

**State Board of Review Meeting  
National Register of Historic Places  
South Carolina Department of Archives and History  
State Historic Preservation Office**

***Minutes of the April 1, 2011, Meeting***

The State Board of Review meeting was held in the Wachovia room of the South Carolina Archives and History Center, 8301 Parklane Road, in Columbia, South Carolina.

The chairman called the meeting to order at 10:38 a.m., and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Members Present**

Dr. Robert Benedict, Ms. Krista M. Hampton, Mr. Horace Harmon, Hon. Elaine Harris, Ms. Rosa Kennerly-Dance, Ms. Nena P. Rice, Mr. Richard Sidebottom, Mr. Douglas Taylor, Ms. Ashley Robbins Wilson, Ms. Lindsey G. Moore, Dr. J. Edward Lee, Dr. A. V. Huff, Jr., Dr. Abel Bartley, and Mr. William L. Kinney, Jr., chairman.

**Members Absent**

None.

**Recognition of Service to Retiring Board Member**

Ms. Lindsey G. Moore's term as a Board Member expires after this meeting. Mr. Kinney presented Ms. Moore with a certificate in appreciation for her service to the Board.

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the November 19, 2010, meeting, having been distributed to the members by mail in the members' packets, Mr. Harmon made a motion, seconded by Dr. Lee, to approve them. The motion carried unanimously.

**Remarks**

Mr. Kinney then introduced both Dr. W. Eric Emerson, director of the Department of Archives and History and State Historic Preservation Officer, and Mrs. Elizabeth M. Johnson, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, for remarks.

Dr. Emerson commented briefly on the value of historic preservation as part of the three-fold mission of Archives and History, the other two being Archives and Records Management. He also invited all attendees and guests to tour the building after the meeting, especially to see the Ordinance of Secession and other important documents that led South Carolina to war in 1860.

Mrs. Elizabeth M. Johnson, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, gave welcoming remarks, then introduced the National Register staff present: Dr. J. Tracy Power, Mr. Andrew W. Chandler, and Mr. Bradley S. Sauls. Mrs. Johnson also introduced historic preservation graduate assistants Ms. Anjuli Grantham and Ms. Haley Grant, both of the Public History program at the University of South Carolina.

### **Consideration of Nominations**

Mr. Kinney reviewed the procedures, which include five steps, for considering nominations. The procedures are: presentation of nominations; comments by visitors; questions by board members; uninterrupted discussion by board members; and decision by board members.

The following nominations were considered:

1. **Fort Howell (38BU79, 38BU1151)** on Hilton Head Island, Beaufort County, was presented by Dr. J. Tracy Power, on behalf of the property owner, the Hilton Head Island Land Trust. Ms. Martha Hocutt, a member of the Land Trust Board, prepared the nomination with the assistance of Dr. Power. Ms. Hocutt, and Mr. Jim Fannon, Vice President of the Land Trust Board, spoke in support of the nomination. Ms. Harris asked if the Board should consider approving the nomination at the national level of significance. Dr. Power stated that it had been considered but after discussion and a site visit, it was decided that the state level was most appropriate. Dr. Power also explained that Fort Howell was not being nominated under Criterion D because not enough archaeological testing had been done at the site to justify it. Ms. Rice moved, and Ms. Kennerly-Dance seconded, approval of the nomination at the state level of significance. The Board approved the motion unanimously.

2. **Jacob Bedenbaugh House**, in Prosperity vicinity, Newberry County, was presented by Mr. Michael Bedenbaugh, Executive Director of the Palmetto Trust for Historic Preservation. Ms. Kennerly-Dance asked about future plans for the house. Mr. Bedenbaugh stated that the Palmetto Trust was continuing to work with the owners to develop a preservation plan for the house. Dr. Huff suggested that the nomination be revised on page seven to show that Sarah's status after

Emancipation would not have been as clear as stated in the nomination. Mr. Taylor moved, and Dr. Bartley seconded, to approve the nomination at the local level of significance. The Board approved the motion unanimously.

3. **Fountain Inn Principal's Home and Teacherage**, in Fountain Inn, Greenville County was presented by Mr. Jason L. Harpe, preservation consultant from Lincolnton, North Carolina, and author of the nomination. Mr. Dan Powell, Greenville County Planning Department, Mr. Al Futrell of the Greenville County Historic Preservation Commission, and Mr. Rick Owens of the Fountain Inn History Center, spoke in support of the nomination. Mr. Powell also spoke in support on behalf of the owner, Mount Zion Church in Fountain Inn. Dr. Lee moved, and Ms. Harris seconded, to approve the nomination at the local level of significance. The Board approved the motion unanimously.

