

3.2.2017 - Residence Commission Minutes

The initial meeting of the newly appointed Governor's Residence Commission was held on March 2, 2017 in the Hoosier Room at the Residence

Commission members in attendance were:

Bill Browne
Ann Frick
Lou Gerig
Vicki Goode
Julie Kirby
Jackie Morris
Shandon Whistler

Also in attendance were:

First Lady Janet Holcomb
Earl Goode, Chief of Staff to Governor Eric Holcomb
Jessica Robertson, Commissioner, Indiana Department of Administration (IDOA)
Brian Renner, Deputy Commissioner – Operations, IDOA
Marianne Molony, Chief of Staff to First Lady Janet Holcomb

Prior to bringing the meeting to order, Earl Goode welcomed the group to the initial meeting and introductions were made.

The meeting was brought to order at 1:40 pm with Lou Gerig, Vice Chairman, presiding.

The group discussed and adopted the Agenda for the meeting.

The motion was made and seconded to appoint Jackie Morris Secretary.

- a. The First Lady discussed the timetable of renovations and redecorating, and stated that her priority is the second floor living quarters. To that end, we discussed bringing the existing furniture back to the Residence from the IDOA warehouse and the Carriage House and then filling in the holes and adding fresh paint colors, rugs and accessories.
- b. Commissioner Robertson presented an overview (attached) of the portion of the project the IDOA is coordinating.
- c. There was discussion of the budget and state funds vs. private funding. Ms. Robertson explained that some of the determining factors are: permanent structural improvements vs. cosmetic changes, justifiable expenses vs. personal preference. Brian Renner added that MSR is considered a tax payer owned asset.

- d. Commission members were reminded that members of the Governor's Public Building Foundation are the only ones who can solicit funds or in-kind contributions such as appliances, furniture, etc.
- e. Discussion of the Hoosier Room and the possibility of changing the appearance to better blend with the original portion of the house.
- f. Contracting Authority: The Commission has the authority to contract. For projects over \$150k, there is a pre-qualified list of vendors and the Commission will defer to IDOA.
- g. Bill Browne, Ratio Design agreed to do an assessment and talk about the project from an architectural point of view at our next meeting.
- h. Legal: Link to required online Ethics training will be sent to all members, and a member of the Governor's Office Legal team will attend the next meeting to answer questions.
- i. Commission members were invited to walk through the Residence to get a feel for the scope of the project

The date and time of the next meeting will be determined.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m.