



Willa Cather National Selection Committee  
History Nebraska, Capitol View Room  
1500 R St, Lincoln, NE 68508  
May 24, 2023 - 12:00 p.m.

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## Agenda

### Committee Members:

Rod Bates      Jill Dolberg  
Sara Crook     Timothy Heller  
Jim McKee     Aaron Wyatt

### Guests and Advisors to Committee:

Ashley Olson, Willa Cather Foundation  
Ruth Haley Keene, Willa Cather Foundation  
Littleton Alston, Sculptor  
Katie Brossy, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP  
Mike Zeleny, Vice Chancellor, Business & Finance, UNL

- Call to Order and Welcome – **Chair, Sara Crook**
  - Notice to Press/Open Meeting Act and Roll Call of Members
  - Approval of Minutes for the Meeting on Thursday, May 4, 2023
  - Approval of Minutes for the Meeting on Wednesday, May 17, 2023
  
- Washington DC Update - **Katie Brossy**
  - Update on Reception Venue
  - Update on Congressional Delegation Remarks
  - Update on Cather Statue Moving Process
  - Nebraska Breakfast Information
  
- Subcommittee for the Dedication Ceremony - **Chair, Sara Crook**
  - Members: Rod Bates, Tim Heller, Ashley Olson
    - Update on Unveiling of Statue - **Ashley Olson**  
Abby Camp, Cather nephew, Littleton Alston
    - Update on Invocation and Benediction - **Tim Heller**  
Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church
    - Update on Reading - **Sara Crook**  
Lora Black
    - Musical Special - **Littleton Alston and Ashley Olson**

- Subcommittee for the Reception - **Chair, Sara Crook**
  - Members: Tim Heller, Ashley Olson, Mike Zeleny
    - Update on Medallions and Boxes - **Jill Dolberg**
    - Update on Reception Program - **Ashley Olson**
    - Update on Reception Remarks - **Sara Crook**
    - Update on UNL Chancellor's Office - **Mike Zeleny**
    - Reception Venue - **Mike Zeleny**
  
- Subcommittee for the Invitation List - **Chair, Aaron Wyatt**
  - Members: Rod Bates, Ashley Olson, Jill Dolberg, Ruth Haley Keene
    - Update on Invitation List
  
- Subcommittee for Public Relations - **Ashley Olson and Mike Zeleny**
  - Press Release
  - Media Coverage
  
- Travel Costs and Reimbursement Process - **Jill Dolberg**
  
- Thank Yous - Post Dedication

Adjourn