4. **Southern Bleachery and Print Works** in Taylors, Greenville County, was presented by Mr. Martin Meek, historic preservation architect from Spartanburg and preparer of the nomination. Mr. Kenneth Walker, owner, spoke in support of the nomination. Mr. Joe Dill, member of Greenville County Council, also spoke in support. Dr. Lee moved, and Ms. Wilson seconded, to approve the nomination at the local level of significance. The Board approved the motion unanimously.

5. **Hampton County Jail** in Hampton, Hampton County, was presented by Dr. Eric Plaag, consultant from Fairfax, Virginia, and author of the nomination. Ms. Betty Ruth Crews and Ms. Mary Ann Sowell, both of the Hampton County Historical Society, spoke in support of the nomination. A letter of support was received from Mr. John B. Rhoden, Jr., Mayor of the Town of Hampton. An e-mail in support of the nomination was also received from Mr. Hugh B. Gray, Chairman of Hampton County Council. Ms. Moore motioned, and Ms. Rice seconded, approval of the nomination at the local level of significance. The Board approved the motion unanimously.

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:20 p.m for a lunch break. The Chairmen called the meeting back to order at 1:00 p.m. Dr. Lee was not present for the remainder of the meeting.

6. **Perry-McIlwain-McDow House**, in Lancaster vicinity, Lancaster County, was presented by Mr. Andrew W. Chandler of the SHPO. The owners, Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Moredock, spoke in support of the nomination. Mr. Sidebottom motioned, and Mr. Taylor seconded, approval of the nomination at the local level of significance. The Board approved the motion unanimously.

7. **McLaurin-Roper-McColl House**, in Clio vicinity, Marlboro County, was presented by Mr. John S. Lupold, of Highlands, North Carolina. Mr. Lupold is the author of the nomination and a co-owner of the property. Mr. Taylor motioned, and Ms. Rice seconded, approval of the nomination at the local level of

significance. The Board approved the motion unanimously with one abstention (Mr. Kinney, a resident and native of Marlboro County).

Ms. Harris departed the meeting before the next presentation so that she could attend the Historic Preservation awards at the Governor's office where she was among the honorees.

8. **Oakland Mill**, in Newberry, Newberry County was presented by Mr. Chandler of the SHPO. Misty West, as owner, spoke in support of the nomination and said that the mill will be rehabilitated for housing. Ms. Kennerly-Dance motioned, and Ms. Moore seconded, approval of the nomination at the local level of significance. The Board approved the motion unanimously.

9. **John C. Calhoun State Office Building**, in Columbia, Richland County, was presented by Ms. Anjuli Grantham, USC Public History Graduate Student and preparer of the nomination. Mr. Jose Suarez of the S.C. Budget and Control Board said they are working with the SHPO to review current and future renovation plans. Ms. Rice motioned, and Mr. Sidebottom seconded, approval of the nomination at the state level of significance. The Board approved the motion unanimously.

### **Other Business**

Mr. Kinney then recognized Mr. Chandler, who announced the following upcoming Review Board meeting dates:

The summer 2011 meeting is scheduled for Friday, July 22, 2011.

The fall 2011 meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 18, 2011.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:25 p.m.

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***Minutes of the July 22, 2011, Meeting***

The State Board of Review meeting was held in the Wachovia room of the South Carolina Archives and History Center, 8301 Parklane Road, in Columbia, South Carolina.

The chairman called the meeting to order at 10:40 a.m., and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Members Present**

Dr. Robert Benedict, Mr. Horace Harmon, Ms. Nena P. Rice, Mr. Douglas Taylor, Dr. Abel Bartley, Mr. Sean Taylor, Mr. John M. Sherrer, III, and Mr. William L. Kinney, Jr., chairman.

**Members Absent**

Dr. J. Edward Lee, Dr. A. V. Huff, Jr., Ms. Krista Hampton, Ms Rosa Kennerly-Dance, Ms. Ashley Robbins Wilson, Mr. Richard Sidebottom, Hon. Elaine Harris.

**Introduction of New Review Board Members**

Mr. Kinney introduced two new members of the Review Board: Mr. Sean Taylor, Archaeologist with the S. C. Department of Natural Resources and the Cultural Heritage Trust Program, and Mr. John M. Sherrer, III, Director of Cultural Resources for Historic Columbia Foundation.

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the April 1, 2011, meeting, having been distributed to the members by mail in the members' packets, Mr. Douglas Taylor made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rice, to approve them. The motion carried unanimously.

