

## Sept. 12, 2006 - Carrie Kiely's home

**In attendance:** Toni Seccomb, Justine Conlan, Erick Vines, Max Detjens, Robert Edwards, Mitzi Rossillon, Irene Scheidecker, Andrea Stierle, Kelly Rose, Larry Smith, Julie Crowley, Dick Gibson, Brian Woodford, Mykl Meagher, Clarence Hak, Nicole Von Gaza and Carrie Kiely, who forgot to make copies of last month's meeting minutes again. Members were encouraged to read the minutes posted on the website and send their comments to Carrie.

The **Treasurer's report** showed our balance at \$5,791, and most of last month's activity consisted of paying bills.

**Education committee report** - the pamphlet on historic design is still in the works. Larry thought it would be nice to have some out-of-town publicity for the Dust-to-Dazzle tours. Discussion followed as to what we're going to do for next year's tour. Kelly asked for members to think about who would be likely candidates. Robert thought he might have something, and asked about moving the date to some other time besides the 4th of July. Some discussion followed, but the consensus remained with that date.

**Ordinance and Oversight** - Where's the ordinance? Mitzi said the historical commission met today (9/12) and approved it. It's subject to review by at least 2 more committees and 3 more public hearings. Nicole and Clarence asked for some background information. Mitzi added comment on the new "Class 0" designation and asked for some draft comments from CPR by the next meeting. Julie said that we needed to really push public education to build a sense of appreciation for what's here, especially with the local government officials. Mitzi added that CPR needed to start working to build a real constituency with the residents, primarily Uptown.

**Historic Improvement Program** - Kelly commented on the progress at Phyllis' house. Larry talked some about work was going on the Baptist Church. Mitzi said she heard from the woman on Granite St., which was positive. Perhaps the work will get done there. Andrea reported on Janice Hogan and Robert gave us a quick rundown on his property. He added that he noted it's a pause on the trolley tour! Larry thought that it might be a good idea to post the addresses of the homes that have received grant money on the website. Mitzi thought that some mention of partners and donors would be a good idea, as well. Some of the "saves" were also discussed, mostly the Acoma. Julie asked about preserving ghost signs.

**Reception** - Dick brought his PowerPoint program for review. Everyone agreed that it was very good. Mitzi suggested adding something more about the window workshop. Julie needed to find out about tables. Robert wanted to know how many would be needed. It was decided that the final count would be determined during the setup on Thursday, September 21st. Larry and Carrie will meet to get email list finalized for a scatter mailing, urging members to attend.

**Longfellow School** - Larry passed around a copy of Steve Luft's letter to the editor about the situation. Some discussion followed about the salvage potential for the I.C. school. Larry said he talked to Dori Skrukud about that. There didn't appear to be much. Mitzi summarized the contents of the newspaper article about the Longfellow School for members who didn't know, and added a statement from the HPO that the situation may be "anticipatory demolition", which is not a legal use of federal funds. She also confirmed that the school (Longfellow) was listed individually on the National Register of Historic Places. Some discussion followed about the true "danger" of salvaging materials at the Longfellow. Perhaps the dangers were overrated..?? Mitzi asked for members to attend a meeting at the school administration building on September 18th. She also asked if anyone would be willing to write a letter to the city stating CPR's position on the subject. Nicole agreed to write the letter. Nicole also thought it

would be a good idea to write a letter to the editor, as well; and perhaps start a column about preservation. The discussion turned back to the I.C. school and potential for salvage. Larry thought it would be a good idea to check with Mark Reavis.

Mykl reported that he was showing the **O'Rourke** once a week! He was very positive about one interested party.

Andrea reported that the new owners of the **Sears** building have changed their plans about donating a science center. It's now being offered as an annual rental of about \$50,000..!

Mykl also reported that Harp Cote's son is now running the **Mueller Apts and the Napton**.

Larry asked for a host for the October meeting. Robert offered his property at 82 E. Park.