

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORICAL AND MUSEUM COMMISSION
APRIL 17, 2002
MINUTES

A meeting of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission was held on April 17, 2002, at Cornwall Iron Furnace, Cornwall, Pennsylvania. The following commissioners were present: Chairman Janet S. Klein; Vice Chairman William A. Cornell; Dr. James Adovasio, Mrs. Nancy D. Kolb, Dr. John W. Lawrence; Dr. LeRoy Patrick; Mr. Allen M. Wenger and Mr. Gary D. Wolfe. The following commissioners were absent: Representative Thomas C. Corrigan; Dr. Andrea F. Fitting; Senator Edwin G. Holl; Representative Stephen R. Maitland; Dr. Brian C. Mitchell; and Senator Allyson Y. Schwartz. The following staff was present: Brent D. Glass, Executive Director; Doreen McCall, Chief Counsel; Anita Blackaby; Jean Cutler; John Robinson; Frank Suran; Edith Walsh; John Wesley and Donna Williams. Marcia Gobrecht represented the Pennsylvania Heritage Society.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Klein called the meeting to order at 10:10 a.m. Chairman Klein reviewed the handouts that were distributed at everyone's places.

II. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MARCH 20, 2002 COMMISSION MEETING

Chairman Klein asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes. Chairman Klein wanted clarification on page 6 to confirm that Dr. Glass refers to inviting Mr. Wilburn to meet with PHMC. On page 9, "Scholars-in-Residence Committee was approved" should read, "Scholars-in-Residence Recommendations were approved." On page 10, third paragraph down, "the list was distributed to the Commissioners" should be added at the end of the paragraph. On Page 11, "meeting nothing" should read, "meeting noting." On page 15 "VII" should be "VIII", page 18 "IX" should read "VIII" and "IX" should read "X". On page 19, "the

tour of the State Records Center was conducted after announcements were made” should be added. On page 20, “X” should read “XII” and “XI” should read “XIII”. “The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.” should read, “The meeting adjourned at 1 p.m. after the tour of the State Records Center.”

Mr. Wenger moved that the minutes be approved, seconded by Ms. Kolb. The minutes were approved with corrections as noted.

III. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

Chairman Klein thanked Steve Somers, Site Administrator for Cornwall Iron Furnace, and Donna Williams for hosting the meeting at the site. After the business meeting is completed, Mr. Somers and Ms. Williams were to give a brief overview of the work that has been done recently and a tour of the site.

Chairman Klein reviewed minutes of past commission meetings with regard to suggestions that were made for further action or follow-up. Many suggestions have been implemented and some are still being considered. Chairman Klein asked the commissioners to be persistent in following up with their suggestions.

IV. STAFF REPORTS

Chairman Klein asked if there were any questions or comments on the staff reports. Dr. Lawrence asked for clarification on the Artistas del Verano – Mural Project. Ms. Blackaby reported that this is the second summer the State Museum has done this project. Artistas del Verano – Mural Project is a partnership with the Department of Education. The program provides special services to children that are from migrant farm families in the community. The Department of Education provides the funding for the students to come in for tutoring for half a

day. The other half the students will work with the resident artist in the museum to produce murals during the rest of their day at the museum.

Dr. Lawrence asked what happens to the murals after the students are finished. Ms. Blackaby reported that the murals become part of the collection at the State Museum of Pennsylvania.

Chairman Klein asked Ms. Cutler to report on the National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers. Ms. Cutler reported that the conference was well attended. The focus of the meeting was on advocacy and how to approach the congressional delegation and the issues relating to historic preservation. Topics of discussion included the Washington and Rochambeau Trail, cell towers, and the National Trust for Historic Preservation ad campaign.

Dr. Lawrence asked what the problem is between preservationists and cell towers. Ms. Cutler reported that the Bureau for Historic Preservation reviews all cell towers that have an impact on historic resources. Dr. Glass added that the bureau has reviewed hundreds of proposals for cell towers in the last 3 – 4 years, and no tower has been denied a permit for construction. The bureau encourages engineering companies to look at all options to make the impact of the cell tower as minimal as possible.

V. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Dr. Glass reported on a bill that will be introduced shortly that would apply a \$5 tipping fee for all waste deliveries to landfills in Pennsylvania. This tipping fee would be applied to a variety of funds, including the Growing Greener Fund, Wildlife Conservation Fund, and the Historic Homesite Preservation Grant Program.

Dr. Glass remarked that Cornwall Iron Furnace is the first historic site he visited in Pennsylvania. Curators at the Smithsonian have said that Cornwall is of transcendent

importance, telling a complete story of iron making. The Commission obtained the site in the 1930's.

