

**SEATTLE HERITAGE EMERGENCY RESPONSE NETWORK (SHERN)**  
Minutes – Final

Date: December 1, 2023 9:30am-11:00am

Location: Virtual

Present: Sarah Frederick (Museum of Flight), Nicole Davis (Museum of Flight), Erik Bauer (Diocese of Olympia), Camille Davidson (Catholic Archdiocese of Seattle), Geneva Griswold (Seattle Art Museum), Danielle Coyle (King County Archives), Kristopher Strebe (Nordic Museum), Steffi Morrison (Wing Luke Museum), GARY Menges (Retired, West-Pas), Siri Linz (Nordic Museum), Kate Leonard (UW Libraries), Nives Mestrovic (The Frye), Anne Frantilla (Seattle Municipal Archives), Sean Lanksbury (Seattle Public Library), Clara Berg (MOHAI)

Guests: Sophia Lopez (Seattle OEM)

**AGENDA**

- Approve August minutes
  - Minutes approved with no changes.
    - Gary will send a typo correction via email following meeting
- Secretary's report
  - Thank you to Camille for serving in an interim board position for the past few months!
- Treasurer's report
  - Balances from October meeting:
    - *Checking* \$4,792.20
    - *Savings* \$25.00
  - The banking password was changed by Kaia, but not communicated before she left her position. Sarah will try and correct this before the new board takes over in January.
    - Kristopher followed up post meeting with the updated password and current balances.
- Proposed slate of candidates for 2024-2026 (Geneva/Nominating Committee)
  - Slate presented verbally and in chat:
    - Julie Irick, Seattle Municipal Archives
    - Kristopher Strebe, National Nordic Museum
    - Sarah Frederick, Museum of Flight
  - All present voted in favor, quorum reached, board elected

- MoF SHERN Cache Location update (Sarah)
  - MoF's Facilities team extended the fence line around the building, so the SHERN location had to be relocated. It is now on the west side of the building, near the dumpsters. Sarah and Nicole will update the group with a map following the meeting
  - The Supply Subcommittee will work on updated the cache inventory as some additional supplies have been added
  - Plans to identify a secondary cache location will be revisited in the new year
- Webinar reports / other learning opportunities
  - ARCS (Association of Registrars and Collections Specialists) will be offering a textile conservation workshop in April 2024. Sarah will share details once they are announced.
- Updates from members
  - Gary is traveling to Chile and Easter Island later this month
  - SAM: Asian Art Museum recently had an issue with their new HVAC system. A power outage causes leaks in the HVAC lines throughout the entire system, running through galleries. The interim director will be staying on through March 2024.
  - MoF: Do any other organizations have separate disaster response plans for their exhibits departments?
    - SAM does have a loan response plan in place for in the gallery disaster, but the work is handled by the Collections staff not the exhibitions staff
  - Catholic Archdiocese of Seattle: Archives is still in the process of identifying a new location. Current building was recently targeted by copper thieves and vandalism
  - MOHAI: Their rooftop HVAC units were hit by copper thieves this year. Called attention to the fact that there were no cameras or surveillance equipment that captured activities on the top of the building where the units are located.
- Next meetings:
  - February 2<sup>nd</sup> – Virtual or onsite?
    - Seattle Asian Art Museum / Seattle Art Museum may be able to host in Feb. or later
  - April 5<sup>th</sup> – Anyone available to host?
    - Danielle/King County Archives may be able to host

- MoF and Seattle Municipal Archives also offered to host in 2024
- Seattle OEM office also suggested as a potential site if they are able to host.
- New business:
  - Welcome back to Siri! She has filled Kaia's previous role at the National Nordic Museum as the Registrar and Collections Specialist, and will be reengaging with SHERN
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