

**Minutes**  
**Capitol Preservation Commission**  
3:00 p.m. – February 16, 2012  
Room 512 A  
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:**

Richard Ellwanger  
Larry Warden  
Linda Edmondson  
Doug Kellogg  
Lou Kerr  
Duane Mass  
Paul Meyer  
Kym Thompson  
Louis Trost

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Brian Downs  
Mark Liotta  
John Morrison

**OTHERS ATTENDING:**

Beverly Hicks – Department of Central Services  
Kim Baker – Oklahoma Arts Council  
Amber Sharples – Oklahoma Arts Council  
Karl Kramer – Office of the Attorney General  
Bob Craig – Former CPC Member  
Rick Wright – Architect – Conservation Assessment Program  
Trait Thompson – Senate Legislative Director  
Katie Altshuler - Governor's Office

**Determination of Quorum and Call to Order**

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

**Discussion and possible action on Minutes of the February 16, 2012 Meeting**

Vice-Chairman Warden moved approval of the Minutes with Mr. Mass seconding the motion. The January 12, 2012 Minutes were unanimously approved by the Commission as presented.

**Discussion and action on final approval of framing of Dr. John Hope Franklin portrait**

Vice-Chairman Warden made the Commission aware that the Art Standards Committee voted to recommend to the Commission that the framing of the Dr. John Hope Franklin portrait be accepted as presented.

Ms. Sharples made the Commission aware that the reverse of the painting was backed with a rigid Coroplast protective sheet. The addition of the Coroplast was in response to the recommendations made by Mary Frederickson, the conservator that performed the Capitol's IMLS conservation assessment. Ms. Sharples stated that the Arts Council wished to begin integrating Mrs. Frederickson's suggestions into the commissioned pieces they handle to set a precedent for all future works that follow into the Capitol collection.

Vice-Chairman Warden recommended on behalf of the Art Standards Committee that the Commission accept the frame; the roll call vote was as follows: Linda Edmondson; yes, Richard Ellwanger; yes, Doug Kellogg; yes, Lou Kerr; yes, Duane Mass; yes, Paul Meyer; yes, Kym Thompson; yes, Louis Trost; yes, Larry Warden; aye. Motion carried.

**Discussion and possible action on the Capitol Art signage project**

Vice-Chairman Warden asked that this item be tabled as the Art Standards committee wished the Arts Council to provide more examples of proposed verbiage.

**Discussion and possible action on glass beaded bouquet by Rachael Z. McCampbell, gifted to the Governor's Mansion under Bellmon Administration**

Vice-Chairman Warden gave the Commission a history of the beaded floral bouquet received under the Bellmon administration. The piece was removed at some undetermined time from the mansion and subsequently found by the donor's family. They have returned it to the State for placement in the mansion. After much discussion of where it should go and who will be ultimately responsible for the care of the artifact, this agenda item was tabled by Chairman Ellwanger for further research and will be an action item at the next meeting on April 19, 2012.

**Discussion and possible action on revised proposal for fire extinguisher cabinets on 4<sup>th</sup> Floor**

Capitol Architect Duane Mass informed the Commission that the locations previously discussed to place the new fire extinguisher cabinets would not allow for the cabinets to be fully recessed into the wall. Those locations would, however, accommodate partially inset cabinets that would protrude from the wall. After much discussion, Chairman Ellwanger asked Mr. Mass to find different locations near the stairwells in which the cabinets can be fully recessed. Mr. Mass is to bring options to the April meeting for final approval. Mr. Meyer indicated that this could possibly delay the maquette project funded by Friends of the Capitol, but that an appropriate resolution to the cabinet issue should be arrived at first. Chairman Ellwanger iterated that this will set the standard for what we do at the other floors. No action was taken.

**Discussion and possible action on stone masonry repair and re-pointing of Governor's Mansion**

Mr. Mass informed the Commission that the stonework in the Governor's Mansion is in need of complete re-pointing and asked the Commission to approve the scope of the repair work in concept so that he and DCS may move forward in obtaining bids and other necessary project information. Mr. Mass also indicated that once the project was underway, that he would require field inspections to ensure that the work was done properly. He indicated that Robert Hernandez would be responsible for those reviews.

Chairman Ellwanger asked for a roll call vote to approve the project in concept and the vote was as follows: Linda Edmondson; yes, Richard Ellwanger; yes, Doug Kellogg; yes, Lou Kerr; yes, Duane Mass; yes, Paul Meyer; yes, Kym Thompson; yes, Louis Trost; yes, Larry Warden; yes. Motion carried.

**Discussion and possible action on approving placement of “bronze-colored” buffalo statue on grounds of Governor’s Mansion**

Mr. Mass informed Commission members that, by statute, the Commission must approve only art of museum quality for placement in the public space of the Mansion or on its grounds. The article proposed as part of this request is a commercially-produced, painted aluminum buffalo and does not therefore appear to meet the statute’s standards. Mr. Mass asked that this item be tabled until more information can be gathered, including other options for providing an artwork for the Mansion grounds.

**Summary Presentation of Architectural Report provided through the Conservation Assessment Program grant**

Richard Wright, an architect from Dallas, TX gave the Commission and its guests an architectural assessment of the Oklahoma State Capitol Building, by virtue of the Conservation Assessment Program. The hour-long presentation, which was based on a two-day site visit made in June of 2011, covered, in general terms, the findings of his assessment of the Capitol building’s collections, physical structure, environmental systems, electrical systems and plumbing systems.

**New Business**

Chairman Ellwanger made the Commission aware there will be a presentation on the Conservators Report at the April meeting.

**Adjournment**

With no additional business the meeting was adjourned at 4:47 p.m.