

SOUTH DAKOTA STATE HISTORICAL SOCIETY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES
Best Western Ramkota, Badlands Room
Rapid City, South Dakota
April 26, 2018

Call to Order

The meeting of the South Dakota State Historical Society Board of Trustees was called to order by President Brad Tennant on April 26, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. in the Badlands Room of the Best Western Ramkota, Rapid City, South Dakota. A quorum was present.

Board Members Present

John D. Fowler-by speaker phone, Richard D. Harnois, Robert E. Kolbe, Laurie Langland, Peggy Sanders, Rolene R. Schliesman, Brad Tennant, Tom D. Tobin, Francis Whitebird and David A. Wolff.

Board Members Not Present

Jeffery A. Hazard and John Lauck.

State Historical Society Staff Present

Jay D. Vogt, Michael Fosha, Chelle Somsen, Ted Spencer, Nancy T. Koupal, Jay Smith, Liz Almlie, Jenna Carlson Dietmeier, Kate Nelson, and Caroline C. Uecker.

Others Present

Don Kirkegaard, Pierre.

Welcome and Announcements

President Brad Tennant welcomed the members of the board, staff of the South Dakota State Historical Society, and guests. Tennant introduced Don Kirkegaard, Secretary for the South Dakota Department of Education. Kirkegaard gave a history of his background and wished the Society staff and trustees well.

Board Minutes

Minutes of the Board of Trustees' meeting of December 8, 2017 were mailed to the members of the Board of Trustees after the meeting. A MOTION TO APPROVE the minutes of December 8, 2017 was made by Peggy Sanders and seconded by Laurie Langland. Motion prevailed unanimously on a roll call vote with nine ayes. Members voting aye: Fowler, Harnois, Kolbe, Langland, Sanders, Schliesman, Tennant, Whitebird, and Wolff.

Tom D. Tobin joined the meeting at this time.

State Review Board

The State Review Board convened at 1:10 p.m.

National Register Nominations

State Historic Preservation Office staff presented five nominations for review.

Presented by Liz Almlie:

- 1) Hot Springs Historic District Amendment (boundary decrease and reclassification), Hot Springs, Fall River County.

The Hot Springs Historic District is locally significant under Criteria A and C. It is significant under Criterion A for Commerce and Health/Medicine. It is significant under Criterion C for

Architecture. A MOTION WAS MADE by Peggy Sanders and seconded by Rolene Schliesman to recommend the approval of the nomination of the Hot Springs Historic District Amendment to the National Register of Historic Places. Motion prevailed unanimously on a roll call vote with ten ayes. Members voting aye: Fowler, Harnois, Kolbe, Langland, Sanders, Schliesman, Tennant, Tobin, Whitebird and Wolff.

Trustee Schliesman recommended adding styles and types of buildings in Section 7 descriptions, adding to statements of integrity and boundary justification, and including a master list of the addresses in numerical/alphabetical order. Trustee Wolff recommended adding historic uses and modern uses to Section 7 descriptions. Trustees Schliesman, Wolff, Kolbe, and Sanders also recommended several minor editing corrections.

- 2) Yankton Historic Commercial District 2018 Amendment (boundary decrease and reclassification), Yankton, Yankton County.

The Yankton Historic Commercial District is significant at the local level under National Register Criteria A and C and in the areas of architecture and commerce within the period of significance of 1869 to 1920. A MOTION WAS MADE by Rolene Schliesman and seconded by David Wolff to recommend the Yankton Historic Commercial District to the National Register of Historic Places. Motion prevailed unanimously on a roll call vote with ten ayes. Members voting aye: Fowler, Harnois, Kolbe, Langland, Sanders, Schliesman, Tennant, Tobin, Whitebird and Wolff. Trustee Schliesman recommended adding statements of integrity, reviewing the eligibility of 209 and 211 E. 3rd as wood buildings, and editing the discussion of architects. Trustees Kolbe and Wolff recommended additional editing corrections.