Dr. Glass reported that a rededication of the Monument at Mt. Zion cemetery in Ephrata would be held. Ephrata Cloister served as a field hospital during the Revolutionary War. The General Assembly of Pennsylvania sponsored a monument in the early 1900's in the cemetery.

Dr. Glass commented on the support that Exelon Corporation is providing for Valley Forge. A \$1 million grant for the visitor's center will create a Museum of the American Revolution. The Commission is working with Exelon Corporation to provide support for Brandywine Battlefield Historic Park. Exelon has moved a significant number of employees into the Kennett Square area and has expressed interest in providing some support for Brandywine Battlefield.

Dr. Glass gave a brief review on upcoming conferences. On April 28 – 30, the Pennsylvania Federation of Museums and Historical Organizations will be held in York. On May 1 – May 4, the Annual Conference on Historic Preservation will be held in Bethlehem. On May 2 – 4, the 25th Annual Conference on Black History will be held in York. On May 11, the Associates Forum will take place at Somerset Historical Center. On May 22, we will have a Commission Meeting. On May 23, the Preservation Pennsylvania Awards Luncheon will take place in Harrisburg.

VI. FINANCIAL REPORT

Chairman Klein asked if there were any questions regarding the Financial Report. No questions were asked, and Chairman Klein submitted the Financial Report to file.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

1. Historical Marker Program

Chairman Klein commented that Representative Maitland apologizes for not being at the meeting today. At the March 20th Commission Meeting, the Commission approved the Statement of Purpose. Today the Commission will vote on the following: Explanation of Procedures; marker selection panelists; Historical Marker Nominations Recommended for Approval; adopting a policy to approve directly without the usual panel review historical markers to honor all deceased Pennsylvania Governors; adopting a policy to approve fabrication and installation of historical markers for the balance of our own operated historic sites and museums; and adopting a policy for historical markers for townships and boroughs.

Dr. Glass reviewed the procedures of the Historical Marker Program. The committee codified a number of practices into one document. The main change that is recommended is that if a nomination is rejected three years in a row, the nominator may not resubmit the same subject for another three years.

Ms. Kolb commented on the presentation that the Commission saw on public television about how this program is becoming an entry point for a website. The procedures give no opportunity for sites of special significance or categories that have been overlooked over time to be made up by the Commission. Ms. Kolb hopes that the procedures being discussed are only for marker nominations coming in from organizations on the outside. Something should be included in both the Statement of Purpose and the procedures that indicate that the Commission is still actively looking to fill the gaps. Once explorepahistory.com is launched, the gaps will be very clear.

Dr. Glass agreed that the procedures describe the process by which the Commission would review nominations coming in. Ms. Kolb stated that the Statement of Purpose also reflects this. The Commission should make clear the marker program has a broader purpose. Dr. Glass stated that perhaps it should be in our work plan for the future, especially with regard to the work we are doing on explorehistorypa.com. He said this will emerge out of that work, and we should specifically identify those categories or those events, people, or places that are not marked and encourage nominations from organizations, and individuals or develop them ourselves. Ms. Kolb stated that the Statement of Purpose should be modified to reflect this. All the statement says now is that we support the agency's mission by working in partnerships with citizens and organizations in Pennsylvania.

Chairman Klein moved that the all the comments and suggestions be resubmitted to the Grants Committee to review and come up with a more complete Statement of Purpose and Procedures. Dr. Lawrence seconded the motion.

Dr. Cornell commented on number 8 of the procedures, stating that he would like to see a copy of the guidelines to sponsors.

Dr. Patrick asked about the process for the installation of markers.

Dr. Glass said that the local sponsor works with the local streets department or Department of Transportation to have the pole installed and marker placed. The local sponsor is responsible for dealing with the local public works department.

Ms. Kolb wants to avoid the situation where, if there is no local sponsor, the commission will not put up a marker. Ms. Kolb would like the marker committee to review the outstanding nominations to see if there are any critical outstanding markers not installed.

Chairman Klein reported that a list of markers approved but not installed was distributed to all legislators as well as to commissioners, asking if they could find local sponsors for the markers.

Dr. Lawrence commented that a few months ago he had asked to see the actual text that would be put on the markers. The grammar was found to be improper on some markers. For example, in this year's list, we have "Mother Jones and Free Speech" and "Mary Harris 'Mother' Jones". It was stated that these were two different markers.

Ms. Kolb stated that Helen Gemmill should be deleted from the Suggested Members of the Historical Marker Review Panel since she is deceased.

Dr. Cornell asked why we have so many panelists when we only need a few. Dr. Glass reported the list is a roster of eligible panelists from around the state. The Commission takes into consideration panelists' schedules, geographic representation, and a mix of various disciplines.

