

**Capitol Hill Restoration Society Board Meeting
Minutes for March 15, 2016
Second Floor Board Room, Capitol Hill Townhomes Community Building**

Present:

Lisa Dale Jones, Adam Apton, Susan Burgerman, Patrick Crowley, Susan Oursler, Scott Davis, Beth Purcell, Elizabeth Nelson, Monte Edwards, Gloria Junge, Gary Peterson, Mary Wadleigh, Patti Martin, Ryan Moody, Steven Kehoe, Carl Spier

Guest: Mimi Wolf

Meeting Minutes: Gloria Junge

The minutes of the February meeting - due to a computer problem- did not include the updated minutes.

The correct minutes will be resent.

Nominating Committee: Susan Oursler

The Nominating Committee has met several times. All nominations are accepted until April 12. The final nominations are needed by April 18 to ensure they are in time for the April newsletter. There have been good ideas for the CHRS President which is very important as the right person is vital.

President's Report:

Lisa welcomed new CHRS board member Steve Kehoe as Communications Chair. There was a proposal to add a Dick Wolf Lecture Chair to the CHRS Board. After discussion on the pros and cons of doing it at this board meeting, it was decided to wait until the CHRS Retreat.

Lisa provided a brief progress assessment based on goals Sent from my iPhone

What CHRS will aim to do in 2015-16

Five year plan with ideas from the flip chart

Discussion around looking 5 years out

Projections for Capitol Hill 20 years out

The Quarterly Members meeting will be held at Maury Elementary. The annual meeting will be held at Congressional Cemetery.

Treasurer's Report: Adam Apton

Adam's gave a summary of the CHRS Quarterly Report which is for January 1 thru the end of March 2016. Membership revenue is down and there have been less expenses this quarter.

Membership Committee: Patti Martin

Patti stressed that CHRS needs to resonate with the many new young families on the

Hill. Many do not know CHRS exists, what CHRS does and has accomplished. CHRS needs to communicate more effectively and become more visible. the CHRS data base has problems and needs improvement. Patti and Susan Oursler have contacted outside tech firms that support non-profits as a benchmark for CHRS.

DCPL Application: Susan Burgerman

Susan provided a summary of the D C Preservation League award.

City Planning: Monte Edwards

Monte included an update in the agenda on the 2016 Dick Wolf Memorial Lecture. The updated included a summary of the publicity, the actual event, the Speaker and the Program.

House Tour: Patrick Crowley

Patrick discussed his written report included in the agenda.

Since the original House Tour Manager withdrew from her contract, a new manager - Olivia Merlino - was hired to begin on February 29. She lined up 14 houses in under two weeks.

The House Tour themes are:

Archibald Walk

Renovated Homes

Original District homes

Gardens

Public Institutions

Historic Preservation: Beth Purcell

All the Capitol Hill HRPB cases for February went on the consent calendar so there was no CHRS testimony.

Beth gave an update on CHRS testimony on the Boys and Girls Club at Council oversight hearing on DMPED, March 2.

The Kingman Park Civic Association has filed a historic district application. HPO plans to initiate online filing and tracking of applications.

There is concern about 'popbacks' in other parts of D.C.

CHRS is a consulting party on Union Station.

Zoning: Gary Peterson

Gary included - in the agenda - a summary of two Zoning Commission cases at its March 10, 2015 meeting:

ZC15-13 is a PUD application to build 44 residential units at 1311 E Street, SE. The Committee found the design to be compatible with the neighborhood and voted to support the application.

ZC-16-03 is the first case involving the HE (Hill East) zoning category that applies to Reservation 13.

The Committee voted to approved the application except for the design of the rear of the buildings.

Lower 8th Street Meeting: Chuck Burger

Chuck included a summary of the Stakeholders meeting held on March 9th in the agenda package.

There was a roundtable discussion regarding the continuation of the "Vision Process" with stakeholders, affected developers and representatives from D.C. Planning, ANC, Council Member Allen and CHRS.

Community Relations: Elizabeth Nelson

The Volunteer Capitol Hill Fair will be held the Saturday before the House Tour.

The meeting ended at 8:25 pm.