commissioners and the museum staff to the meeting.
- Carolyn J. Schmidt – Deputy Director and Controller presented the 2026 operating budget. The museum operating budget for 2026 is (49M), which included ZMD tax revenue 57.5% of the Art Museum operating budget is \$28.4 (M). The museum budgeted 2.5 (M) 5.1% of the budget to come from contributed revenue, garage revenue, space rentals, endowment support budgeted at 21.8% or \$10.4 (M). She stated that 4.3 (M) or 8.7% of the budget comes from membership. Interest in dividends at 1.4 (M) provide 2.98% of the budget. Total operating cost (48.7) were highlighted, which included finance & administration, transfer of plant fund, curatorial and other operating uses.

- Min Jung Kim – Barbara B. Taylor Director, welcomed the ZMD Board and staff. She acknowledged finalizing the last stages of the strategic plan. The goal is to play a defining role in making St. Louis a global art destination. She highlighted an increase in attendance. She also acknowledged Anselm Kiefer exhibition and Roaring which was the highest exhibition attended since 2018. Ms. Kim acknowledged the Art Museum have received taxpayer support for more a century, from the City of St. Louis and later the ZMD the Art Museum have been able to prioritize collection growth at the center of their philanthropic strategy.

Board members asked questions/made comments and discussions ensued.

A motion to approve April 21, 2026, regular Board Meeting Minutes was made by Ms. Nowak and seconded by Mr. Bakker. The Chair asked for discussion; no discussion ensued. The minutes were approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Pollock gave instructions to signing officers on updating Bank documents and provided a briefing on recent public relation inquiries.

No Committee Reports.

No Old Business or New Business.

There being no further business of the Board, Ms. Robbins moved that the regular meeting adjourned, Mr. Bakker second the motion which was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Kenneth Powell

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Secretary