

**MINUTES**  
**CHARLOTTESVILLE HISTORIC RESOURCES COMMITTEE**  
**Monday April 12, 2010 \* 11:00 a.m. – Noon**  
**NDS Conference Room \* 610 East Market Street**  
**Revised**

**Members Present:**

Mary Hill Caperton  
Helena Devereux, Co-Chair  
Steven Meeks  
Melanie Miller, Co-Chair  
Ingrid Smyer-Kelly

Laura Purvis, staff

**Members Absent:**

Mark Beliles  
Winston Gooding  
Genevieve Keller

Helena Devereux called the meeting to order at 11:05.

**1. *Approval of Minutes – March 8, 2010***

Corrections:

- Page 1 - Change “Mille” to “Miller”
  - Add Steven Meeks to Members absent list
  - Change “Steve” to “Steven”
- Page 2 - Remove “-“ and insert “I” in Mark Beliles comment within the *February 18 PAPA Meeting* discussion
  - Remove semicolon from Helena Devereux’s comment under *February 18 PAPA Meeting*
  - Add “2012” to date the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary in Mark Beliles comment
  - Remove colon under *Education and Public Meetings* in Helena Devereux’s first comment

Ms. Mary Hill Caperton moved to approve the minutes. Ms. Melanie Miller seconded the motion. All were in favor.

**2. *2010 Annual Plan***

*Discussion of Old Jail*

Mr. Steven Meeks announced that talks are currently in progress for the Historical Society to work towards preserving the Old Jail. Ms. Helena Devereux suggested that the Historic Resources Committee could offer assistance where needed.

**(11:15)** Ingrid Smyer-Kelly Arrived

Ms. Devereux indicated that the Old Jail should remain an item on the annual plan so that the committee could stay updated on the project’s progress.

*Additional Changes*

Ms. Melanie Miller suggested that the plan be formatted in bullet points for clarity. Ms. Devereux suggested that the plan be adopted and revisited for necessary revisions throughout the year.

Mr. Meeks moved to adopt the 2010 Annual Plan

Ms. Miller seconded the motion.

**All in favor**

**3. *Re-Confirm Committees and Committee Leaders***

Ms. Devereux opened the discussion of sub-committees and committee leaders. Ms. Caperton indicated her willingness to be part of the public commemoration committee. As chair of the publications committee, Ms. Caperton initiated a discussion of the website and any necessary updates. Ms. Laura Purvis (staff) updated the committee on the revisions that she had made and asked for any feedback.

Ms. Devereux noted that the Old Jail is the only item listed under Special Projects. Mr. Meeks discussed the renovation and restoration work proposed for the Old Jail and indicated that the Historical Society would welcome input on potential exhibits and programs. Ms. Devereux noted that many public officials are interested in prison reform and there could be ways to generate interest in the project by contacting senators or representatives.

**4. *Other Business***

**a. *Recap McGuffey School National Register marker ceremony April 2, 2010***

Ms. Devereux noted that there was a high turn out for the ceremony. Speakers included Richard Thrift, who wrote the National Register nomination, Marcia Invernizzi, Director of the McGuffey Reading Center at UVA, Charlottesville Mayor Dave Norris, and Russell Richard, Artist at McGuffey Art Center.

**b. *Choose tentative dates for Burley Marker ceremony***

Ms. Devereux moved to delay considering dates until Mr. Winston Gooding and Ms. Mary Joy Scala are present. All agreed.

***McIntire Celebration***

Mr. Meeks noted that an “Evening with McIntire” is currently being planned and will be a fundraiser for the Historical Society. The exhibit on McIntire will be up in time for that event on May 22. A graveside service at Maplewood Cemetery is planned for his birthday on May 28<sup>th</sup>. A state resolution has been approved recognizing McIntire and the Albemarle Charlottesville Historical Society is hoping to get similar resolutions from the City of Charlottesville and Albemarle County. Ms. Miller indicated that the surrounding community might be interested in assisting with the events.

***Transit Center Display Boards***

Ms. Caperton suggested that the committee should consider purchasing new display boards. Ms. Devereux indicated that some work had already been completed and would like to meet with Ms. Miller and staff about moving forward with new display boards.

***Revolution at Court Square***

Ms. Devereux opened the discussion of Mr. Mark Beliles request for funding and a staffed Historic Resources Committee table for the “Revolution at Court Square” event on May 1. Ms. Caperton moved not to participate due to time constraints and lack of information about the event. Mr. Meeks seconded the motion.

**All in favor**

**5. *Goals for next meeting (Monday May 10)***

Ms. Devereux inquired about the goals for next meeting and outlined two:

Our discussion topics for next meeting:

- 1) Formatting and reprinting brochures
- 2) Get information for the next transit center display

Ms. Purvis mentioned two items that were deferred to the next meeting:

- 1) Would the HRC be interested in purchasing a scanner to create digital copies of the Landmarks Survey forms
- 2) Discuss options for advertising open HRC position. There had been some discussion of announcing the vacancy at the beginning of a BAR meeting, listing it on the website, and emailing the opening to neighborhood associations.

**6. *Meeting Adjourned 12:05***

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