MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF THE
METROPOLITAN ZOOLOGICAL PARK AND MUSEUM DISTRICT

St. Louis, Missouri
June 9, 2020

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Zoological Park and Museum District was held via Zoom at 7733 Forsyth Boulevard, Suite 550, on Tuesday, June 9, 2020 at 12:00 p.m.

Robert E. Eggmann, Chair of the Metropolitan Zoological Park and Museum District (“District”), called the meeting to order. Upon roll call, the following Board members were present:

Robert E. Eggmann  Thomas J. Campbell
Christine A. Chadwick  Darnetta Clinkscale
Michelle Harris  Thomas C. Mumpert
Jill Nowak

Other persons attending the meeting included Michael Chivell from Armstrong Teasdale LLP, the District’s legal counsel and District employees: J. Patrick Dougherty and Matthew Pollock.

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

Approval of Minutes: The Chair called for the approval of the minutes from the April 21, 2020 regular Board meeting. Ms. Chadwick suggested the minutes include the details and accomplishments of Ms. Dilworth’s tenure with the District that were mentioned during the Chair’s announcement of her resignation. A discussion ensued.

Mr. Campbell moved that the minutes be approved with the following revisions:

- Remove additional LLP in listing of those in attendance; and
- Include details of Ms. Dilworth’s tenure with the District that were mentioned during the Chair’s announcement of her resignation.

Ms. Clinkscale seconded the motion. The Chair asked for additional discussion; none resulted. The minutes were approved with all members voting “Aye”.

Executive Director’s Report: Mr. Dougherty discussed the March and April 2020 internal financial reports.

Finance/Audit Committee Report: Mr. Mumpert had no report.

Communications Committee: Ms. Harris discussed whether or not it makes sense to prepare a Report to the Community this year because of the COVID-19 pandemic and the input that would be needed from the institutions, which have been shut down for several months. A discussion ensued and others were in agreement that the District would not prepare a Report to the Community. Mr. Mumpert suggested we indicate on our website that the District would not be preparing a report and the reason. Mr. Pollock agreed and added that the website could be used as a medium for publishing information that is historically included in the Report to the Community.

Report of Legal Counsel: Mr. Chivell had no report.
Old Business: There was no old business discussed.

New Business: Mr. Pollock discussed the upcoming plans for advertising the vacant Office Manager position, conducting the initial interviews and summarized the Office Manger’s duties. A discussion ensued.

Mr. Pollock discussed the latest revisions to the ZMD Board Meeting Schedule, specifically the Art Museum, Zoological Park, and Botanical Garden Subdistrict Budget Meetings that were rescheduled since the previous revisions were published. Additionally, the Chair brought forth for discussion the plans to hold the Subdistrict Budget Meeting via Zoom or in-person. A discussion ensued and it was determined that the meetings would be held via Zoom, unless otherwise specified.

Mr. Dougherty discussed the Subdistrict institutions’ reopening dates and their related plans. He cited that the information was obtained from the respective institutions’ websites. He highlighted that the reopening plans place emphasis on social distancing, the requirement for guests to wear masks, increased sanitization, and capacity limitations within the institutions. The following is a list of the planned reopening dates:

- Saint Louis Zoo – June 13, 2020
- Missouri Botanical Garden – June 16, 2020
- Saint Louis Science Center – June 20, 2020
- Missouri History Museum – June 20, 2020
- Saint Louis Art Museum – June 16, 2020

There being no further business of the Board, Mr. Campbell moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Chadwick seconded the motion which was unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Harris
Secretary