

GOVERNOR'S CONSULTING COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

100 Community Place
Crownsville, Maryland 21032

March 3, 2015

Committee members present:

Dr. Julie Ernstein (via email)
Dr. Richard Longstreth
Mr. Peter Pearre
Mrs. Nancy Schamu (via email)
Dr. Damie Stillman
Mr. Robert Vogel

Committee members not present:

Staff members present:

Jan Gowing
Peter Kurtze

Visitors present:

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m. by Chairman Longstreth.

The minutes of the October 7, 2014 were considered and accepted in a motion made by Dr. Stillman and seconded by Mr. Pearre. The motion was carried unanimously.

Nominations considered:

McDONOGH PLACE HISTORIC DISTRICT: Baltimore City

Presented by: Peter Kurtze
Criteria Considered: A, C
Criteria Recommended: A, C

This is essentially a block that was excluded from a larger historic district.

Mr. Vogel pointed out that there were a lot of copy editing errors in the nomination. Dr. Longstreth mentioned several poor word choices within the nomination.

A motion to accept the nomination was made by Mr. Pearre and seconded by Dr. Stillman. Dr. Ernstein and Mrs. Schamu voted in favor via email. The motion was carried unanimously.

AUCHENTOROLY TERRACE HISTORIC DISTRICT: Baltimore City

Presented by: Peter Kurtze
Criteria Considered: A, C
Criteria Recommended: A, C

The Committee found it hard to match what was written about with the illustrations. Mr. Vogel pointed out that Gwynns Falls should not have an apostrophe S. Once again, immigrate and emigrate are confused. Mr. Pearre would like to see the period of significance begun earlier to include some major properties in the area. He also discovered that there is a wrong date for the opening of the Baptist church and that the Baltimore architect, George Frederick was not mentioned. There were several landmarks that were mentioned, but had no photograph included in the nomination for them. Dr. Longstreth corrected usage of several words and descriptions.

A motion to accept the nomination was made by Mr. Vogel and seconded by Dr. Stillman. Dr. Ernstein and Mrs. Schamu voted in favor via email. The motion was carried unanimously.

EDMONDSON VILLAGE HISTORIC DISTRICT: Baltimore City

Presented by: Peter Kurtze
Criteria Considered: A, C
Criteria Recommended: A, C

Mr. Pearre questioned why William Donald Schaefer's name wasn't mentioned in the nomination, when he spent 95% of his life in the area. Mr. Vogel pointed out the word cement was used instead of concrete and that the writer misspelled the word quoins as coins.

A motion to accept the nomination was made by Dr. Longstreth and seconded by Dr. Stillman. Dr. Ernstein and Mrs. Schamu voted in favor via email. The motion was carried unanimously.

MIDTOWN EDMONDSON HISTORIC DISTRICT: Baltimore City

Presented by: Peter Kurtze
Criteria Considered: A, C
Criteria Recommended: A, C

Mr. Pearre questioned whether there were gas stations in a community as early as 1910? Dr. Longstreth corrected the words “larger builders” to say large scale builders.

A motion to accept the nomination was made by Dr. Longstreth and seconded by Mr. Vogel. Dr. Ernstein and Mrs. Schamu voted in favor via email. The motion was carried unanimously.

FEDERALSBURG WEST HISTORIC DISTRICT: Caroline County

Presented by: Peter Kurtze
Criteria Considered: A, C
Criteria Recommended: A, C

A motion to accept the nomination was made by Dr. Stillman and seconded by Mr. Vogel. Dr. Ernstein and Mrs. Schamu voted in favor via email. The motion was carried unanimously.

PEACE CROSS: Prince George’s County

Presented by: Peter Kurtze
Criteria Considered: A, C
Criteria Recommended: A, C

The Peace Cross was erected as a memorial to the forty-nine men of Prince George’s County who died in World War I. This nomination was proposed by an organization called “Save the Peace Cross.” An atheist organization has filed suit to have the cross taken down and SPC hopes that placing it on the National Register may help to save it.

Dr. Longstreth feels the nomination disregards the overall landscape.

A motion to accept the nomination by Mr. Pearre and seconded by Dr. Longstreth. Dr. Ernstein and Mrs. Schamu voted in favor via email. The motion was carried unanimously.

Other Business:

Next meeting date: Tuesday, October 13, 2015, 10 a.m.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m., in motion made by Mr. Pearre and seconded by Dr. Longstreth. The motion was carried unanimously.