

Lawrence History Center 44rd Annual Meeting Open House September 24, 2022 10:00 AM –10:30 AM

MINUTES

I. Welcome & Introductions

Mark Cutler, President

Mark called the meeting that took place in the Essex Company Stable to order at 10:05 AM. He welcomed guests and thanked LHC board, staff, and volunteers for their efforts across the last year. In celebration of 30 years in the Essex Company Offices & Yard, he introduced a video from October 1992 that captures founder Eartha Dengler (1922-2014) and then president Pamela Yameen cutting the ribbon on the Essex Company Offices & Yard. Chet Sidell, Board Member Emeritus (1941-2018), also shares some remarks: https://vimeo.com/753447092

II. Business Meeting

A. Call to Order Mark Cutler

B. Secretary's Report

Mark Cutler for Sara Morin Barth, Secretary

a. Approval of the Minutes, September 25, 2021

The minutes from the meeting on September 25, 2021 were unanimously approved, with no opposition.

C. Approval of FY2022 Treasurer's Report Mark Svendsen, Treasurer Mark presented the Fy2022 Treasurer's Report for acceptance. His overview included a summary of our revenue and other support, in addition to our expenses and investment account balance.

The FY2022 Treasurer's Report was unanimously approved, with no opposition.

D. Report from Nominating Committee Glennys Sanchez, Vice President Glennys presented the following Board Slate of Candidates, 2022-2023 and introduced two new nominated board members:

Renewing Members:

Director Position(s): Andy Kelley, 2022 – 2025 (2nd term)

New Board Directors: Christian Nuñez, 2022-2025 (1st term)

- a. Approval of Board Slate
 - i. Call for nominations

Hearing no new nominations, the LHC Board Slate for 2022-2023 was unanimously approved, with no opposition.

- Recognition of Outgoing Board Officers and Directors
 After the Board Slate's acceptance by the membership, Glennys also thanked outgoing board member Robert Forrant for his 9 years of service to the board (3 consecutive 3-year terms) and presented him with a gift from the board.
- E. Adjourn

III. FY2022 Director's Report

Susan Grabski

With the adjournment of the business meeting, Susan thanked the LHC Board of Directors for the generosity and talent, the LHC staff and volunteers, as well as all those who supported the operations and programs of the History Center throughout its 44th year. She highlighted major accomplishments of the organization from the LHC *Annual Report*, 2021 | 2022 (http://www.lawrencehistory.org/annualreport/fy2022).

IV. Collection Manager Update

Amita Kiley

Amita and thanked our volunteers and interns for their help and shared some insights about our collections.

We thank our membership for their ongoing support and look forward to another great year in 2023!

Respectfully submitted,
Sara Morin Barth, LHC Board Secretary

The following book event also took place during the day:

Book Event: "Where Are the Workers? Labor's Stories at Museums and Historic Sites"

Co-editor Robert Forrant (UMass Lowell Professor of History and Lawrence History Center Board Member) will provide background for why this new book was put together and its intent. Authors Jim Beauchesne, Kathleen S. Flynn, and Susan Grabski will speak about Chapter 3: Lawrence, Massachusetts and the 1912 Bread and Roses Strike at Street Level: Interpretation Over Time. The book event may be viewed here: https://vimeo.com/755663801

Blacksmithing Saturday at the Essex Company Forge

Demonstration by Richard Wright