- 3) Hyde County Memorial Auditorium, Highmore, Hyde County.

The Hyde County Memorial Auditorium is nominated to the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A for its local significance to entertainment and recreation for Hyde County, and under Criterion C as a local example of the combination of Art Deco and Art Modern styles of architecture in the immediate postwar era. A MOTION WAS MADE by David Wolff and seconded by Robert Kolbe to recommend the approval of the nomination of the Hyde County Memorial Auditorium Amendment to the National Register of Historic Places. Motion prevailed unanimously on a roll call vote with ten ayes: Members voting aye: Fowler, Harnois, Kolbe, Langland, Sanders, Schliesman, Tennant, Tobin, Whitebird and Wolff.

Trustee Schliesman recommended adding the birth and death dates of the architect and adding architectural styles to the descriptions of building features. Trustee Wolff recommended confirming whether the gym ceiling and front doors were historic.

- 4) Long View Stock Farm, Gann Valley, Buffalo County.

The Long View Stock Farm is being nominated for the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A for agricultural history. A MOTION WAS MADE by Rolene Schliesman and seconded by Richard Harnois to recommend the approval of the nomination of the Long View Stock Farm to the National Register of Historic Places. Motion prevailed unanimously on a roll call vote with ten ayes: Members voting aye: Fowler, Harnois, Kolbe, Langland, Sanders, Schliesman, Tennant, Tobin, Whitebird and Wolff.

Trustee Schliesman recommended adding landscape features as contributing resources, confirming whether the cellar was a separate resource, adding map key coding to the written text, and expanding the period of significance.

5) Burial Mounds in South Dakota, 50 B.C.-A.D. c. 1875, Statewide, Multiple Property Documentation Form.

The Burial Mounds in South Dakota Multiple Property Listing's period of significance is 50 B.C. to A.D. c. 1875. It begins at the start of the Middle Woodland Period in South Dakota in 50 B.C. and extends until the beginning of the Reservation period in South Dakota. The level of significance is statewide, though burial mound significance can more aptly be described as regional beyond the static borders of South Dakota. Burial mounds, predominately associated with the Plains Woodland Tradition in this region, occurred across a wide area in the central and northern plains. A MOTION WAS MADE by Brad Tennant and seconded by Rolene Schliesman to recommend the approval of the nomination of the Burial Mounds in South Dakota, 50 B.C.-A.D. c. 1875, Statewide to the National Register of Historic Places. Motion prevailed unanimously on a roll call vote with ten ayes. Members voting aye: Fowler, Harnois, Kolbe, Langland, Sanders, Schliesman, Tennant, Tobin, Whitebird and Wolff.

The state review board adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Reports

Director Jay D. Vogt submitted his report. (Attachment #1). Vogt had no additions to his report. Trustee Kolbe recommended that a comparison graph be provided to the board in the future regarding the various fiscal years budgets.

Jim Haug, State Archaeologist, submitted his report. (Attachment #2). Haug was unavailable, however, Michael Fosha answered questions regarding the archaeology report. Fosha reported that 123 registrations have been received for the history conference. He mentioned that archaeology staff Aaron Mayer and Cassie Vogt, along with Foundation President Catherine Forsch, worked hard to raise over \$11,000 in history conference sponsorships.

Chelle Somsen, State Archivist, submitted the Archives report. (Attachment #3). Somsen reported that the Digital Archivist position is open until May 10. She mentioned that two inmates have currently been hired to work for the Archives Special Projects Program located at the women's prison and that an additional twelve more will be hired in the near future for data entry.

Ted Spencer, Director of the Historic Preservation Office, submitted his report. (Attachment #4). Spencer reported that Sofia Mattesini has been hired to fill the Historic Preservation Specialist position vacated by Katelyn Weber who took another position out-of-state.

