



**City of Coral Gables
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
March 25, 2015**

ITEM TITLE:

Coral Gables Merrick House Governing Board meeting of February 13, 2015.

SUMMARY OF MEETING:

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Events Committee:

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

HOUSE REPORT: January 2015:

- Total visitors in January: 10 Adults; 11 Seniors; 12 Students; 0 Youth; 2 Children.
- Trust Fund Balance: \$26,528 (expenditure account); \$1,483 (revenue account).
- There is a potential project to be submitted for a Girl Scout Gold Award, proposed as creating room-by-room laminated placards for House self-tours. The project needs to be approved by the Girl Scout Council.
- Roxy O'Neal Bolton Fund: \$4,939 (unchanged).
- Rental Requests: None

DISCUSSION ITEMS: Financial Aspects of SOTPWG Events

OLD BUSINESS: Villagers Event, Saturday, January 24, 2015; South Miami Garden Club Meeting; Porch Furniture; Paid Docent Position; Renovation Update

A motion was made and seconded to abandon the idea of wicker porch furniture and instead explore the purchase of a maximum of eleven stone garden benches to be placed on the wraparound porch of the House. During discussion, Ms. Meagher proposed an amendment to the motion, accepted by Ms. Ebbert and Ms. Lam, to underwrite the cost of the benches (approximately \$500 each) by offering bench dedication rights to interested people or groups. (*Unanimously approved*)

NEW BUSINESS: None.

ATTACHMENT(S):1. Minutes of Coral Gables Merrick House Governing Board meeting of February 13, 2015.