

Kansas Historic Sites Board of Review
MEETING AGENDA – REGULAR MEETING

Kansas Historical Society

Virtual Zoom Meeting

November 4, 2023 9:30 AM

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call / Introductions
- III. Approval of Minutes from the August 5, 2023 meeting
- IV. Update on the Kansas Historical Society and the Historic Preservation Office activities
- V. Consideration of Nominations for both National & State Registers
(* denotes properties within a Certified Local Government boundary)
 1. Iola Theatre – Iola, Allen County
KHRI # [001-237](#)
 2. First Methodist Church of Eudora – Eudora, Douglas County*
KHRI # [045-7490](#)
 3. Trinity Lutheran Church – Lawrence, Douglas County*
KHRI # [045-3010-01304](#)
 4. First Presbyterian Church – Lawrence, Douglas County*
KHRI # [045-7520](#)
 5. Elk Falls High School Gymnasium – Elk Falls, Elk County
KHRI # [049-114](#)
 6. George L Morrow Barn – Spring Hill, Johnson County
KHRI # [091-3854](#)
 7. Herington Army Airfield Chapel – Latimer, Morris County
KHRI # [127-731](#)
 8. Alten-Peak House – Manhattan, Riley County*
KHRI # [161-3116](#)
 9. Union Church – Auburn, Shawnee County
KHRI # [177-0308-00001](#)
 10. Downtown Kansas City Commercial District – Kansas City, Wyandotte County*
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- VI. Delisting of National Register Nominations
 1. Kansas State Office (Docking) Building – Topeka, Shawnee County
KHRI # [177-3153](#)
- VII. Other Business
 1. Recognize HSBR members who are leaving
 2. Meetings: November 4, 2023
 - i. Schedule for 2024 – February 3, June 1, October 5

Adjournment

Kansas Historic Sites Board of Review Meeting

November 4, 2023

Kansas Historical Society, Topeka, KS

Board Members

Present: Patrick Zollner – State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), Mark Kelly, Mary McMurray, Laura Murphy, Jay Price (Chair), Jean Schodorf (Vice-Chair), Dana Williamson, and Kerry Wynn.

Absent: Whitley Stephens, Terry Marmet

A quorum was established.

Staff

Present: Patrick Zollner (Executive Director), Katrina Ringler – CRD Director, Jamee Fiore Krivenko, Kristen Johnston, Jan Shupert-Arick, Robert Elder, Mallory Aye, Christopher Leitch, Lauren Jones, and Ron VanBuskirk.

HSBR Work Session

HSBR held a work session led by Jamee Fiore Krivenko (KSHS staff) regarding new guidance documentation from the NPS about “Evaluating Common Resources.” Jamee also shared the changes to the Historic Sites Board of Review webpage, meeting materials, and other resources available to the Board. The work session started at 9:01 am and ended at 9:28 am.

Proceedings

Chairman Jay Price called the meeting to order at 9:33 a.m. He asked KSHS staff member Jamee to provide instructions on navigating the Webinar menu and participating in the meeting. Price asked for introductions from Board members.

Approval of Minutes

Kerry Wynn made a motion to approve the minutes as prepared; Patrick Zollner seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the minutes of August 5, 2023.

KHS & Cultural Resources Division Director’s Report

Patrick Zollner reported about the items happening at the historical society.

Katrina Ringler reported about the Cultural Resources Division.

National Register of Historic Places nominations:

Iola Theatre – Iola, Allen County

Criteria A & C: Entertainment/Recreation, Architecture

Period of Significance: 1931-1950

Level of Significance: Local

Resource Count: 1 C buildings

Prepared & presented by: Amanda Loughlin, Rosin Preservation

Summary: The theatre meets the registration requirements of the Historic Theaters and Opera Houses of Kansas MPDF as the Movie Theater property type.

Discussion: There were no questions or comments from the board.

Public Discussion: There were no questions or comments from the audience.

Motion 1: Jean Schodorf moved that the Board approve this nomination for listing in the Register of Historic Kansas Places with revisions. Second: Kerry Wynn. 8 votes yes

Motion 2: Kerry Wynn moved that the Board recommend the SHPO forward this nomination to the Keeper for listing in the National Register with revisions. The property meets the eligibility requirements under Criteria A & C: Entertainment/Recreation & Architecture. Second: Jean Schodorf. 8 votes yes

First Methodist Church of Eudora – Eudora, Douglas County*

Criterion C: Architecture

Period of Significance: 1921-1922

Level of Significance: Local

Resource Count: 1 C building

Prepared by: Megan Bruey, Hernly Associates

presented by: Stan Hernly

Summary: A good example of Walter Glover church and Collegiate Gothic Style.

Discussion: Patrick Zollner commented that he hasn't seen an interior quiet like that one. Stan Hernly said that there is one in Oskaloosa that is similar.