Ms. Kolb moved that we accept the Suggested Members of the Historical Marker Review Panel except for her correction. Dr. Patrick seconded the motion. The Suggested Members of the Historical Marker Review Panel list was approved. (ATTACHMENT A)

Chairman Klein reported that we have a cover letter from Mr. Suran and Mr. Weible with the names of people who are currently on the panel.

Chairman Klein called for approval of the Recommended and Not Recommended Historical Markers.

Dr. Cornell asked what statewide significance the Frances Perkins marker nomination has. Dr. Glass reported that the recommendations suggested by the panel are based on the documentation provided by the nominator.

Dr. Cornell, Ms. Kolb and Dr. Lawrence felt that the U.S. Steel Company should have a historical marker.

Dr. Lawrence also felt the Commission should recognize good things that occurred in the state not just the bad events.

Chairman Klein commented that the Commission should provide a system whereby the Commissioners have the opportunity to offer their suggestions, based on the submissions that have been made and based on the markers that have already been installed.

Chairman Klein asked if there is any marker on the list that the Commission does not want to approve. Ms. Kolb stated that if we have an outside advisory committee of academic and local historians who have spent a day or more working on the nominations, we should be careful deleting markers that the committee recommended. On the other hand, if there are nominations like the U.S. Steel that we feel strongly about, we should have the marker installed.

Ms. Kolb moved for approval of the Historical Markers Nominations Recommended for Approval. Dr. Lawrence seconded the motion. (ATTACHMENT B)

Dr. Cornell stated that he agrees with Dr. Lawrence, that there are two marker nominations for “Mother Jones and Free Speech” and “Mary Harris ‘Mother’ Jones”. The marker should state her correct name.

Dr. Cornell moved to amend the motion by Ms. Kolb by removing the Francis Perkins marker nomination. Motion not seconded.

Chairman Klein called for discussion of accepting the policy for commissioners to approve directly without the usual panel review historical markers to honor all deceased Pennsylvania governors.

Dr. Glass commented that we are recommending through the committee that we do a review of all the markers that have been dedicated and installed for Pennsylvania governors and find out which governors have not been recognized by a historical marker. In September, the committee will suggest a list with proposed locations of where the markers would be installed.

Chairman Klein commented on the location of the marker. For example if the marker was installed at the birthplace of the governor, we could approach people in that community to sponsor. Dr. Glass mentioned that members of the General Assembly might be interested in co-sponsoring the marker.

Dr. Cornell commented that the marker should be installed at the location of where the person resided when elected governor.

Dr. Glass commented that the committee would provide a list of markers that have not been placed for deceased governors, along with possible locations, at the September Commission meeting.

Dr. Lawrence moved to accept the policy for commissioners to approve directly without the usual panel review historical markers to honor all deceased Pennsylvania governors. Mr. Wenger seconded the motion. Motion approved to accept the policy for commissioners to approve directly without the usual panel review historical markers to honor all deceased Pennsylvania governors.

Dr. Glass reported that the committee is recommending that all PHMC operated facilities and placed properties have historical markers installed at their entrances.

Dr. Lawrence moved that we accept the policy recommending all PHMC operated facilities and placed properties have historical markers installed at the entrances. Ms. Kolb

seconded the motion. Motion approved to accept the policy recommending all PHMC operated facilities and placed properties have historical markers installed at the entrances.

Dr. Glass reported that the committee was not prepared to recommend a policy to place historical markers in all townships and boroughs. The committee is recommending that the Commission not place historical markers in townships and boroughs. These markers would recognize local history, not state history. This policy would also be an expensive program, at a cost of approximately \$3 million for installation of markers in townships and boroughs, plus annual maintenance. The committee would encourage all townships and boroughs to participate in nominating markers to the Commission. The Commission would offer technical assistance to townships and boroughs that want to place local markers. The Commission would also work with the Department of Transportation to assist communities on maintaining existing township markers.

2. Historic Properties Committee

Chairman Klein announced that a list of the Volunteer of the Year award nominations was included in the Commission packet. Ms. Kolb reported the program has been ongoing for years. The Commission receives thousands of hours of volunteer time. Once a year each associate group nominates a volunteer from their site to be recognized by the Commission. This year the Commission has a separate resolution for Jack Terrill, President of the Bushy Run Battlefield Heritage Society, as the Outstanding PHMC Volunteer for 2002.

