

# CONNECTICUT COMMISSION ON CULTURE AND TOURISM

State Historic Preservation Board  
March 10, 2011, 9:30 a.m.  
One Constitution Plaza, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Hartford, Connecticut

## MINUTES

### DRAFT PENDING APPROVAL

- Present:** Chairman Edwards, Mr. Curtis, Dr. Goodheart, Ms. Saunders, Dr. Tucker, Mr. Wigren and Ms. Winters
- Staff:** David Bahlman, Mary Donohue, Jennifer Haag, Daniel Forrest, Laura Mancuso and Stacey Vairo
- Absent:** Dr. Curran, Dr. Favretti and Dr. Feder

#### I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Edwards at 9:35 a.m.

#### II. REVIEW OF PUBLIC COMMENT PROCEDURES

Copies of the public comment procedures were available in the back of the room.

#### III. *A motion was made by Dr. Goodheart, second by Dr. Tucker to approve the minutes of June 10, 2010 as circulated. (Y-, N-0, 1-A Dr. Goodheart)*

#### IV. ACTION ITEMS

The proceedings of the meeting, including all discussions on nominations, are recorded on audiotape, which is available at the Office of the State Historic Preservation Officer, One Constitution Plaza, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Hartford, Connecticut. All registration forms are subject to changes made by the Board and by the State Historic Preservation Officer. All properties were inspected by a member of the Commission's staff prior to the meeting.

Ms. Vairo reported that for nominations of individual properties, all property owners were notified by certified mail, return receipt requested, of the pending nomination sixty days prior to the meeting. For nominations of districts, the chief executive officer of the town or city was notified by certified mail, return receipt requested, of the pending nomination sixty days prior to the meeting. Property owners within districts of less than fifty properties were notified by regular mail of the pending nomination sixty days prior to the meeting. For district

nominations of fifty or more property owners, legal notices appeared twice in local newspapers. Public information meetings were offered to each city/town in which a district is proposed.

All resources included in a National Register Inventory/Nomination form listed as “contributing” to the historical significance of a property have been so determined by the Board.

**A. COMPLETED NATIONAL REGISTER NOMINATIONS – Stacey Vairo Reporting**

***Fairfield Avenue Historic District, Hartford (Criteria A, C)***

Staff recommends the district for listing. The consultant is Lucas Karmazinas. Two letters of support were received by William Griswold, Jr., Executive Superintendent at Cedar Hill Cemetery and Charles Teale, Sr., Chief Hartford Fire Department. Karen O’Maxfield from the Fairfield Avenue Neighborhood Association and Laura Knott Twine of Hartford Preservation Alliance spoke in favor of the nomination.

Ms. Saunders arrived 9:41 a.m.

***A motion was made by Mr. Curtis, second by Mr. Wigren, the State Historic Preservation Board approved to list the Fairfield Avenue Historic District, Hartford, Connecticut, on the National Register of Historic Places. (Y-7, N-0)***

***Academy of Our Lady of Mercy at Luralton Hall, Milford (Criteria A, C)***

Staff recommends the site for listing. The consultant is Greg Farmer. One letter of support was received by Richard Platt, Municipal Historian. Dr. Antoinette Iadarola, Luralton Hall, spoke in favor of the nomination.

***A motion was made by Ms. Winters, second by Dr. Tucker, the State Historic Preservation Board approved to list Academy of Our Lady of Mercy at Luralton Hall, Milford, Connecticut, on the National Register of Historic Places. (Y-7, N-0)***

***Daivd and Sarah Webb, Jr. House, New Canaan (Criteria A, C)***

Staff recommends the site for listing. The consultant is Rachel Carley. Two Letters of support were received by Janet Lindstrom, Executive Director of New Cannan Historical Society and Joseph Cornish, Historic New England. Janet Lindstrom and Cecily Keating, Webb House, spoke in favor of the nomination.

Jared Edwards recused himself at 10:00 a.m.

**A motion was made by Mr. Curtis, second by Dr. Tucker, the State Historic Preservation Board approved to list the David and Sarah Webb, Jr. House, New Canaan, Connecticut, on the National Register of Historic Places. (Y-6, N-0)**

Jared Edwards returned to the room at 10:09 a.m.

***Gallaher Estate, Norwalk (Criteria B,C)***

Staff recommends the site for listing. The consultant is Holly Cuzzone. No correspondence was received. Greg Farmer, Connecticut Trust for Historic Preservation, spoke in favor of the nomination.

**A motion was made by Dr. Goodheart, second by Ms. Saunders, the State Historic Preservation Board approved to list the Gallaher Estate, Norwalk, Connecticut, on the National Register of Historic Places. (Y-7, N-0)**

***Graham House, Stamford (Criteria C)***

Staff recommends the site for listing. The consultant is Heather McGrath, (not in attendance). No correspondence was received.

**A motion was made by Mr. Wigren, second by Dr. Tucker, the State Historic Preservation Board approved to list the Graham House, Stamford, Connecticut, on the National Register of Historic Places. (Y-7, N-0)**

***Old Long Ridge Village Historic District (Boundary Increase), Stamford (Criteria A, C)***

Staff recommends the site for listing. The consultant is Nils Kerschus, (not in attendance). No correspondence was received. William Gretscher, Old Long Ridge Historical Commission, spoke in favor of the nomination.

**A motion was made by Ms. Saunders, second by Mr. Curtis, the State Historic Preservation Board approved to list the Old Long Ridge Village Historic District (Boundary Increase), Stamford, Connecticut, on the National Register of Historic Places. (Y-7, N-0)**

***Thompsonville Historic District (Freshwater Plantation), Enfield (Criteria A, C)***

Staff recommends the site for listing. The consultant is Jan Cunningham. No correspondence was received.

**A motion was made by Ms. Winters, second by Dr. Goodheart, the State Historic Preservation Board approved to list the Thompsonville Historic District (Freshwater Plantation), Enfield, Connecticut, on the National Register of Historic Places. (Y-7, N-0)**

***Verneur Pratt Historic District, Norwalk (Criteria B, C)***

Staff recommends the site for listing. The consultant is Phil Esser, (not in attendance). No correspondence was received. Leigh Grant, board member of “NASH”, spoke in favor of the nomination.

**A motion was made by Mr. Curtis, second by Dr. Tucker, the State Historic Preservation Board approved to list the Verneur Pratt Historic District, Norwalk, Connecticut, on the National Register of Historic Places. (Y-7, N-0)**

- V. REPORT OF THE DIVISION DIRECTOR – David Bahlman Reporting**
- Discussed the Commission on Culture & Tourism merging with DECD
  - Discussed the appointment of the new Executive Director of CCT
- VI. MOTION TO ADJOURN** – a motion to adjourn was made, and so moved. All in favor.

***Next Board Meeting***

Thursday, June 9, 2011, 9:30 a.m., One Constitution Plaza, main conference room.

***Tabled Item***

None at this time.

Respectfully submitted by :  
Jennifer Haag, Process Technician