



**Annual Membership Meeting
Sarah Benedict House
July 20, 2017
Agenda**

- I. Opening of the Annual Meeting; Review and Approval of Minutes from the Annual Meeting of August 9, 2016, Anthony Hiti, Chairman of the Board of Trustees
- II. Snapshot of the Year from the Board Chair, Anthony Hiti
 - a. Scofield Mansion, Jim McCue for Steve Coon, Trustee (Coon Restoration & Sealants, Inc)
 - b. Longfellow School, Arne Goldman, Nominated Trustee (Marous Brothers Construction)
 - c. Small Deals Project, Renee Beaver, Trustee (Novogradac & Company LLP)
- III. Snapshot of the Year from the President, Kathleen H. Crowther
 - a. Courtland House, Michael Fleenor, Director of Preservation Services
 - b. Heritage Home ProgramSM 25-year Anniversary, Margaret Lann, Manager of Heritage Home ProgramSM
 - c. Staff Recognition
- IV. Report on Financial Results for 2016, Renee Beaver, Trustee
- V. Report from the Chair of the Nominating & Trustees Committee, J. Gordon Priemer
- VI. Closing Remarks – Anthony Hiti
- VII. Adjournment



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Slate of Officers and Trustees**

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Anthony W. Hiti, AIA, Chair
Michael T. Cummins, Immediate
Past Chair
Hannah Belsito, Vice Chair
Doug Hoffman, Vice Chair
Scott Holbrook, Vice Chair
Dana Noel, Vice Chair
J. Gordon Priemer, Vice Chair
William J. Hubbard, Secretary
Mark E. Pettigrew, Treasurer

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Term Expiring in 2019

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J. Gordon Priemer
Brian Stark
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Term Expiring in 2020

Steve Coon
Greg Frost
Arne Goldman, AIA (*)
Dale Hilton
Doug R. Hoffman, AIA
Wayne Mortensen (*)
Elizabeth Corbin Murphy, FAIA (*)
Gordon M. Priemer
Rosemary Reymann

(*) New Trustee

Cleveland Restoration Society

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE MEMBERSHIP

Meeting Minutes

The Sarah Benedict House
Cleveland, OH

Tuesday, August 9, 2016

All exhibits and attachments referenced herein are on file in the CRS office and are available upon request.

- I. Call to Order: Michael Cummins welcomed the members and called the meeting to order. The minutes of the 2015 annual meeting of the membership were reviewed. Gordon Priemer made a motion for their approval, which Tony Hiti seconded and which was approved unanimously by the membership.
- II. Michael Cummins, Chair of the Board, thanked the Trustees for donating their time, treasure, and talent.
 - a. He explained the entrepreneurial real estate activities of CRS, using as an example the Chagrin Boulevard home from a few years ago and the current Courtland House project. He also explained the Small Deals Project, which addresses the problem that small projects cannot utilize the market for historic tax credits because of the transactional costs, specifically legal and accounting fees. The solution is to standardize documentation and simplify the process. A letter of intent has been signed for the first potential project. Michael also reported that the Society's finances are strong and the Society is well managed by the staff as lead by Kathleen Crowther.
- III. Kathleen Crowther, President, reported on the work of the Society of the past year.
 - a. Kathleen explained that the engagement policy of Trustees has been successful. She summarized the various publications and manners in which the membership is engaged including the Annual Report, email blasts, Snoops, and the newsletter.
 - b. Kathleen introduced the staff and explained their roles in supporting the mission of CRS.
 - c. CRS has provided substantial services assisting the Lee Harvard Neighborhood in Ward 1, a neighborhood of post WWII bungalows. Oral interviews with the elders in community were recorded to develop the history of the area, which should memorialize a sense of place for the neighborhood and assist in marketing its attributes.
 - d. The list of endangered properties that CRS has worked to stabilize or preserve from the Courtland House to the Scofield House was provided along with an explanation of the legal challenges faced and the incredible support of the trustees offering their services pro bono.
 - e. Kathleen also addressed the need to protect the federal historic tax credit as well as the state tax credit and explained how important the credits have been in funding many great projects that have been completed in Cleveland.
- IV. Gordon Priemer introduced the slate of new trustees: Joseph Denk, Geoffrey Goss, Roland Osborn III. The slate was elected unanimously.
- V. New Board Chair, Tony Hiti thanked Michael Cummins for his years of hard work leading the Board. His many accomplishments include increasing the level of Board engagement. Tony also outlined his own goals for CRS, which include continuing the entrepreneurial spirit and using the expertise and wisdom of the

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trustees, but still remaining in cautious in deciding which projects to take on. Tony also looks forward to a continued focus on advocacy.

- VI. Susan Delaney made a motion to adjourn which Joe Marinucci seconded and which was approved unanimously by the membership

Minutes respectfully submitted by William Hubbard, Board Secretary.