The Two Hundred and First Annual Meeting

of

The Rhode Island Historical Society

Thursday, November 10, 2022

Rhode Island State House

5:30 P.M.
2022 Annual Meeting  
For the Fiscal Year 2021-2022  
of  
The Rhode Island Historical Society  

Agenda

Call to Order and Board Chair’s Welcome  
Robert H. Sloan, Jr.  
Chair

Approval of Annual Meeting Minutes –  
November 18, 2021  
Robert H. Sloan, Jr.  
Chair

Treasurer’s Report  
Peter J. Miniati, JD, CFP  
Treasurer

Nominating Committee Report &  
Election of Officers and Trustees,  
2022-2023  
Winifred E. Brownell, Ph.D.  
Nominating/Governance Committee Chair

New Business  
Robert H. Sloan, Jr.  
Chair

Executive Director Remarks  
Our Jubilee Year in Review  
C. Morgan Grefe, Ph.D.  
Executive Director

Closing Remarks and Adjournment  
Robert H. Sloan, Jr.  
Chair

Rhode Island History Maker Award – John Chan  
C. Morgan Grefe, Ph.D.  
Executive Director

Developing New Online Resources  
Richard J. Ring  
Deputy Executive Director for Collections  
and Interpretation
NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2022-2023 BOARD TERM

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RIHS - STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION FYE0622

### ASSETS:

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<th>Category</th>
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<td>Cash and cash Equivalents:</td>
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<td>Operating</td>
<td>461,128</td>
<td>1,461,808</td>
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<td>Investments</td>
<td>1,527,454</td>
<td>894,550</td>
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<td>Accounts Receivable, net</td>
<td>29,290</td>
<td>22,136</td>
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<td>Grants Receivable, net</td>
<td>91,430</td>
<td>48,575</td>
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<td>Promises to give, net</td>
<td>12,198</td>
<td>50,769</td>
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<td>Inventory</td>
<td>16,848</td>
<td>15,195</td>
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<td>Prepaid Expenses and Other Assets</td>
<td>38,476</td>
<td>14,038</td>
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<td>Property and Equipment, net</td>
<td>2,489,856</td>
<td>2,634,150</td>
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<td>Endowment/Investments</td>
<td>21,246,147</td>
<td>25,555,424</td>
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<td>Historically Significant Assets (Note2)</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL ASSETS</strong></td>
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<td>30,696,645</td>
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### LIABILITIES:

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<td>72,832</td>
<td>58,978</td>
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<td>Accrued liabilities</td>
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<td>Payroll and payroll taxes</td>
<td>90,608</td>
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<td>Other</td>
<td>22,022</td>
<td>22,109</td>
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<td>Deferred revenue</td>
<td>26,209</td>
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<td>292,262</td>
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<td><strong>Total Liabilities</strong></td>
<td>211,671</td>
<td>478,321</td>
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### NET ASSETS:

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<td>Undesignated</td>
<td>1,977,658</td>
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<td>Board designated</td>
<td>7,670,059</td>
<td>8,931,473</td>
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<td><strong>Total without donor restrictions</strong></td>
<td>9,647,717</td>
<td>11,128,890</td>
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<td>With donor restrictions</td>
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<td>Purpose Restricted</td>
<td>671,380</td>
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<td>Restricted to temporary endowment</td>
<td>301,169</td>
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<td>15,080,890</td>
<td>15,073,873</td>
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<td><strong>Total with donor restrictions</strong></td>
<td>16,053,439</td>
<td>19,089,434</td>
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<td><strong>Total net assets</strong></td>
<td>25,701,156</td>
<td>30,218,324</td>
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**TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS**

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<td>Board</td>
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<td>Contributions</td>
<td>140,809</td>
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<td>63,429</td>
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<td>Grants</td>
<td>954,597</td>
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<td>70,112</td>
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<td>Bequest income</td>
<td>-</td>
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<td>51,577</td>
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<td>Total Public Support</td>
<td>1,095,406</td>
<td>-</td>
<td>185,118</td>
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Revenue:
- Program revenues: 17,560
- Membership dues: 60,690
- In-kind contributions: 886
- Admissions income: 48,767
- Publications and book sales: 2,376
- Administrative fees: 15,041
- Investment income/(loss), net: (212,190)
- Rental functions income: 78,203
- Miscellaneous income: 21,213
- Special event net: 91,638
- Loss on disposal of property: (5,000)

Net assets released from restrictions:
- Net assets released from restrictions pursuant to endowment spending rate: 1,189,465
- Appropriations of underwater endowment: (35,579)
- Net assets released from restrictions: 210,018

Total Revenue: 1,483,088

Expenses:
- Program Services:
  - Library services: 790,526
  - Museum program: 449,790
  - Woonsocket museum: 396,034
  - Education program: 246,390
  - Total program services: 1,882,740

- Supporting services:
  - Development: 324,946
  - Management and general: 590,567
  - Total supporting services: 915,513

Total Expenses: 2,798,253

CHANGE IN NET ASSETS:
- Net assets released from restrictions pursuant to endowment spending rate: (219,759)
- Total: (7,017)

NET ASSETS, beginning: 2,197,417
NET ASSETS, ending: 1,977,658

The Audit Committee has reviewed the audited financial statements and has voted to accept them as presented.
Signed: Roberta Gosselin, Chair, Audit Committee
CURRENT STAFF LIST

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