**Election of new Vice-Chair**

With the expiration of Vice-Chair Lindsey Moore's term on the Board since the last meeting on April 1, 2011, a new Vice-Chair must be elected. Mr. Kinney opened the floor to nominations. Mr. Sherrer nominated Mr. Harmon for Vice-Chair. The Board voted unanimously (with Mr. Harmon abstaining) to elect Mr. Harmon as Vice-Chair.

## Remarks

Mr. Kinney then introduced both Dr. W. Eric Emerson, director of the Department of Archives and History and State Historic Preservation Officer, and Mrs. Elizabeth M. Johnson, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, for remarks.

Dr. Emerson commented briefly on the value of historic preservation as part of the three-fold mission of Archives and History, the other two being Archives and Records Management. He also invited all attendees and guests to tour the building after the meeting.

Mrs. Elizabeth M. Johnson, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, gave welcoming remarks, then introduced the National Register staff present: Dr. J. Tracy Power, Mr. Andrew W. Chandler, and Mr. Bradley S. Sauls. Mrs. Johnson also introduced staff including Jennifer Satterthwaite, Jodi Barnes, Caroline Wilson, and Cynthia Banks-Smith. Mrs. Johnson also introduced Adrienne Margolies, an summer intern and history and architecture student from Clemson University.

## Consideration of Nominations

Mr. Kinney reviewed the procedures, which include five steps, for considering nominations. The procedures are: presentation of nominations; comments by visitors; questions by board members; uninterrupted discussion by board members; and decision by board members.

The following nominations were considered:

1. **Shiloh Presbyterian Church Cemetery**, located in the vicinity of Blacksburg (Cherokee County) and Grover (Cleveland County, North Carolina), was presented by Mr. Jason L. Harpe of Harpe Consulting. Before Mr. Harpe's presentation, Mr. Andrew Chandler explained for those present that, because this property is situated partially in South Carolina and partially in North Carolina, the National Register Review Boards of both states must consider the nomination. The South Carolina Review Board is considering it today, and the North Carolina board will consider it at a future date yet to be determined. Upon approval, both states will sign the nomination before submission to the National Register in Washington. Dr. Benedict asked if there was a DAR marker at the grave of William Patterson. Mr. Harpe said there was a military marker at this grave. Mr. Douglas Taylor moved, and Ms. Nena Rice seconded, approval of the nomination at the local level of significance. The Board approved the motion unanimously.

2. **Southern Railway Depot**, located in Ninety Six (Greenwood County) was presented by Mr. Andrew W. Chandler of the SHPO. The nomination was prepared by Mr. Charles Harts of Ninety Six, with assistance from Mr. Evan Kutzler, SHPO summer intern from the Public History program at the University

of South Carolina. Mr. Douglas Taylor asked for information regarding the cotton oil mill in Ninety Six mentioned during the presentation. Dr. Power described the prevalence of mills in South Carolina that extracted oil from cotton seed for commercial purposes. Mr. Sherrer noted that Columbia had such a mill. Mr. Kinney mentioned that these mills were also very common in the Pee Dee region of the state. Ms. Rice motioned to approve the nomination at the local level of significance. Mr. Douglas Taylor seconded the motion and the Board voted unanimously to approve the nomination.

3. **Retreat Rosenwald School**, located in the vicinity of Westminster (Oconee County) was presented by Dr. Power of the SHPO. The nomination was prepared by Ms. Helen Rosemond-Saunders of the Retreat Colored School Committee of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church, with the assistance of Mr. Evan Kutzler, SHPO intern. Ms. Rosemond-Saunders, along with a small group of Retreat Rosenwald School alumni, all spoke in support of the nomination. Some of the alumni were also the subject of oral history interviews that were used to help prepare the nomination document. Ms. Rosemond-Saunders stated that it was the committee's goal to restore the school and make it available to area school children and as a community meeting facility. The committee has received a grant from the National Trust for Historic Preservation and is seeking other funds. Mr. Benedict asked if the cost breakdown on the construction of this school was typical (about a third of the cost contributed by the Julius Rosenwald Fund). Dr. Power replied that this was indeed typical as local contributions from blacks and whites and the local school district were required for Rosenwald Fund support. Dr. Bartley reported that he had visited the school and noted the presence of original fabric and furnishings. Mr. Douglas Taylor moved to approve the nomination at the local level of significance, seconded by Mr. Sherrer. The Board voted unanimously to approve the nomination.

### **Other Business**

Mr. Kinney then recognized Mr. Chandler, who announced the following upcoming Review Board meeting dates:

The fall 2011 meeting is scheduled for Friday, November 18, 2011.

The spring 2012 meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 30, 2012.

