



Historic Gloria Dei (Old Swedes')
Preservation Corporation

JULY 2017 BOARD MINUTES

Meeting start: 5:35 pm

Candace Roberts, Chair- presiding

Attendees: Terry Brasko, Peggy Buescher, Marco Federico, Amy Grant, Mark Roberts, Michael Schreiber, Joy Segal, Alan Segal, Jerry Walker, Jeanette Woehr, and guest John Tepe

Approved the June minutes

Approved Financial Report

We welcomed new Board Member-Elect Michael Schreiber

Vestry Report: Joy Segal

- Candace will meet with the Vestry in July to further discuss the proposed Churchyard Rules and Regulations

Committee reports/discussion

- **Community Design Collaborative**
 - Discussed Wicaco research completed by Michael Schreiber
 - Candace will send this information to the CDC Design Team
 - We confirmed our intentions for the property to be communicated to the Design Team
 - Reminder – Task Force July 19th Meeting – 6:30 Riverside Hall
 - Discussed test plants for Turf Reduction program
 - Pachysandra, Vinca, Japanese Forest Grass
 - We will consult with the Horticultural Society, Mt Auburn Cemetery and Liberty Tree
 - Michael will further research options
 - Goal for turf reduction and wildflower test will be a Fall planting
- **Churchyard discussion**
 - Alan raised concern that plot sales to non-congregation Christians will create taxable income as “unrelated business income”
 - We research this further to confirm the law
 - We will research the Lower Brandywine Cemetery for relevance to our suggestions:
<http://lowerbrandywine.org/lower-brandywine-cemetery/>
- **Planned giving and fundraising discussion**
 - Potential funders/supporters
 - Velma & Edward Parnum: Rector’s Warden from 1935-1972. We will make contact with their granddaughters and try to start a relationship. Betsy Roak has their contact information
 - The Lutes Sisters – Amy will research living relatives
 - Haas Community Fund – Amy will research
 - Christian R. Lindback
 - DAR, Philadelphia Chapter – Terry will research contacts



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- **Fundraiser discussion**

- Discussed ways to reach out to the Swedish Community
 - John Tepe suggested a scholarly article for the SCS Newsletter
 - We will discuss a story idea with Kim-Eric
- Further discussed having an event to show off our artifacts and include a lecture
 - We will ask Kim-Eric about what is stored in the Lutheran Seminary
 - Terry will look into special dates for Swedes that we may want to tie in with to celebrate
 - Considering 2018 - October 6 or 13, 2-5pm and will include high tea
 - We will make arrangements for child care
 - We will investigate the cost of insurance for the items borrowed from the Lutheran Seminary
- Spirits & History will be confirmed for May 4th 2018
- Discussed a future event based on families residing in the churchyard. We would collect photos for families such as, Roaks, Parnums, DuPonts, Astrid, and Peales

6:50 pm: Adjourn

Next meeting: September 11, 2017

Thanks to Mark and Candy Roberts for dinner