

**Minutes
Special Meeting
Capitol Preservation Commission
Nov. 10, 2015, 3:00 p.m., Room 412C
State Capitol Building
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma**

A meeting notice was filed with the Secretary of State and agenda posted in accordance with the Open Meeting Act.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Linda Edmondson
Bruce Fisher
Vicki Hicks
Judy Johnson
Doug Kellogg
Lou Kerr
Leia Laird
Duane Mass
Dan Ross

MEMBERS ABSENT: Bill Corbett
Joel Kintsel
Holbrook Lawson

GUESTS: Beverly Hicks, OMES CAM
Steven Barker, Attorney general's office
Amber Sharples, Ok Arts Council
Alan Atkinson, OK Arts Council
Shawn Ashley, E-Capitol

1. Determination of quorum and call to order. [Linda Edmondson, senior member acting as chair]

Ms. Edmondson called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. A roll call was taken and a quorum was established. She was advised that notice of the meeting had been given, and an agenda posted in accordance with the Open Meeting Act.

Ms. Edmondson explained the reason for today's special meeting was that a quorum was not available for the regular scheduled meeting on Thursday, October 15 and the next regular scheduled meeting falls on Thursday, December 17 and would be too late to adopt the meetings for next year, as the deadline for regular scheduled meeting is December 15.

Ms. Edmondson explained the reason she is presiding at today's meeting is because the Commission's Chair and Vice Chair had both resigned. The Attorney General's Office advised a senior member can preside.

2. Discussion and possible action on minutes of September 9, 2015 special meeting. [Linda Edmondson, senior member acting as chair]

Ms. Kerr moved to approve the meeting minutes of September 9. Mr. Ross seconded the motion. The motion passed and the following votes were recorded:

Ms. Edmondson, yes; Mr. Fisher, yes; Ms. Hicks, yes; Ms. Johnson, yes; Mr. Kellogg, yes; Ms. Kerr, yes; Ms. Laird, yes; Mr. Mass, yes; Mr. Ross, yes.

3. Discussion and possible action on minutes of September 29, 2015 special meeting. [Linda Edmondson, senior member acting as chair]

Mr. Fisher moved to approve the meeting minutes of September 29. Ms. Kerr seconded the motion. The motion passed and the following votes were recorded:

Ms. Edmondson, yes; Mr. Fisher, yes; Ms. Hicks, yes; Ms. Johnson, yes; Mr. Kellogg, yes; Ms. Kerr, yes; Ms. Laird, yes; Mr. Mass, yes; Mr. Ross, yes.

4. Discussion and possible action on approving meeting dates for 2016. [Linda Edmondson, senior member acting as chair]

**February 18th
April 21st**

**June 16th
August 18th**

**October 20th
December 15th**

Mr. Ross moved to approve the meeting dates of 2016. Ms. Kerr seconded the motion. The motion passed and the following votes were recorded:

Ms. Edmondson, yes; Mr. Fisher, yes; Ms. Hicks, yes; Ms. Johnson, yes; Mr. Kellogg, yes; Ms. Kerr, yes; Ms. Laird, yes; Mr. Mass, yes; Mr. Ross, yes.

5. Discussion and possible action to review and renew moratorium on artwork. Original motion was December 20, 2012 Re: moratorium on future artworks being loaned or donated or commissioned for donation until building renovation and restoration is complete or until the moratorium is lifted by the commission. Moratorium is to be reviewed annually. [Linda Edmondson, senior member acting as chair]

Ms. Edmondson revisited the motion voted on in December 2012 as stated above and said the moratorium is to be reviewed annually. An exception to the moratorium was made for Governor Fallin's bust in the Hall of Governors.

The moratorium was suspended to put the maquette's in the niches donated by the Friends of the Capitol. At the time it was passed in 2012, the Commission hoped there would be a restoration and renovation, particularly concerned about the sunlight from the dome on the artwork. At the time the Commission felt this was a wise decision.

Ms. Edmondson made known in the meeting the current moratorium is being reviewed and be continued another year.

Ms. Kerr made a motion to approve to review and renew the moratorium on the artwork in the Capitol for another year. Mr. Fisher seconded the motion. The motion passed and the following votes were recorded:

Ms. Edmondson, yes; Mr. Fisher, yes; Ms. Hicks, yes; Ms. Johnson, yes; Mr. Kellogg, yes; Ms. Kerr, yes; Ms. Laird, yes; Mr. Mass, yes; Mr. Ross, yes.

