

DUFFERIN COUNTY MUSEUM TRUST FUND BOARD MINUTES

Tuesday, April 17, 2012



The Museum Trust Fund Board met at 6 p.m. at the Dufferin County Museum

Members Present: Neil Orford (Chair)
Debbie Fawcett
Lynn Goutouski
Renato Iozzo
Catherine Ollerhead De Santis
Jeff Sedgwick

Members Absent: Morley Brown (prior notice)
Councillor John Oosterhof (prior notice)

Staff Present: Wayne Townsend, Director/Curator, DCMA
Darrell Keenie, General Manager, DCMA
Steve Brown, Archivist, DCMA

Chair Orford called the meeting to order at 6:13 pm.

1. DCMA Trust Fund/Operating Board – April 17, 2012 Notes of Last Meeting

The members reviewed the notes of the last meeting held February 21, 2012.

Moved by Jeff Sedgwick, seconded by Renato Iozzo,
THAT the notes of the February 21, 2012 meeting of the DCMA Trust Fund/Operating Board be accepted. –Carried-

2. DCMA Trust Fund/Operating Board – April 17, 2012 Review & Discussion – Name for Public Board

The members discussed the name of the current board. After sharing some ideas, the members agreed on the “Dufferin County Museum & Archives Advisory Board.”

Moved by Jeff Sedgwick, seconded by Catherine Ollerhead De Santis
THAT the DCMA Trust Fund/Operations Board be now called and referred to as the “Dufferin County Museum & Archives Advisory Board.” –Carried-

3. DCMA Trust Fund/Operating Board – April 17, 2012
DCMAHL First Quarter Report - 2012

The first quarter report for the Dufferin County Museum & Archives and Heritage Lands was briefly presented and discussed. Staff provided additional information and commentary on the “Duffstuff” database project.

Moved by Catherine Ollerhead De Santis, seconded by Lynn Goutouski,
THAT the DCMAHL Quarterly Report for the period January 1 to March 31, 2012 be received. –Carried–

4. DCMA Trust Fund/Operating Board – April 17, 2012
Report – Subcommittee for Fundraising

Renato Iozzo provided an overview of the subcommittee's discussions of a possible event to raise funds for the “Duffstuff” database project. Catherine Ollerhead De Santis reviewed her involvement with a fundraiser in Chatham-Kent on the theme of the Titanic Anniversary. The Board discussed the concept of holding a themed event, offering two price points/ticket prices, that would be called “The Time Traveler’s Ball.” The event would feature meal service at two distinct price points (“Upstairs, Downstairs”), presentations/speakers on the theme of 1912/2012, and would take place at an offsite facility. The Board agreed that sponsors for the event will be pursued. DCMA staff are to check on facility availability for November 3, 2012.

Chair Orford relinquished the chair position as he declared an interest in the following agenda item. Jeff Sedgwick assumed the chair position.

5. DCMA Trust Fund/Operating Board – April 17, 2012
Partnership between DCMA & Centre Dufferin District High School

At the request of Chair Sedgwick, Neil Orford provided an overview of the partnership between the DCMA and Centre Dufferin District High School for the purposes of research on Dufferin-based war veterans, and resulting European Battlefield Tours attended by students, faculty, and DCMA representatives in 2008, 2011 and planned for 2013. As a result of the process and efforts to date, more than 5000 names of veterans now reside within the DCMA's Dufferin County Virtual War Memorial database, and more than 90 plaques from Dufferin County, or “bricks,” are displayed at the Juno Beach Centre in France. DCMA staff commented on the partnership, highlighting it as a valuable process and worth pursuing. On an ongoing basis, the DCMA needs to be clear with students about expectations to ensure the completeness and integrity of information on veterans. The issue of a DCMA representative to participate on the 2013 Battlefields Tour was discussed. DCMA staff provided a brief overview, stating that staff members were present on the 2008 Tour, and for the 2011 Tour, a local veteran was sponsored by the DCMA to represent the institution. For the 2013

Tour, the approach of sponsoring a local veteran to represent the DCMA was favoured.

Moved by Renato Iozzo, seconded by Lynn Goutouski,
THAT the partnership between the Dufferin County Museum & Archives (DCMA) and Centre Dufferin District High School for the purposes of military research and European Battlefields Tours be renewed, AND THAT a Dufferin County veteran be identified to represent the DCMA and participate on the next Battlefields Tour planned for 2013. –Carried-

Neil Orford assumed the Chair position.

6. DCMA Trust Fund/Operating Board – April 17, 2012
Business Arising

DCMA staff provided an update on the DCMA website and Duffstuff project, and on the 2012 schedule of events. The Museum's "Annual General Get Together" (AGGT) in May at the South Luther Schoolhouse was highlighted and members were invited to attend and participate.

7. DCMA Trust Fund/Operating Board – April 17, 2012
New Business

None was discussed.

8. DCMA Trust Fund/Operating Board – April 17, 2012
Next Meeting

Tuesday, May 8, 2012 @ 6:00 pm
Dufferin County Museum & Archives
(A light dinner will be available.)

Moved by Lynn Goutouski, seconded by Jeff Sedgwick,
THAT the April 17, 2012 meeting of DCMA Advisory Board be adjourned. –
Carried-

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.