

**ABRAHAM LINCOLN PRESIDENTIAL LIBRARY AND MUSEUM**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

**MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, October 16, 2024 – 9:30 AM

112 N 6<sup>th</sup> St, Springfield, IL

**Call to Order**

Chairman Johnson called the meeting to order and asked that the roll be called.

Administrative Assistant (AA), Pam Waldeck called the roll.

**Trustees**

***Present***

Gary Johnson, Chair  
Steve Beckett  
Joan Brodsky  
Jessica Harris  
Katheryn Harris  
Jason Lesniewicz  
Dan Monroe  
Martin Sandoval  
Melinda Spitzer Johnston

***Virtual Phone-in Attendance***

Tiffany Mathis Posey

***Absent***

Eunice Santos

***Staff Present***

Christina Shutt, Executive Director  
Christen Stanley, Chief Operating Officer  
Gloria Legette, Chief Legal Counsel  
Jade Kastel, Library Director  
Tammy Miner, Chief Fiscal Officer  
Pam Waldeck, Executive Assistant

A quorum was present.

## **Public Comments**

Chairman Johnson opened the floor for public comments.  
No public comments were presented.

## **Consent Items**

Chairman Johnson requested a motion to approve the April 17, 2024, minutes.

*Trustee Steve Beckett motioned to approve the April 17, 2024, minutes. Trustee Katherine Harris seconded the motion. Motion Carried.*

## **Chairman Report**

Chairman Johnson gave brief comments and expressed gratitude for the work taking place at the ALPLM.

## **Administrative Reports**

### **Executive Director Report**

Executive Director Shutt stated that the ALPLM will be having an exciting exhibition opening focused on Richard Hunt.

Executive Director Shutt announced that the ALPLM will be participating again this year in the holiday walks in downtown area and will be extending hours and that the Nutcracker will be performing live. Also announced were anniversaries of the 20-year volunteer services and the library's 20 years at the ALPLM were highlighted.

Director Shutt updated the board on an acquisition in line with budget guidelines has acquired a tag worn by an enslaved person from Charleston, South Carolina.

Director Shutt gave an update on the Google Authentic Reality Experience project.

### **Chief of Staff Report**

COS Mark Mahoney recognized the staff at the ALPLM and their excellent performance.

An update was given on the solar panels project, backup generators and the humidifier project.

COS Mahoney updated the board on two separate renovations for workspace at the museum and the library as well.

### **Chief Operating Officer Report**

COO Stanley reported on exhibits in the coming year. Including smart tactile accessible for visually impaired guests.

### **Chief Legal Council Report**

CLC Gloria Legette gave a brief report and added that the ALPLM has reached parity regarding equal employment opportunities for women employed. The organization will continue efforts to diversify and continue with the equal opportunities going forward. The affirmative action plan has been submitted and approved for FY 2025.

## **Finance Report**

Chief Fiscal Officer Tammy Miner reported on the general revenue and stated that the fiscal year 2025 public funds and trust fund financial plans are on track and doing as expected.

Trustee Steve Beckett made a request to have access to last years fiscal report to compare to the current report.

### **Library Director**

Director Jade Kastel gave a brief report on the library Director Kastel mentioned that she will have more detailed report for the July ALPLM Trustee meeting.

### **New Business**

Discussion and Vote on Deaccessions

- *Trustee Steven Beckett motioned to approve the deaccessions. Trustee Jason Lesniewicz seconded the motion. Motion carried.*
  
- *Trustee Steven Beckett motioned to approve the November 4, 2024 deaccessions of unreadable microfilm, Trustee Melinda Spitzer Johnston seconded the motion. Motion carried.*

Discussion and Vote on JFK Library Loan

- *Trustee Steven Beckett motioned to approve the JFK library loan. Trustee Tiffany Mathis-Posey seconded the motion. Motion Carried.*

Discussion and Vote on Venue Rental Policy Update

- *Trustee Steven Beckett motioned to approve the updated policy. Trustee Martin Sandoval seconded the motion. Motion Carried.*

### **Old Business**

None

### **Executive Session**

None

### **Adjournment**

*With no further business Chairman Johnson made a motion to adjourn, motion was unanimously seconded. Motion Carried.*

*Meeting adjourned at 10:48 am.*