

City of Coral Gables

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Meeting Minutes

Monday, April 13, 2026

9:30 AM

Sister Cities Conference Room - Coral Gables Museum

Coral Gables Merrick House Governing Board

*Chairperson Genevieve Orr
Board Member Mary Beth Burke
Board Member Carmen Cason
Board Member Bonnie Crouch Seipp
Board Member Alexis Ehrenhaft
Board Member Maria C. O'Naghten
Board Member Susan Rodriguez*

The Coral Gables Merrick House Governing Board will be holding its Regular Meeting on Monday, April 13, 2026, commencing at 9:30 am EST.

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I. CALL TO ORDER: 9:30 AM

Present: 3 - Board Member Cason, Chairperson Orr and Vice Chairperson Burke

Absent: 1 - Board Member Rodriguez

Excused: 3 - Board Member Crouch Seipp, Board Member Ehrenhaft and Board Member Onaghten

Quorum was not reached. Board member O'Naghten was attending via Zoom. Chairperson Orr, Vice Chairperson Burke, and Board member Cason were in attendance. NO ACTION WAS TAKEN.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: 3 - Board Member Cason, Chairperson Orr and Vice Chairperson Burke

Absent: 3 - Board Member Crouch Seipp, Board Member Ehrenhaft and Board Member Rodriguez

Excused: 1 - Board Member Onaghten

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

1. [26-1420](#) Merrick House Meeting Minutes for March 9, 2026

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. [26-1421](#) Merrick House Activity Report - March 2026

V. OLD BUSINESS

VI. CITY COMMISSION ITEMS

VII. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. **Community Event - Lauren Krauss, local resident, discussed having a community event at the House for young families with children. Interested in having this event on a Sunday morning in October/November.**
2. **Special Guest - Denman Fink's great granddaughter visited the Merrick House in April.**
3. **Museum Pass - Chairperson Orr investigated this program and concluded it would be overwhelming for the docents.**
4. **Sensitivity Training - Staff will follow up on this.**

VIII. ITEMS FROM THE SECRETARY

IX. ADJOURNMENT: 10:47 AM

NOTE