Ms. Kolb calls for a motion to approve a resolution for Mr. Terrill and the Volunteer of the Year Award Nominations. On a motion by Mr. Wolfe, seconded by Mr. Wenger, the following resolutions were approved:

04.02.01 WHEREAS, the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission through its associate organizations has for more than 30 years been encouraging volunteer activities at its museums and historic sites, and;

WHEREAS, the collective volunteer contributions have vastly improved the quality of the public's experiences at these sites and museums and made possible a variety of high-quality public programs,

WHEREAS, the Executive Director of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission has requested from the Associate Organizations a nominee for Outstanding Volunteer Awards for 2001, and;

WHEREAS, the individual nominees submitted by these organizations have made a significant difference to the sites or museums through their creativity, commitment of time, and innovative program planning and accomplishments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission that we formally recognize the following individuals as Volunteers of the Year for 2001:

Helen Weinschenk
Anthracite Heritage Museum & Scranton Iron Furnaces

Kevin and Carol Knight
Brandywine Battlefield Park Associates

Jean Loughry and William Woodside
Bushy Run Battlefield Heritage Society

Lester P. Breininger, Jr.
Friends of Conrad Weiser Homestead

Herman and Patricia Dundore
Cornwall Iron Furnace Associates

Michael Shaudis
Friends of Daniel Boone Homestead

Robert Archer
The Colonel, Inc.

Mary Ann Miller
Eckley Miners Village Associates

Esther Haller
Ephrata Cloister Associates

Richard and Allene Kraus
Flagship Niagara League

George Zenuh
Fort Pitt Museum Associates

John Brunner
Friends of Graeme Park

Marcy Slater
Friends of Hope Lodge and Mather Mill

Esther Walter
Friends of Joseph Priestley House

Janet Garman
Landis Valley Associates

Charles Krepley
The Harmonie Associates

John Washko
The Pennsbury Society

Jean Leslie
Pennsylvania Lumber Museum Associates

Stanley Weintraub
Friends of the Pennsylvania Military Museum

M. Loretta Harrison
Friends of the Railroad Museum of Pennsylvania

Donna Bumbarger
Historical and Genealogical Society of Somerset County

Doris Kennedy
Friends of Washington Crossing Historic Park

Fred Widmann
Friends of the State Museum

04.02.02 WHEREAS, Jack Terrill has been involved with the Bushy Run Battlefield Heritage Society since 1990. He has held several offices within the organization including his most recent service as Society President. Jack was integral in Bushy Run's

development and execution of the critical project to acquire historical property integral to the battle of Bushy Run and our ability to interpret that event in 2000 and 2001. Jack spearheaded the fund raising campaign for the local area and took a lead role in energizing the foundation community to get behind the project. He then administered the campaign records and followed up contributions with thank you letters and reports.

WHEREAS, Mr. Terrill has also been instrumental with the improvements to the original “stone room” portion of the museum ordering new chairs, tables, fireplace screen and tools, and a new lectern. These items were purchased with fund from the Heritage Society.

WHEREAS, Mr. Terrill has been a staunch supporter and volunteer contributor to the Ohio Country Conference, Bushy Run Battlefields’ successful academic/public conference. Jack coordinated the volunteers necessary to run the program.

WHEREAS, Mr. Terrill continues to play a key role in setting up Bushy Run’s artifact collection endowment with revenue from the annual battle reenactment and from funds donated by Mr. Griffing, a noted artist interested in the preservation of Bushy Run. Those funds have allowed the purchase of key interpretive artifacts (a tomahawk and the stone relief carving) for the museum.

WHEREAS, Jack speaks on the history of Bushy Run throughout the region to various organizations. He assists the site educator with the training of new interpreters and has been an active interpreter, giving tours of the exhibits on Fridays. Jack remains Bushy Run’s most active interpreter for school tours, giving tours and presentations to hundreds of school children each year. As such, Jack has helped to define the Bushy Run’s school program as one of the top presentations in the region.

Dr. Patrick asked how are the resolutions transmitted. Dr. Glass reported that the resolutions would be presented at the Associates Forum on May 11. Dr. Patrick suggested that we display their names on a plaque at each site.

Chairman Klein called for a motion to approve the Volunteer of the Year Award Nominations and the resolution for Jack Terrill with the suggestion the Commission look into some sort of recognition at the site. Mr. Wenger seconded the motion. Volunteer of the Year Award Nominations were approved. (ATTACHMENT C)

2. Grants Committee – Marketing Matching Grants Rankings

Chairman Klein reported that Ms. Schleicher could not be with us today to give a report. Everyone should have received in the Commission packet the list of ranked sites for marketing grants.

