

**Oak Park Historic Preservation Commission  
Education Committee  
June 24, 2013 Meeting Minutes  
Oak Park Village Hall, Room 215, 7:30 pm**

**A. ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Chair Christina Morris, Frank Heitzman, Regina Nally, Gary Palese  
ABSENT: Joerg Albrecht, Drew Niermann  
OTHER: Karen Doty, Liz Holt, Frank Lipo

**B. MINUTES**

*Motion by Heitzman to approve the March 25, 2013 meeting minutes as submitted.  
Second by Palese. Motion approved 4-0.  
AYE: Heitzman, Nally, Palese, Morris  
NAY: None*

**C. 2013 Historic Preservation Awards**

The Committee discussed the idea of adding a fourth commission to the awards event (Citizen Involvement Commission), and determined that it should be kept at the current three commissions for planning and brevity. Unity Temple is now requesting a \$1,000 rental fee, and the committee discussed other venue options. Gary Palese will look into the Cheney Mansion in terms of size and costs. Frank Lipo will contact Pilgrim Church about their availability. Everyone agreed that Unity Temple was a great location, but the cost may be too great. They also discussed the idea of having an introductory speaker, such as David Sokol or Peter Sagal. They discussed having a band or just music. Liz Holt volunteered to be the HPC representative to organize the event for 2013.

**D. Plaque Program**

Frank Lipo provided an overview of the program. Eagle Scout candidate Tom Jozefowicz approached the Historical Society of Oak Park & River Forest about creating a QR Code plaque program in River Forest. Frank Heitzman updated the HPC on the program at their June 13 meeting. The HPC expressed an interest in placing it on their 2014 work plan. Frank Lipo suggested that any program should link back to the Historical Society's web site for continuity. The committee discussed doing a pilot project in 2014 and formally working with the HPC so as not to duplicate work. Representatives from the HPC and Historical Society will meet to map out a multi-year plan, set priorities for plaque locations, the type of plaque to use, their location on the building, etc. Gary Palese noted he was interested in being part of this working group. Liz Holt and Chris Morris noted they might also be interested. Frank Lipo will let notify HPC staff of the meeting date.

*Motion by Heitzman to convene a small group of less than 3 HPC members to meet with the Historical Society and develop a plan. Second by Palese. Motion approved 4-0.  
AYE: Heitzman, Nally, Palese, Morris  
NAY: None*

E. Architectural Review Guidelines

The consultant should provide revised sections for review in early July.

F. OTHER BUSINESS

None

ADJOURN

*Motion by Nally to adjourn. Second by Palese. Motion approved: 4-0.*

*AYE: Heitzman, Nally, Palese, Morris*

*NAY: None*

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m. Minutes prepared Chris Morris.

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