With regular business completed, Mr. Kinney had to leave the meeting at 11:25 a.m. to make another appointment and turned over direction of the meeting to Vice-Chairman Horace Harmon.

At this time, staff conducted a training session for the Board on the National Register criteria and how National Register nominations are processed by staff.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

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***Minutes of the November 18, 2011, Meeting***

The State Board of Review meeting was held in the Wachovia room of the South Carolina Archives and History Center, 8301 Parklane Road, in Columbia, South Carolina.

The chairman called the meeting to order at 10:43 a.m., and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**Members Present**

Mr. William L. Kinney, Jr. (Chairman), Mr. Horace Harmon (Vice-Chairman), Ms. Nena P. Rice, Mr. Douglas Taylor, Dr. Abel Bartley, Mr. Sean Taylor, Mr. John M. Sherrer, III, Dr. J. Edward Lee, Dr. A. V. Huff, Ms. Rosa Kennerly-Dance, Ms. Ashley R. Wilson, Mr. Richard Sidebottom, Ms. Elaine Harris.

**Members Absent**

Dr. Robert Benedict, Ms. Krista Hampton.

**Recognition of Service for Retiring Board Member:**

Mr. Kinney presented a Certificate of Appreciation to retiring Board Member, Nena Powell Rice, thanking her for dedicated service to the National Register program in South Carolina.

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the July 22, 2011, meeting, having been distributed to the members by mail in the members' packets, Mr. Douglas Taylor made a motion, seconded by Ms. Rice, to approve them. The motion carried unanimously.

**Remarks**

Mr. Kinney then introduced both Dr. W. Eric Emerson, director of the Department of Archives and History and State Historic Preservation Officer, and Mrs. Elizabeth M. Johnson, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, for remarks.

Dr. Emerson commented briefly on the value of historic preservation as part of the three-fold mission of Archives and History, the other two being Archives and Records Management. He also invited all attendees and guests to tour the building after the meeting.

Mrs. Elizabeth M. Johnson, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, gave welcoming remarks, and then introduced the National Register staff present: Dr. J. Tracy Power, Mr. Andrew W. Chandler, and Mr. Bradley S. Sauls. Mrs. Johnson also introduced staff including Jennifer Satterthwaite, Jodi Barnes, and Rebekah Dobrasko.

### **Consideration of Nominations**

Mr. Kinney reviewed the procedures, which include five steps, for considering nominations. The procedures are: presentation of nominations; comments by visitors; questions by board members; uninterrupted discussion by board members; and decision by board members.

The following nominations were considered:

1. **Combahee Ferry Historic District**, located in the Gardens Corner vicinity of Beaufort County and Colleton County, at the intersection of the Combahee River and US Highway 17, was presented by Mr. Eric Poplin, Ph.D., Senior Archaeologist with Brockington and Associates of Mount Pleasant, South Carolina. The following visitors spoke in support of the nomination: Mr. Ian Hill (Historic Preservation Planner for Beaufort County), Mr. Michael Allen (National Park Service, Gullah-Geechee Heritage Corridor), and Mr. Wayne Roberts (Archaeologist, SC Department of Transportation). Ms. Ashley Wilson asked Mr. Poplin if he was aware of the slave cabins, Diamond Gate, and other post-bellum and early twentieth century resources at Newport Plantation, adjacent to the district. Ms. Wilson also asked if consideration was given to including these resources in the district. Mr. Poplin replied that he was aware of the resources outside the boundaries of the proposed district but that the district was intended to focus on the ferry crossing and its immediate environs with resources associated with the raid conducted by Federal troops in 1863. Mr. Sidebottom asked if other Newport Plantation resources existed. Mr. Poplin replied that several buildings were burned during the raid and later replaced in late nineteenth and early twentieth century. Wayne Roberts commented that the nomination was part of the Department of Transportation's mitigation requirements for the bridge replacement. Mr. Sidebottom asked about the acreage of Newport Plantation. Mr. Poplin replied that it was several hundred acres. Ms. Kennerly-Dance thanked Mr. Poplin for his role in publicizing the history associated with the proposed district. Mr. Poplin replied that part of the Department of Transportation mitigation includes on-site interpretation that is still in development. Ms. Harris asked if the slave cabins were eligible for the National Register, who owned them, and if there were any plans to nominate them. Mr. Poplin replied that they have been determined eligible, they are owned by

