

Minutes
CITY OF RICHMOND, INDIANA
HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION
Richmond City Council Chambers
Monday, June 11, 2012

5:00 P.M.

Attendance: President Michael Thuman ___X___, Don Nordstrom ___X___, David Inderstrod____, Lynn Johnstone ___X___, Jill Nelson_X___, Joe Schroeder ___X___, John Oberle (vacant) _____, Scott Zimmerman, Staff___X___.
Four members constitute a quorum and official action may be taken.

Guest: RCS Superintendent Dr. Allen Bourff, Scott Bartle

Approve Minutes – May, 2012

Jill moved, Michael seconded to approve the May minutes. Passed unanimously.

BUSINESS

Dr. Bourff thanked the commission for the time to revise the nomination to meet DHPA standards. Roger Smith, former Director of Facilities for RCS, started the process of getting the school listed in the National Register. At this moment, however, there is concern expressed by RCS attorney Ron Cross about potential restrictions listing in the register would impose on the school corporation.

Dr. Bourff raised questions about whether additions would be possible and potential interior work that might impact the historic character. There is a potential to receive Federal funds for technology improvements which could require removal of some of the last remaining chalk boards or dropping ceilings in the original first floor rooms.

Scott pointed out that Section 106 review of work on historic buildings only comes into play when Federal funds are used, not local tax dollars. In addition, Sect. 106 review takes place even if the building is considered eligible for the National Register, which it is according to the Wayne County Historic Sites and Structures Inventory.

Michael thanked Dr. Bourff for the school corporation's diligence in preserving the character of its various historic buildings.

Lynn moved and Michael seconded to table review of the nomination until Scott and a staff member of the DHPA could meet with the school corporation. Motion passed unanimously.

Jill moved and Michael seconded to NOT meeting in July in order to give time to have the meeting requested above. Motion passed unanimously.

Jill said that John Oberle has filmed the MRL session for Historic Richmond Today and is working on it.

Don will work on preparing a plan to request funding for an action plan to preserve at risk buildings. His plan will state the specific goals the plan will address. Scott was asked to have someone come and talk about NSP and Unsafe Building list being developed.