

Minutes

Meeting of the Capitol Preservation Commission
3:00 p.m. – December 17, 2009
Room 412 C State Capitol Building
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Richard Ellwanger
Doug Kellogg
Duane Mass
Paul Meyer
John Richard
Louis Trost
Dian Wadley
James Waldo
Larry Warden
Chad Warmington
Paul Ziriaux

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Sharon Gowdy
Lou Kerr
Kym Thompson
Susan Winchester

OTHERS ATTENDING: Brenda DeShazo, Department of Central Services
Suzanne Tate, Arts Council
Debra Schwartz, AG's office
Charles Ford

Determination of Quorum and Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Richard Ellwanger, Chair and it was ascertained that a quorum was present.

Discussion and possible action on Minutes of the October 15, 2009 Meeting

Paul Meyer moved approval of the Minutes of the October 15, 2009 meeting, seconded by Duane Mass. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible action on displaying the 1919 oil painting of TeAta on the 2nd floor, north hall

Mr. Meyer said the Arts Standards Committee approved the painting subject to the proper paperwork giving ownership to the state and it being reframed by the Senate Preservation Commission. Vote cast were as follows: Richard Ellwanger, yes; Duane Mass, yes; Paul Meyer, yes; John Richard, yes; Louis Trost, yes; Dian Wadley, yes; James Waldo, yes; Larry Warden, yes; Chad Warmington, yes; and Paul Ziriaux, yes. Motion carried.

Mr. Ford was present to answer questions by the members.

Discussion and possible action on the placement of the Ten Commandments Monument

Mr. Mass told those present that the Architecture and Grounds committee reviewed possible locations for placement of the Ten Commandments monument and selected a site on the northeast side of the Capitol. The monument will face out towards the North Mall and the Oklahoma Tribal Flag Plaza in a serene, reflective setting. Mr. Meyer stated that the placement of monuments and sculptures in this area has been on the Commission's wish list for many years and that the Ten Commandments monument would be the first element in creating what would ultimately be a sculpture garden surrounding the Capitol.

Much discussion was held on the issue of location, as some members of the Commission preferred a site on the south side of the Capitol, closer to the southeast entrance and more foot-traffic.

Votes cast were as follows for the Monument to be placed on the northeast side of the capitol: Richard Ellwanger, yes; Doug Kellogg, yes; Duane Mass, yes; Paul Meyer, yes; John Richard, yes; Louis Trost, no; Dian Wadley, yes; James Waldo, yes; Larry Warden, no; Chad Warmington, no; and Paul Ziriaux, no. Motion carried.

Discussion and possible action on upgrading security cameras in the Capitol

This Agenda item was tabled for the next meeting. No action was taken.

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.