Jay Smith, Museum Director, submitted his report. (Attachment #5). Smith reported that his staff is committed to working with the Minuteman Missile Site in reference to the next exhibit for the Hogen Gallery after the '70s exhibit closes. This would coincide with the 25th Anniversary of the closing of missile sites, with an estimated exhibit opening date of June 2019.

Nancy T. Koupal, Director of Research and Publishing, submitted her report. (Attachment #6). Koupal reported that Amy Kucera has resigned and has taken a job in Nebraska. She mentioned that because her office is now understaffed by two positions, the Press will put out three to four books next year instead of the usual seven.

Catherine Forsch, President of the South Dakota Historical Society Foundation, submitted her report. (Attachment #7). Forsch was unavailable.

Old Business

Sully County land update: Director Jay D. Vogt reported that the property will be scheduled for auction in July. The Archaeological Research Center has indicated one area of the two archaeological sites on the property as potentially important and that pins/flags will mark that area. School and Public Lands Commissioner Ryan Brunner will have the land surveyed, and any covenants will need to be taken care of that might want to be put on the property. Nine people have indicated an interest in the property, and they will be contacted by Brunner's office as part of the required advertising.

McDowell vs. Sapienza update: The South Dakota Supreme Court ordered the Sapienzas to bring their house into compliance with the State Historical Society's administrative rules and federal standards. The Sapienzas are working with 4D Design and Consulting to modify their property. They will need to present their plan to the Sioux Falls Board of Historic Preservation for review.

New Business

Six projects were recommended to the board for approval for Deadwood Fund grants. (Attachment #8). A MOTION WAS MADE by Francis Whitebird and seconded by Robert Kolbe to approve the recommended grants to the Mead Building, Yankton (\$15,000); Stock Judging Pavilion, Brookings (\$15,000); Deckert House, Freeman (\$12,000); Stavig House, Sisseton (\$10,000); St. Lawrence O'Toole Church, Central City (\$10,000); and the Norbeck-Nicholosn Carriage, Redfield (\$5,000). Motion prevailed unanimously on a roll call vote with ten ayes. Members voting aye: Fowler, Harnois, Kolbe, Langland, Sanders, Schliesman, Tennant, Tobin, Whitebird and Wolff.

Other Business

Director Vogt reported that Governor Dugaard reappointed Jon Lauck and Francis Whitebird to three-year terms on the Board of Trustees. Historical Society members re-elected Peggy Sanders and Rolene Schliesman to serve on the Board of Trustees for another three-year term. Vogt mentioned that the South Dakota State Historical Society will be honoring the late Patricia Adam of Pierre with its highest honor, recipient of the Robinson Memorial Award, one of the Governor's Awards for History, at the history conference Saturday, April 28. Four other individuals and one organization are also being recognized by the Society with Governor's Awards for their efforts in preserving state history. The award winners include Pierce and Barbara McDowell of Sioux Falls, Kenneth Wetz of Newell, Melvin Fathke of Avon, Margaret Preston of Sioux Falls and the Charles Nolin Monument Restoration/Revitalization Committee of Sturgis.

Recommendations for Certificates of Recognition were presented. (Attachment #9). A MOTION WAS MADE by David Wolff and seconded by Robert Kolbe, to award certificates of recognition to the individuals and organizations presented. Motion prevailed unanimously on a roll call vote with ten ayes. Members voting aye: Fowler, Harnois, Kolbe, Langland, Sanders, Schliesman, Tennant, Tobin, Whitebird and Wolff.

The next Board of Trustees meeting is scheduled by telephone conference call on Friday, July 13, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.

There was no executive session.

The meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 4:00 p.m.

I, Jay D. Vogt, Director of the South Dakota State Historical Society, declare that these minutes are a true and accurate reflection of the business conducted at the April 26, 2018 meeting of the South Dakota State Historical Society Board of Trustees.

Jay D. Vogt, Director
South Dakota State Historical Society

Caroline C. Uecker
Recording Secretary