

CORAL GABLES MERRICK HOUSE GOVERNING BOARD MEETING

Regular Meeting Minutes of December 1, 2008

Coral Gables Merrick House

907 Coral Way, Coral Gables, Florida 33134

MEMBERS	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D	COMMISSIONERS
Barbara Reese	P	E	P	P	E	P	-	P	P	P	P	P	Mayor Donald D. Slesnick, II
Margaret Steele	P	P	P	P	P	E	-	P	P	P	P	P	Vice-Mayor William H. Kerdyk, Jr.
Jany Marchena	P	P	E	P	P	P	-	P	P	P	E	A	Comm. Maria Anderson
Olga Baquero-Lima	P	P	P	P	P	P	-	E	P	P	P	P	Comm. Rafael "Ralph" Cabrera, Jr.
Laura Yusko	E	P	P	P	P	P	-	P	P	P	P	P	Comm. Wayne "Chip" Withers
Marie Vacca	P	P	P	P	P	P	-	P	P	P	P	E	Board Appointee
Sondra Space	P	P	P	P	P	E	P	-	P	P	P	P	City Manager

STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:

Kara Kautz, Historic Preservation Officer

A = Absent

E = Excused

P = Present

*** = Special Meeting**

- = No Meeting

^ = New Member

+ = Resigned

RECORDING SECRETARY: Nancy C. Morgan, Coral Gables Services, Inc.

Chair Yusko called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

Meeting Attendance:

Ms. Baquero-Lima made a motion to excuse the absence of Ms. Vacca. The motion was approved.

Committee Reports:

Holiday Open House:

After distributing an updated checklist for the December 13 Holiday Open House, Ms. Baquero-Lima and Board members reviewed and discussed a myriad of details, including invitations, signage, donation box, Santa, face painting, self-guided House tours, food, seating, publicity, entertainment,

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vendors, cleaning and budget issues. Two docents will oversee the self-guided tours. Responsibilities of Board members and staff were reviewed.

House Report:

Ms. Kautz will give a report at the next meeting.

Old Business:

None reported.

New Business:

Refrigerator:

This topic will be addressed in January.

Discussion Items:

Silver Service: The necessity of cleaning Merrick silver service pieces was discussed. Ms. Steele volunteered to polish the silver.

Board Items/City Commission Update/City Projects Update:

Ms. Kautz updated Board members on the Coral Gables Museum's gingerbread house contest. To date, there are approximately 25 entrants.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Next Meeting: Monday, January 19, 2009, 8:45 a.m., Merrick House

Respectfully submitted,

Kara N. Kautz

Historic Preservation Officer