Public Discussion: There were no questions or comments from the audience.

Motion 1: Jay Price moved that the Board approve this nomination for listing in the Register of Historic Kansas Places with revisions. Second: Jean Schodorf. 8 votes yes

Motion 2: Kerry Wynn moved that the Board recommend the SHPO forward this nomination to the Keeper for listing in the National Register with revisions. The property meets the eligibility requirements under Criterion C: Architecture. Second: Jean Schodorf. 8 votes yes

Trinity Lutheran Historic District – Lawrence, Douglas County*

Criterion C: Architecture

Period of Significance: 1924-1969

Level of Significance: Local

Resource Count: 4 C buildings, 1 NC building

Prepared by: Megan Bruey, Hernly Associates

presented by: Stan Hernly

Summary: Good example of this type of church complex.

Discussion: Laura Murphy asked about the Criteria and Considerations. Stan will get that corrected as well as the resource count, which is incorrect in one spot.

Public Discussion: There was a comment that the cornerstone is incorrect. It shows “Erected 1927” but the construction started in 1928 and finished in 1928.

Motion 1: Dana Williamson moved that the Board approve this nomination for listing in the Register of Historic Kansas Places with revisions. Second: Jay Price. 8 votes yes

Motion 2: Dana Williamson moved that the Board recommend the SHPO forward this nomination to the Keeper for listing in the National Register with revisions. The property meets the eligibility requirements under Criterion C: Architecture. Second: Jean Schodorf. 8 votes yes

First Presbyterian Church – Lawrence, Douglas County*

Criterion C: Architecture

Period of significance: 1967-1968

Level of significance: Local

Resource Count: 1 C buildings

Prepared by: Jeff Southard, First Presbyterian Church presented by: Lauren Jones

Summary: The building is an excellent example of a mid-century church in Lawrence.

Discussion: Mary would like to include “wife and families” with the leaders of the church if those were there and not limit the history to the male church leaders if their families were involved.

Public Discussion: There were no questions or comments from the audience.

Motion 1: Kerry Wynn moved that the Board approve this nomination for listing in the Register of Historic Kansas Places as prepared. Second: Jean Schodorf. 8 votes yes

Motion 2: Jay Price moved that the Board recommend the SHPO forward this nomination to the Keeper for listing in the National Register as prepared. The property meets the eligibility requirements under Criterion C: Architecture. Second: Jean Schodorf. 8 votes yes

Elk Falls High School Gymnasium – Elk Falls, Elk County

Criteria A& C: Entertainment/Recreation, Architecture

Period of significance: 1935-1942

Level of significance: Local

Resource count: 1 C buildings

Prepared by: Carl Mitchell, Elk Falls Council President presented by: Robert Elder

Summary: Eligible for its association with the New Deal in Douglas County. [New Deal-era Resources of Kansas MPDF](#).

Discussion: There were no questions or comments from the board.

Public Discussion: There were no questions or comments from the audience.

Motion 1: Dana Williamson moved that the Board approve this nomination for listing in the Register of Historic Kansas Places as prepared. Second: Jean Schodorf. 8 votes yes

Motion 2: Dana Williamson moved that the Board recommend the SHPO forward this nomination to the Keeper for listing in the National Register as prepared. The property meets the eligibility requirements under Criterion A: Education. Second: Jean Schodorf. 8 votes yes

George Morrow Barn – Spring Hill, Johnson County

Criterion C: Architecture

Period of significance: 1934-1940

Level of significance: Local

Resource count: 1 C building, 1 NC structure

Prepared by: Aimee & Bart Burrow and SHPO staff presented by: Robert Elder

Summary: Eligible for its association with the New Deal in Douglas County. [New Deal-era Resources of Kansas MPDF](#).

Discussion: Laura had questions about the cypress wood and its use in barns in the area.

Public Discussion: There were no questions or comments from the audience.

Motion 1: Mary McMurray moved that the Board approve this nomination for listing in the Register of Historic Kansas Places as prepared. Second: Dana Williamson. 7 votes yes Jean Schodorf Absent

Motion 2: Mary McMurray moved that the Board recommend the SHPO forward this nomination to the Keeper for listing in the National Register as prepared. The property meets the eligibility requirements under Criterion C: Architecture. Second: Kerry Wynn. 7 votes yes - Jean Schodorf Absent

Herington Army Airfield Chapel – Latimer, Morris County

Criterion C: Architecture

Period of significance: 1942-1947

Level of significance: Local

Resource count: 1 C buildings, 1 NC structures

Prepared by Pam Tennison-Rindt, Latimer Lutheran Church Preservation Society

presented by: Kristen Johnston

Summary: Eligible for its design as a WWII Chapel. Though relocated off base, the historic purpose and design of the building is why it is eligible.