Nemours Wildlife Foundation, and there are no current plans to nominate them. The Foundation is working to stabilize the slave cabins. Ms. Wilson suggested a map for the archaeological areas to strengthen the nomination. Mr. Kinney recognized Mr. Chandler who informed the Board regarding written notarized objections from several of the property owners in the proposed district. Mr. Chandler also informed the Board about a letter of support from the Department of Transportation and e-mail communication from Mr. Ernie Wiggers, CEO of the Nemours Wildlife Foundation, stating they do not object to the current nomination as written, but would object to any expansion of boundaries beyond what is currently proposed. Dr. Emerson reminded the Board that they are voting on the merits of the nomination alone and any objections by owners are not to be considered in their decision. Mr. Kinney reminded the Board that the objections will be forwarded to the National Park Service and that the Board's duty is to determine National Register-eligibility of the proposed district. Mr. Kinney also encouraged the students present from the College of Charleston/Clemson program to work on a nomination for other adjacent historic resources. Mr. Chandler advised the Board that the SHPO staff supports the nomination as written and reiterated that objections will be forwarded with the nomination and that separate nominations may be the best way to get other resources listed in the National Register. Mr. Sidebottom spoke in support of the nomination as written. Dr. Emerson reminded the Board that objections can be lifted later, as has happened recently with the Sams Plantation Tabby Complex on Dataw Island. Dr. Huff asked to see where the privately owned land was on the map (Mr. Poplin pointed this out on the map). Ms. Kennerly-Dance sought and received clarification that the Board's decision is based on the nomination presented. Mr. Sean Taylor asked why the owners objected. Mr. Chandler responded that no specific reason has been given in writing, nor is it required. Dr. Emerson said that the Manager for WNL Properties mentioned their concern about National Register listing leading to publicity for their property which might encourage public trespass.

Dr. Abel Bartley moved, and Dr. Edward Lee seconded, approval of the nomination at the local and national levels of significance. The Board approved the motion unanimously.

**2. Williams-Ligon House**, located in Easley vicinity (Pickens County) was presented by Mr. Bradley S. Sauls of the SHPO. The nomination was prepared by Mrs. Sarah Ligon Foard and the late Amy Ligon Sowell. Visitors speaking in support of the nomination were Mrs. Foard and Mr. Jim Ligon, both children of the late Henry Ligon. Mr. Ligon added that his parents had bought the property just prior to the economic crash of 1929 which. Ms. Kennerly-Dance asked if anyone currently lived in the house. The house is still occupied by the family of the late Amy Ligon Sowell. Ms. Wilson noted her appreciation for the "feel good" nature of the story of the Williams-Ligon House. Mr. Sidebottom recommended adding other "comparables" to the nomination that had significance for agricultural history.

Mr. Sherrer motioned to approve the nomination at the local level of significance. Ms. Wilson seconded the motion and the Board voted unanimously to approve the nomination.

3. **J. Davis Powell House**, located at 1410 Shirley Street, Columbia (Richland County) was presented by Ms. Jennifer Betsworth, author of the nomination and a Graduate Student in the Public History program at the University of South Carolina. The owners, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick M. Wright, Sr., spoke in support of the nomination. Dr. Bartley asked if there were any plans to rehabilitate the garage. The owners said they were working to make repairs. Mr. Douglas Taylor asked if any of the windows in the house were original. The owners replied that all on the front of the house are original, as well as a few on the side elevations. Ms. Kennerly-Dance asked about the historic character of the rest of the neighborhood. Mr. Sherrer, as a resident of the neighborhood, replied that there is great architectural diversity in the neighborhood and that it is great to have nominated this house that is so important to the history of the neighborhood. Mr. Sherrer also mentioned that the neighborhood, including the Powell House, is designated as a city conservation district.

Ms. Kennerly-Dance moved to approve the nomination at the local level of significance, seconded by Mr. Sherrer. The Board voted unanimously to approve the nomination.

4. **William Dixon Fowler House**, located in Pauline vicinity (Spartanburg County), was presented by Ms. Jennifer Satterthwaite, Local Government and Outreach Coordinator for the SHPO. Mr. David Miller, on behalf of he and his wife (Mrs. Marian Miller) as owners of the property, spoke in support of the nomination. Mrs. Miller is a descendant of the original owner. Ms. Harris recalled frequently passing by the house during her childhood and considered it an important landmark. Mr. Sidebottom commended the owners for their care and maintenance of the house.

Dr. Lee moved to approve the nomination at the local level of significance, seconded by Ms. Harris. The Board voted unanimously to approve the nomination.

### **Other Business**

Mr. Kinney then recognized Mr. Chandler, who announced the following upcoming Review Board meeting dates:

The spring 2012 meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 30, 2012.

The summer 2012 meeting is scheduled for Friday, July 27, 2012.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:28 p.m.