6. Discussion and possible action of extending expiring moratorium on monument requests for the State Capitol and its grounds until renovation and restoration is complete or the moratorium is lifted by the commission. [Linda Edmondson, senior member acting as chair]

Ms. Edmondson reminded those present that at the recommendation of former chairman, Trait Thompson, voted a moratorium on additional applications for monuments on the Capitol grounds in December 2013 until the lawsuit about the Ten Commandments monument was settled. The lawsuit has since been settled and the moratorium is near expiring. Ms. Edmondson think it best to extend the moratorium until the renovation and restoration is complete for the same reasons used to continue the moratorium on artwork inside the Capitol.

Mr. Ross made a motion to extend the moratorium on monument requests for outside of the Capitol until the renovations and restorations are complete and to be reviewed annually. Ms. Kerr seconded the motion. The motion passed and the following votes were recorded:

Ms. Edmondson, yes; Mr. Fisher, yes; Ms. Hicks, yes; Ms. Johnson, yes; Mr. Kellogg, yes; Ms. Kerr, yes; Ms. Laird, yes; Mr. Mass, yes; Mr. Ross, yes.

7. Report from the nominating committee and election of officers. [Linda Edmondson, senior member acting as chair]

Mr. Ross spoke on behalf of the nominating committee to recommend Vickie Hicks as chair and Judy Johnson to serve as vice chair. Ms. Hicks and Ms. Johnson accepted their nomination and those present on the Commission voted in agreement.

Ms. Edmondson, yes; Mr. Fisher, yes; Ms. Hicks, yes; Ms. Johnson, yes; Mr. Kellogg, yes; Ms. Kerr, yes; Ms. Laird, yes; Mr. Mass, yes; Mr. Ross, yes.

8. Collection's Manager Report. [Alan Atkinson]

-Introducing the new visual arts director, Alan Atkinson. [Amber Sharples]

Ms. Sharples was pleased to introduced Mr. Atkinson and his credentials to the Commission. Mr. Atkinson considers it a priviledge and honor to serve as the Visual Arts Director.

-Update on the conservation of the Will Rogers and Carl Albert paintings.

Mr. Atkinson is currently working with The Questors on the Will Rogers portrait by Boris Gordon located in the Senate lounge being crated and on its way to Denver Colorado for conservation. The same group

(The Questors) helping in that project is interested in some of the minor damage that occurred to the Carl Albert portrait in the rotunda. When conservator Carmen Bria was in the building she determined it did not need to be shipped to Denver and could be treated in place with considerable savings.

9. Report on the progress of the capitol renovation and restoration project. [Linda Edmondson, senior member acting as chair]

Mr. Thompson, State Capitol Project Manager, gave a brief overview on the status of the capitol renovation and restoration at its current state. He and Ms. Edmondson encouraged everyone to visit the capitolrestore.ok.gov website to view the developmental stages on the progress of the Capitol.

Mr. Thompson is available for questions and tours on certain areas in the Capitol.

Mr. Thompson informed November 16th is Statehood Day and the 100th anniversary of the cornerstone dedication of the building. A ceremony will take place at the Southwest corner of the building where the Masonic Lodge that dedicated the cornerstone is going to rededicate the cornerstone that mirrors the one they did 100 years ago.

10. Discussion and possible action to recognize the service of former chair Trait Thompson and long-time CPC member Paul Meyer. [Linda Edmondson, senior member acting as chair]

Ms. Edmondson and the Commission expressed their appreciation for Mr. Thompson and Mr. Meyer's time, service and dedication as members. Although, Mr. Meyer was not present at the meeting Ms. Edmondson gave recognition to all the things accomplished at the Capitol during his time served as Architect and Curator.

Mr. Ross made a motion to have the new chair of the CPC write a letter to both gentlemen on behalf of the Commission commending and thanking them for their service. Mr. Kellogg seconded the motion. The motion passed and the following votes were recorded:

Ms. Edmondson, yes; Mr. Fisher, yes; Ms. Hicks, yes; Ms. Johnson, yes; Mr. Kellogg, yes; Ms. Kerr, yes; Ms. Laird, yes; Mr. Mass, yes; Mr. Ross, yes.

11. Adjournment. [Linda Edmondson, senior member acting as chair]

There being no further business, Ms. Kerr made the motion to adjourn. Mr. Ross seconded the motion. Seeing no opposition, the meeting adjourned at 3:46 p.m.