



**City of Coral Gables  
CITY COMMISSION MEETING  
December 16, 2014**

**ITEM TITLE:**

Coral Gables Merrick House Governing Board meeting of November 10, 2014.

**SUMMARY OF MEETING:**

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Events Committee:

- *Sundays on the Porch with George* series reviewed and updated.

HOUSE REPORT: October 2014

- Total visitors in October: 7 Adults; 3 Seniors; 2 Students; 0 Youth; 0 Children; plus 51 people touring during Halloween Hoedown.
- Trust Fund Balance: \$20,863 (Expenditure account); \$0 (Revenue account, pending deposit of \$2,822 from October SOTPWG event).
- Roxy O'Neal Bolton Fund: \$4,939 (unchanged).
- A Villagers grant was submitted and approved for funding.
- State of Florida Grant: Ms. Spain reported that a grant to the State of Florida for \$350,000 was submitted at the end of October to add to funds already committed by the City for the House restoration project.
- A period-appropriate headboard donation was offered by Whitney Huttig. During favorable discussion about the donation, it was agreed that the headboard could be stored in the House attic for later use.

A motion was made and seconded to accept the headboard donation offered by Whitney Huttig, which will be stored for future use. (*Unanimously approved*)

OLD BUSINESS: Richard Merrick Paintings; Front Porch Wicker Furniture Proposal

NEW BUSINESS: Proposed Dress Donation; Villagers House Rental Application; South Miami Garden Club House Rental Request;

A motion was made and seconded to approve the dress donation of Toni Garcia. (*Unanimously approved*)

DISCUSSION ITEMS: Coral Gables Annual Holiday Party for Board and Committees; House American Flag; Girl Scout Project to Benefit Merrick House; House Restoration Update; Board Election of Vice Chair

A motion was made and seconded to support Mary Adams' Girl Scout project in her quest to earn the Gold Girl Scout Award. (*Unanimously approved*)

A motion was made and seconded to nominate and elect Ms. Rodriguez as Board Vice Chair. (*Unanimously approved*)