Discussion: There were no questions or comments from the board.

Public Discussion: Pamala Rindt mentioned the collection of the Father's papers and history for the church. Cheryl Mussatto commented on the work the advocates have been doing.

Motion 1: Kerry Wynn moved that the Board approve this nomination for listing in the Register of Historic Kansas Places as prepared. Second: Mary McMurray. 7 votes yes Jean Schodorf Absent

Motion 2: Kerry Wynn moved that the Board recommend the SHPO forward this nomination to the Keeper for listing in the National Register as prepared. The property meets the eligibility requirements under Criterion C: Architecture. Second: Mary McMurray. 7 votes yes - Jean Schodorf Absent

Alten-Peak House – Manhattan, Riley County*

Criteria A & C: Exploration/Settlement, Architecture

Period of significance: 1967-1955

Level of significance: Local

Resource count: 1 C building

Prepared and presented by: Brenda, Spencer Preservation

Summary: Good representation of the Gable-Front Stone House type under the [Late Nineteenth Century Vernacular Stone Houses in Manhattan MPDF](#).

Discussion: There were no questions or comments from the board.

Public Discussion: There were no questions or comments from the audience.

Motion 1: Jay Price moved that the Board approve this nomination for listing in the Register of Historic Kansas Places with revisions. Second: Kerry Wynn. 7 votes yes Jean Schodorf Absent

Motion 2: Dana Williamson moved that the Board recommend the SHPO forward this nomination to the Keeper for listing in the National Register with revisions. The property meets the eligibility requirements under Criterion A & C: Agriculture & Architecture. Second: Mary McMurray. 7 votes yes - Jean Schodorf Absent

Union Church Building – Auburn, Shawnee County

Criterion C: Architecture

Period of significance: 1877-1878

Level of significance: Local

Resource count: 1 C building

Prepared and presented by: Susan Jezak Ford, Citysearch Preservation

Summary: The church is eligible for its vernacular architecture.

Discussion: There were no questions or comments from the board.

Public Discussion: There were no questions or comments from the audience.

Motion 1: Kerry Wynn moved that the Board approve this nomination for listing in the Register of Historic Kansas Places with revisions. Second: Mark Kelly. 7 votes yes - Jean Schodorf Absent

Motion 2: Kerry Wynn moved that the Board recommend the SHPO forward this nomination to the Keeper for listing in the National Register with revisions. The property meets the eligibility requirements under Criterion C: Architecture. Second: Mark Kelly. 7 votes yes - Jean Schodorf Absent

Kansas City Downtown Commercial District – Kansas City, Wyandotte County*

Criterion A: Community Planning / Development

Period of significance: 1843-1973

Level of significance: Local

Resource count: 65 C buildings, 10 NR listed, 1 NHL, 45 NC buildings

Prepared by: Cynthia Ammerman and Unified Government of Kansas City and Wyandotte Co. presented by:
Kristen Johnston

Summary: The district is eligible for its community development and planning as it encompasses a large portion of the historic growth of the community including, education, commerce, religious, and government facilities.

Discussion: The nomination form is not completed. The board had questions regarding the adequacy of the documentation. The board felt that since the nomination is incomplete, they should not move forward with the nomination.

Public Discussion: Randy Greeves tried to answer the Board's questions regarding the nomination. Jim Schraeder, Tomi Francis Ramirez, Aaron Ward, Tom Davies, and Randy Greeves spoke in support of the nomination.

Motion 1: Jay Price moved that the Board disapprove this nomination from listing and is requesting more information so they can re-evaluate the property. Second: Kerry Wynn. 7 votes yes - Jean Schodorf Absent

Delisting / Removal from the National Register of Historic Places

Kansas State Office (Docking) Building – Topeka, Shawnee County*

Prepared by: SHPO Staff Presented by: Lauren Jones

Summary: The Docking building is being deconstructed with the intent to remove all but three floors, it no longer retains that qualities that make it eligible for listing in the National Register.

Motion 1: Mary McMurray moved that the Board recommend the SHPO forward this removal request to the Keeper for delisting in the National Register. The property no longer meets the eligibility requirements under Criterion C for Architecture. Second: Jay Price. 7 votes yes - Jean Schodorf Absent

Board Updates

- Terry Marmot is stepping down and looking for his replacement. John Hoopes has left the Board and has been replaced by Laura Murphy. Edna Wagner's vacant position is still being filled.
- 2024 Meeting Schedule February 3, June 1, and October 5. The board discussed about meeting in person one of those meetings.

Next meeting: scheduled for February 3, 2024, on zoom.

Meeting Adjourned 12:38 pm.



APPROVED – February 3, 2024

Date Minutes were Approved

National Register Coordinator Signature