Ms. Kolb moved for approval of the Marketing Matching Grant Rankings. Dr. Lawrence seconded the motion. Marketing Matching Grant Rankings were approved. (Attachment D)

VIII. COURTESY RESOLUTIONS

Chairman Klein called for a motion to approve courtesy resolutions for Local Awards for the Conference on Black History in Pennsylvania. On a motion by Ms. Kolb, seconded by Dr. Lawrence, the following resolutions were approved:

04.02.03

WHEREAS, Raymond Crenshaw has worked in public office and in other capacities on behalf of the citizens of York; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Crenshaw distinguished himself through his service on the York City Council from 1992 through 2001; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Crenshaw brought important issues before the public during his unsuccessful but honorable and energetic campaign for the office of Mayor of York in 2001; and

WHEREAS, in his earlier career, Mr. Crenshaw provided exceptional public service to the citizens of York, first as a caseworker in the York County Office of Welfare and later in the Office of the Deputy Secretary for Administration of the Pennsylvania Department of Welfare; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Crenshaw was chosen by Governor Raymond Shafer to head the Governor's Branch Office in York and elsewhere in the state during the tumultuous summers of the 1960s; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Crenshaw has registered and educated York voters for many years and mentored African American candidates for public office in the city;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESEOLVED THAT the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission recognizes and congratulates Raymond Crenshaw for his many

important contributions to the African American community in York and to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Tresa Diggs

WHEREAS, Tresa Diggs has devoted her entire professional career to teaching and administration in the York City School system; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Diggs is currently the Assistant Superintendent for Student Services in the York City School system; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Diggs distinguished herself through her service, first as Acting Principal, then as Principal of William Penn Senior High School, beginning in 1991; and

WHEREAS, the students of William Penn Senior High School honored Dr. Diggs as an outstanding “Mover and Shaker” in 1998; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Diggs worked with distinction as an English teacher at Phineas Davis Junior High School, beginning in the 1970s, and then as a business teacher at William Penn Senior High School through 1991;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission recognizes and congratulates Tresa Diggs for her many important contributions to the African American community in York and to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Larry A. Jones

WHEREAS, Larry A. Jones has distinguished himself by his volunteer service to many organizations and people in the city of York: and

WHEREAS, in recent years, Mr. Jones has been making his considerable talents as a photographer available to the York County Heritage Trust for its Underground Railroad project and other activities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones worked for two years as a VISTA volunteer with the South George Street Community Partnership, Inc., during which time he served at the Help Desk and as a photographer during important community events, including visits to York by President Bill Clinton and Governor Tom Ridge; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones assisted the director of the computer lab at the Crispus Attucks Community Center and provided distinguished service to the city’s youth during 1998 and 1999; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones worked in York for over thirty years for Caterpillar, Inc., as a forklift operator, machinist, parts auditor, and in other capacities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Jones served his country as a member of the United States Air Force from 1964 through 1968 and is currently a member of the Air Force Reserves;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission recognizes and congratulates Larry A. Jones for his many important contributions to the African American community of York and to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Shirley Johnson

WHEREAS, Shirley Johnson has served the citizens of York as a businesswoman, volunteer, and community activist since the 1990s; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson works at the Martin Library to make improved technology and reading skills available to residents of public housing communities in York; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson is a principal of Shirwill Consultants, a business specializing in community building, self-esteem promotion, and economic development for minority communities; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson served as an AmeriCorps/VISTA volunteer with the South George Street Community Partnership and supported many grassroots community projects and other activities within a sixty-block area around South George Street; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson served as a VISTA leader and led the marketing of a community access network, "YorkCan," which brought computer access to South George Street area residents; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson delivered training and technical assistance for the Corporation for National Service and coordinated events for the 35th anniversary of VISTA in Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson is an active member of the Foster Grandparents Advisory Board, the Victims Assistance Committee, the Diversity Coalition of York County, the Team of Trainers, the NAACP, the Audubon Society, and many other community groups; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Johnson is an active participant in the Community Dialogues to help bring understanding and healing to York residents in light of the 1969 York riots; and

WHEREAS, has served the York County Heritage Trust and the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission with true distinction as the local coordinator for the 25th annual Conference on Black History in Pennsylvania;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission recognizes and congratulates Shirley Johnson for her many important contributions to the African American community in York and to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Deborah Kittrell-McMillan

WHEREAS, Deborah Kittrell-McMillan is a distinguished physician with Yorktowne Family Medicine who has provided service to the citizens of York for many years; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kittrell-McMillan has gained distinction and notoriety among medical professionals, religious leaders, and others for her informed and sincere advocacy of the power of faith in healing and the belief that spirituality plays an important role in the quality of life; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kittrell-McMillan has worked with her husband to found the annual African American Love Fest to honor individuals within the local community; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Kittrell-McMillan has been an active member of her church and formed neighborhood organizations to provide social services to the community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission recognizes and congratulates Dr. Deborah Kittrell-McMillan for her many important contributions to the African American community of York and to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Dorrie Leader

