

Minutes
Capitol Preservation Commission
3:00 p.m. – December 20, 2012
Room 412 C
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

The Meeting Notice was filed with the Office of the Secretary of State in accordance with the Open Meeting Act.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Linda Edmondson
Judy Johnson
Doug Kellogg
Lou Kerr
Mark Liotta
Duane Mass
Paul Meyer
John Morrison
James Pickel
Emmy Stidham
Trait Thompson
Louis Trost
Larry Warden

MEMBERS ABSENT: Brian Downs
Richard Ellwanger

OTHERS ATTENDING: Beverly Hicks – OMES/Division of Capital Assets Management
Steve Taylor – Chief Justice of the Supreme Court
Kim Baker – Oklahoma Arts Council
Dana Webb – OMES
Dedra Blackwell – OMES
Karl Kramer – Assistant Attorney General
Charles Ford – OSSHP Fund, Inc.
Clint Stone – Oklahoma Arts Council
Dana Webb – OMES
Jim Halligan – Oklahoma State Senate
Lynn Mills – Secretary of State's Office
Robert White – A & M Board
Jessica Russell – A & M Board

Determination of Quorum and Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Warden. The roll was taken and it was ascertained that a quorum was present. Vice-Chair Warden then introduced two new members of the Commission: Ms. Judy Johnson (appointed by the Senate) and Ms. Emmy Stidham (President of the Oklahoma Historical Society).

Discussion and possible action on Minutes of the October 18, 2012 Meeting

Mr. Pickel made a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Kerr seconded the motion. The motion carried with unanimous aye votes. None opposed.

Discussion and possible action to waive Administrative Rule 115:10-1-2-(d) which states, "Such persons shall have been dead for a minimum of ten (10) years."

Vice-Chair Warden informed the Commission that the administrative rule couldn't be waived. It can only be changed by a formal rule change. This item will be addressed at a later time.

Discussion and possible action on acceptance and placement of a 32"x 42" oil on linen portrait of Boone Pickens

The recommendation of the Arts Standards Committee is for the CPC to accept the portrait of T. Boone Pickens from the Senate Historical Preservation Fund under Title 115, Capitol Preservation Commission, 115:10-1-2.1 (e), noncommissioned art works, using a deed of gift with no restrictions.

The Committee further recommends that it be placed on the second floor near the portrait of Sam Walton and that the signage resemble that used for the Walton portrait.

Ms. Edmondson made a motion to the T. Boone Pickens portrait. Mr. Trost seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Linda Edmondson - yes; Judy Johnson - yes; Doug Kellogg - yes; Lou Kerr - yes; Mark Liotta - yes; Duane Mass - yes; Paul Meyer - no; John Morrison - yes; James Pickel - yes; Emmy Stidham - yes; Trait Thompson - yes; Louis Trost - yes; Larry Warden - no. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible action on moratorium on future paintings in the Capitol until such time as the lighting and renovation issues have been appropriately addressed.

The Arts Standards Committee recommends that the Capitol Preservation Commission declare a moratorium on accepting new works of art to be loaned or donated or commissioned for donation until the problems of light damage and building renovation and restoration are settled, or the moratorium is lifted by the Commission. The CPC should use this pause in acquisitions to develop a "collecting plan" for the future. The moratorium should be reviewed at least annually. This moratorium does not include three works in progress: The Pickens portrait, the Ellison portrait, and the bronze bust of Governor Mary Fallin for the Hall of Governors.

Ms. Edmondson made a motion to accept moratorium on accepting future paintings. Mr. Pickel seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Linda Edmondson - yes; Judy Johnson - yes; Doug Kellogg - yes; Lou Kerr - yes; Mark Liotta - yes; Duane Mass - yes; Paul Meyer - yes; John Morrison - yes; James Pickel - yes; Emmy Stidham - yes; Trait Thompson - yes; Louis Trost - yes; Larry Warden - yes. Motion carried.

Ms. Edmondson will get with Chairman Ellwanger to see about making a public announcement regarding the above issue.

Discussion and possible on adoption of a resolution supporting the funding of an existing Arts Council FTE with the purpose of that position serving as Collections' Manager for the Capitol art collections.

The Art Standards Committee recommends that the Capitol Preservation Commission support refunding an existing full-time FTE on the Arts Council staff to serve as a full-time Collections Manager for the Capitol Art Collection beginning in FY 2014.

Ms. Edmondson made a motion to fund an existing full-time FTE to serve as Collections Manager. Mr. Pickel seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Linda Edmondson - yes; Judy Johnson - yes; Doug Kellogg - yes; Lou Kerr - yes; Mark Liotta - yes; Duane Mass - yes; Paul Meyer - yes; John Morrison - yes; James Pickel - yes; Emmy Stidham - yes; Trait Thompson - abstain; Louis Trost - yes; Larry Warden - yes. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible action on approving the Secretary of State's design of a new Constitution display within the 1st floor rotunda area.

Mr. Mass presented information regarding the system used to protect the Constitution. And despite there being unanswered concerns regarding safety of the document (cabinet design, humidity control, etc.), it was decided to go ahead with the vote.

Mr. Mass made a motion to approve the new Constitution display. Mr. Morrison seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Linda Edmondson - yes; Judy Johnson - yes; Doug Kellogg - yes; Lou Kerr - yes; Mark Liotta - yes; Duane Mass - yes; Paul Meyer - abstain; John Morrison - yes; James Pickel - yes; Emmy Stidham - yes; Trait Thompson - yes; Louis Trost - yes; Larry Warden - no. Motion carried.

Update on the Capitol tours for legislators.

All legislators were contacted with information regarding proposed tour dates and times. The tours were started on October 25th. As of this date, the response has not been as good as expected, with only 11 Senators and 6 Representatives touring the Capitol, and 10 Senators and 4 Representatives signed up to tour in January. OETA is doing a documentary on the state of the Capitol that will air in January. Several members of the committee have been interviewed for the documentary.

Collections' Manager Report

Clint Stone reported that all of the loan agreement paperwork has been completed for the watercolor sketch "Pro Patria" and the portrait of Frank Phillips by Wayne Cooper.

A portrait by Paul Hallwig of Governor J.B.A. Robertson was gifted to the Governor's office. Upon examination, it was noted that the portrait has some severe damage which would require significant conservation before it could be used. It was suggested that the Governor gift the portrait to the Oklahoma History Center, and that suggestion has been accepted by the Governor's office.

New Business

Mr. Meyer pointed out that two of many statues that will go in the stair niches have been installed, one being a Harold Holden submission for the west niche of the fourth floor, and the other being a Mike Larson submission for the east niche of the fourth floor. Friends of the Capitol funded these and have authorized to get four more statues.

Also, the first floor media center is partially up and operational. Interactive programs are being worked on and will be up and functioning in the near future.

Adjournment

With no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:52 p.m.