

Virginia Museum of Fine Arts
Minutes of the Building Committee Meeting
Wednesday, December 1, 2021, 12:30pm
Conference Room 1

There were present:

Charlie Whitaker, Chair
Marland Buckner
Edie Cabaniss
David Goode *videoconference; health*
Pamela Royal

Absent:

None

By Invitation:

Alex Nyerges, Director and Chief Executive Officer
Jame Anderson, SmithGroup
Belilta Asfaw, SmithGroup
Kay Baker
Candy Banks
Tao Blair, SmithGroup
Caprice Bragg
Lee Ceperich
Stephanie Cooperstein
Mike Gilbert
Tom Gutenberger
Jan Hatchette
Vitus Kaiser, SmithGroup
Curt Manchester, Office of the Attorney General
Bob Mooney
Cindy Norwood, Office of the Attorney General
Casey Nye
Jay Olander, Foundation President
Hossein Sadid
Dayton Schroeter, SmithGroup
Michael Taylor
Chinh Vu, Department of General Services
Chris Wood, SmithGroup
Ting Xu, Foundation Vice President

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Charlie Whitaker called the meeting to order at 12:31pm.

II. MINUTES APPROVAL

Motion: Proposed by Mr. Whitaker and seconded by Dr. Pamela Royal to approve

the minutes of the September 14, 2021 meetings of the Building Committee as distributed. Motion carried.

III. PROJECT UPDATES

Dr. Michael Taylor, Chief Curator and Deputy Director for Art and Education, shared that the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees voted unanimously to employ a Construction Manager at Risk. He then introduced Chinh Vu, Director of Construction Management for Special Projects at the Commonwealth of Virginia's Department of General Services, who will be providing consulting services to the museum during the project.

IV. FINAL PROGRAM VALIDATION

Dr. Taylor reported that SmithGroup has been finalizing the Program Validation stage, and invited Vitus Kaiser, Architect for SmithGroup, to lead a presentation on the Master Plan that has emerged from those conversations and an overview of preliminary recommendations for the expansion and renovation. Ms. Belilta Asfaw, another SmithGroup Architect, described the next steps in the process which include stakeholder engagement, site planning, and concept design.

VI. ADJOURNMENT/OTHER BUSINESS

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:41pm.

Recorded by: Stephanie Cooperstein
Executive Administrator to the Chief Strategy Officer and
Deputy Director for Strategic Planning, Government and Board Relations