WHEREAS, Dorrie Leader has been a lifelong advocate for civil rights and social justice; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Leader has served actively on the education committee of the York County Heritage Trust and has been a driving force in the creation of the Trust's African American Focus Group; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Leader and her family have donated time and funding to York County Heritage Trust educational exhibits and programs, including the Underground Railroad exhibit "You will find friends there," and the PHMC's Conference on Black History in Pennsylvania, that have together raised public awareness of African American history and culture; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Leader is an active member of other local and national organizations, including the YWCA and the Crispus Attucks Association, that are dedicated to the betterment of all citizens; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Leader participated with other York residents and members of her family in Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s 1964 March on Washington and other civil rights events;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission recognizes and congratulates Dorrie Leader for her many important contributions to the African American community of York and to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Daisy Myers

WHEREAS, Daisy Myers is an educator and administrator who holds a prominent place in the history civil rights in Pennsylvania; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Myers, her husband, and children refused to surrender to racist and criminal attacks when they became the first African American family to move to the Pennsylvania town of Levittown, Bucks County, in 1957; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Myers and her family worked with local and state officials to help discourage and prevent such acts of injustice; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Myers has refused to become embittered by her experiences in Levittown and has instead chosen to use the Levittown events to teach tolerance and humanitarian principles to other Pennsylvanians and Americans; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Myers later moved to York County and pursued a distinguished career as a teacher in the York City School system and an administrator in Congressman Bill Goodling's office; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Myers is the subject of Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission exhibits, publications, and programs;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission recognizes and congratulates Daisy Myers for her many important contributions to the African American community of York and to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Keenan Preston

WHEREAS, Keenan Preston has been a distinguished educator and coach at William Penn High School for many years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Preston is a highly regarded English teacher who recently returned to William Penn after overcoming serious health problems and who agreed to coach the school's boys' basketball team in 2001 despite lingering health concerns; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Preston had firmly established his distinguished reputation as a teacher and coach for twelve seasons in the 1980s and 1990s, having achieved a .780 winning percentage and numerous county and district championships; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Preston was himself a prominent member of one of the most successful William Penn basketball teams in history and the recipient of a much deserved athletic scholarship to Penn State University, where he distinguished himself academically and athletically; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Preston has become a role model for his students, colleagues, and others;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission recognizes and congratulates Keenan Preston for his many important contributions to the African American community of York and to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Robert L. “Bobby” Simpson

WHEREAS, Robert L. “Bobby” Simpson rose from an economically deprived childhood in York to become a respected community leader; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Simpson has directed the Crispus Attucks Community Center in York since 1979; and

WHEREAS, under Mr. Simpson’s leadership, the Crispus Attucks Community Center has expanded its annual budget from \$300,000 to \$5,000,000 and more than tripled its number of staff; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Simpson has transformed his organization into one that has provided decent housing for many citizens, built a senior center and charter school, developed educational and social programs, and much more; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission recognizes and congratulates Robert L. “Bobby” Simpson for his many important contribution to the African American community of York and to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

William Lee Smallwood

WHEREAS, William Lee Smallwood is a distinguished public servant and businessman; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Smallwood is the first African American to hold a seat on the York City Council, having been appointed in 1977; the longest serving member of the Council in

history, having been elected in five successive elections beginning in 1983; and a former Council President; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Smallwood successfully introduced bills to the City Council that resulted in significantly improved housing, improved small business opportunities, recognized Martin Luther King's birthday as a legal holiday, and much more; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Smallwood chaired the task force to reorganize city government in 1994, played a pivotal role in creating the city's Office of Economic Development, co-chaired the 1990 Task Force on Minority Business Development that led to the creation of the Chamber of Commerce's Office of Minority Business Development, sponsored the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission's historical marker honoring William C. Goodridge, and more; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Smallwood has served in positions with Penn State University-York, the Crispus Attucks Community Development Corporation, the Crispus Attucks Community Center, and other public and private organizations; and

WHEREAS, has won numerous community awards, served on numerous boards and committees for many different community and church organizations, and served in the United States Air Force;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission recognizes and congratulates William Lee Smallwood for his many important contributions to the African American community of York and to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Timothy Warfield, Sr.

