

Minutes of the Meeting of the
AFRICAN-AMERICAN MUSEUM BOARD

November 4, 1995

The November meeting of the African-American Museum Board was held Saturday, November 4th, at Grounds for Coffee, 765 Broadway, Tacoma, WA.

The meeting was called to order by President Jackle O'Bannon at 10:30 a.m. Other Board members in attendance were:

Sid Breckenridge, Sr., Ethel Craven-Sweet and Anne Ragin. The Board welcomed a new member, James Bell III from Mt. Vernon. We are glad to have him aboard.

Ethel Craven-Sweet, our Acting Secretary, apologized for not getting the letters mailed to Board members advising them of this meeting and the new day and time, plus the agenda. Telephone calls were made two days before the meeting, but due to the lateness of the notification, several members were unable to attend.

President Jackle stated that the artist of the mural for the Mayor's Exhibit in March 1995 had been paid the final \$1760 owed him.

The Tacoma News Tribune TGIF section printed a notice of the upcoming November 11th Veterans Day program and will print an article on it next week.

Approximately \$7,000 is owed to President Jackle O'Bannon by the Board for loans, etc. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

President Jackle went to Olympia this week to check on our incorporation status and filled out the necessary paperwork and paid the necessary fees to reinstate us. So we are again an official nonprofit organization/corporation in Washington.

President Jackle also stated that we had received our 501(c)(3), charitable/educational status from the Internal Revenue Service. This means that any donation made to the African-American Museum Board is tax deductible. It also means that we are eligible to apply for various grant monies.

President Jackle gave an overview on our upcoming exhibits: Mayors, Military/Veterans and Black History Month. The Military exhibit will be at Evergreen State College, Tacoma on Veterans Day, Saturday, November 11th, 2 p.m. The theme is "SERVICE WITH HONOR: The Role of the African American in the Military." There will be an unveiling of two murals, "1873 Buffalo Soldier" and "99th Tuskegee Airman" painted by artist Edward Claxton.

The Board asked for more time to discuss the Black History month exhibits.