WHEREAS, Timothy Warfield, Sr., has provided valuable public service in and around York for many years; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Warfield was appointed by Governor Raymond Shafer to serve in the Governor's Branch Office in York during the 1969 riots that disrupted the city; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Warfield was later appointed to office with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania as Director of the Office of Mental Health, Department of Public Welfare, and Director of the Bureau of Human Resources, Department of Community Affairs; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Warfield worked for three years at the Crispus Attucks Community Center in York as Director of Neighborhood Revitalization, in which position he recruited the Enterprise Foundation to help revitalize the southeast section of the city and contributed in other ways to the city's economic development and its people's welfare; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Warfield currently serves the citizens of York and Pennsylvania through his position with the United States Office of Economic Opportunity;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission recognizes and congratulates Timothy Warfield, Sr., for his many important contributions to the African American community of York and to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Chairman Klein called for a motion to approve the resolution for the 100th Anniversary of the Mount Zion Monument. On motion by Ms. Kolb, seconded by Mr. Wolfe, the following resolution was approved:

04.02.04 Whereas, Ephrata was founded in 1732 along the Cocalico Creek by German emigrant and spiritual leader, Georg Conrad Beissel; and,

Whereas, Ephrata was one of several charitable communities in the region asked to care for sick and wounded soldiers following the Philadelphia Campaign of 1777 in America's fight for independence; and,

Whereas, Mount Zion Cemetery on Ephrata Cloister historic site is the final resting place of those heroes who lost their lives while hospitalized at Ephrata; and,

Whereas, The Ephrata Monument Association was incorporated in 1845 by the citizens of Ephrata and surrounding towns to pay tribute to both the individuals who offered medical care and comfort to the sick and wounded as well as to the brave Revolutionary War Soldiers who fought and died for their new country; and,

Whereas, The Ephrata Monument Association began an initiative of commemorative programs known as Patriot's Day in 1894 to raise awareness of the significance of Ephrata's role in the Revolutionary War and to garner community support for the erection of a monument on Mount Zion Cemetery; and,

Whereas, The Ephrata Monument Association successfully acquired an appropriation from the Pennsylvania State Legislature, approved by Governor Stone and signed into law on July 17, 1901; and,

Whereas, a towering granite monument on Mount Zion Cemetery was unveiled and dedicated in a grand and festive community program attended by 10,000 people on May 1, 1902,

Now Therefore Be It Resolved that the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission recognizes the 100th anniversary of the dedication of the Mount Zion Monument and commends the citizens of the Borough of Ephrata for a community effort that stands as a permanent symbol of democracy and a tribute to those who fought to

achieve it for all Americans. The vision of former generations instilled with community pride and a patriotic spirit has fulfilled its purpose for one century and will doubtless stand as a lasting symbol of freedom through the ages.

Chairman Klein asked Mr. Wesley to present the retirement resolution for Sybil Jane Worden. Mr. Wesley commented that Ms. Worden worked for the Commission for 55 years. For 51 of those years, Ms. Worden worked in the Human Resources Office. Mr. Wesley presented the following retirement resolution.

04.02.05 Whereas, Sybil Jane Worden began her professional career with the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission in 1947 in the History Division;

Whereas, Ms. Worden has served as a public servant under the administrations of Governors Duff, Fine, Leader, Lawrence, Scranton, Shafer, Shapp (2 Terms), Thornburgh, (2 terms), Casey (2 Terms), Ridge and Governor Schweiker;

Whereas, Ms. Worden was employed during the terms of 10 Historical and Museum Commissions, occasionally performing duties associated with their work;

Whereas, Ms. Worden worked during and for Executive Directors Donald A. Cadzow, Sylvester K. Stevens, William J. Wewer, Larry E. Tise and Brent D. Glass;

Whereas, Ms. Worden's longevity with the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission exceeds that of all current and former Commission employees, all current and former employees of the State's Human Resources program and the tenure of 99.9% of all other Commonwealth employees;

Whereas, during her tenure with the Commission Ms. Worden received promotions on several occasions to positions of higher responsibility and has received numerous awards, letters of appreciation and certificates attesting to her outstanding service, innovation and dedication;

Whereas, during her years of service Ms. Worden has transacted thousands of personnel appointments, transfers, reclassifications and other actions and provided advice, assistance and personnel support to even a greater number of employees and prospective employees;

Whereas, Ms. Worden is regarded in high esteem for her experience, knowledge, stalwart manner and dedication to personnel management by Commission staff, the Office of Administration and her peers in Personnel Offices throughout other Commonwealth agencies;

Whereas, Ms. Worden is an honorary member of the Penn State Alumni Association as designated by her Bureau Director, President of the Friends of Joe Pa Club and Chairwoman of the Monday Morning Nittany Lion Quarterback Club;

Whereas, regardless of snow, rain, sleet or hail, and in spite of a winning or losing year, Ms. Worden never misses being in her 50 yard line season ticket seats at Beaver Stadium to cheer on her Lions team;

Whereas, Ms. Worden has unselfishly given of herself, her time and her support to others at work, in her personal life and through her civic and volunteer efforts;

Whereas, Ms. Worden is a faithful friend to her co-workers, neighbors, associates and to her many four-legged friends; and,

Whereas, Ms. Worden has been a dedicated, loyal and dependable employee of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission for 55 years;

Now Therefore, Be it resolved, that the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission does hereby recognize the value, loyalty and dedication this public servant, lifelong friend and employee has brought to this organization;

Be it also resolved that the members of the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission hereby grant to Sybil Jane Worden a lifetime membership in the Pennsylvania Heritage Society and full rights, privileges and benefits befitting a Society member;

Be it further resolved, that the Commission wishes to extend to Ms. Sybil Jane Worden the best of health, fulfillment and enjoyment that retirement has to offer.

Several commissioners commented that Ms. Worden is an extraordinary person and that the Commission should do more for her than passing a resolution, possibly a luncheon or dinner. Ms. Kolb asked if Ms. Worden would do an oral history program. Mr. Wesley reported that the Commission is currently working on this project.

Ms. Walsh added that the Commission staff is working on a memory album, and if anyone would like to send a card, it should be mailed to Ms. Schleicher, Ms. Gobrecht or herself.

Chairman Klein asked Mr. Wesley to encourage Ms. Worden to attend the May 22 Commission meeting so that the resolution may be presented to her.

Chairman Klein called for a motion to approve a retirement resolution for Sybil Jane Worden. On motion by Ms. Kolb, seconded by Dr. Patrick, the retirement resolution for Sybil Jane Worden was approved.

IX. STATUS REPORTS

1. Policy Manual

Chairman Klein reported that she and Dr. Glass would get together and update the existing policy manual. The Policy Manual Committee also consists of Dr. Cornell and Dr. Lawrence.

2. Guidelines for Archaeology Professionals

Dr. Glass reported that the staff is revising the guidelines that were approved by the Commission in 1998 as suggested by our Chief Counsel. We are working out a more streamlined process for determining which consultants are included in the list of approved consultants. We would also determine if the work done is satisfactory and, if not, the consultant would be taken off the list. Dr. Adovasio and our Chief Counsel will review the new guidelines before we present them to the Commission.

3. State Museum and Archives Renovations

Dr. Glass reported that the staff members are devoting a tremendous amount of time working with the architect. We also have a Community Advisory Committee that has met twice. This committee represents the neighbors of the museum, city and county, government, business and legislative delegation. Chairman Klein has appointed Fran Cleaver from the Commission to also serve on the Committee.

On May 8, we will receive the bids for first phase construction for the ground floor renovations for the State Museum and the roof replacements for both the State Museum and Archives buildings. On May 17 we will receive the proposals for exhibit designers.

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Chairman Klein asked if there was any unfinished business.

Dr. Lawrence reported that in the latest issue of the American Association for State and Local History Dispatch there is an article on a former Commissioner, John Herbst, who is running for office in the AASLH.

Chairman Klein announced that Meadowcroft Rockshelter will be featured in a two-hour Discovery Channel program called "The Real Eve," which will air April 21 at 9 p.m. – 11 p.m. Eastern Time.

Ms. Kolb asked what the status is of the controversy at Independence Park regarding the Presidents House. Dr. Glass did not have any updates. He believes several groups are discussing with the National Park Service how their interpretation of the Liberty Bell can better reflect the story of the

Presidents House. Ms. Kolb asked if the Commission has expressed concern to the National Park Service on this issue. Dr. Glass said the Commission has not sent anything to the National Park Service.

Dr. Glass does not know how the National Park Service is going to represent the President's House or the issue of slavery. Currently, if you go to the park, the Liberty Bell interpretation includes the fact that abolitionists named the Liberty Bell. The story of slavery and the connection of the Liberty Bell to Anti-Slavery are already in the interpretation. Dr. Glass does not believe that the current interpretation includes the fact that slaves were present on the site itself. The National Park Service is being asked to consider incorporating this issue into the new pavilion.

Dr. Patrick asked if the Commission could express its concern to the National Park Service on the issue of the President's House. Dr. Glass believes it would be appropriate if the Commission resolved to encourage the staff to be active with the National Park Service and take an active role in the interpretation of the President's House.

Ms. Kolb called for a motion for the Commission to send a letter to the National Park Service expressing our concern about an accurate interpretation of the history of the Liberty Bell. Dr. Adovasio seconded the motion. Motion approved. (Copy of letter attached to minutes, see ATTACHMENT E)

XI. ADJOURNMENT

At the request of Ms. Kolb, Chairman Klein called for adjournment of the meeting. Dr. Lawrence seconded the motion for adjournment. Motion approved. The meeting adjourned at 11:55 a.m. A tour of Cornwall Iron Furnace followed.

Chairman Klein announced the next Commission meeting would be held May 22 at 9:30 a.m. in the fifth Floor Board Room of The State Museum of Pennsylvania.

