



Historic Gloria Dei (Old Swedes')  
Preservation Corporation

**SEPTEMBER 14, 2015 BOARD MINUTES**

Meeting start: 5:30 pm

Candace Roberts, Chair- presiding

Attendees: Peggy Buescher, Tom Daley, Barbara Dilossi, Marco Federico, Mark Roberts, Alan Segal, Joy Segal, Bob Stewart, Kim-Eric Williams, Jeanette Woehr

1. The consent agenda and minutes were approved for July 2015
2. Finance committee report was presented by Barbara DiLossi and approved.
3. Vestry Report: Jeanette Woehr
4. Committee reports
  - Property Report: Joy Segal
    - Truss repair in Riverside Hall is completed
    - There are squirrels in the Church – indicative of the greater problem that holes need to be filled
    - Vestry is considering split unit air conditioners in Riverside Hall
  - Property Discussion: Tom Daley
    - Recommended repair/restoration order
      - \$40-\$45K for electrical upgrade in Church
      - \$140K for new roof (cedar shakes) within 5-8 years
      - Fix the “ridge of the cross gable that faces the Churchyard”
      - Consider adding air conditioning to the Church when we replace the roof
    - Smaller – do these sooner?
      - Add LED lights to the Church attic for safety
      - Light the steeple
  - Fundraising discussions:
    - Colonial Day will not occur in 2016. We will reconsider for 2017
    - 501c3 Status: Bob Stewart and Candace Roberts
      - Bob has learned that the issue regarding the supporting organization sub-category is related to the Foundation not owning the buildings
      - A case needs to be made that the Foundation supports the public good
      - St. Peter’s Church has the supporting sub-category



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- Marco will reach out to Barbara Hogue at Christ Church to learn about their designation and how they describe their Foundation
  - Candace had a conversation with a development professional, Meghan Newman. Meghan does not think our problem is the sub-category. She could not find us in the national database as a public charity.
  - We believe this may be related to not filing tax returns yet. Barbara and Alan are following through on filing the returns.
  - After the returns are filed, Candace will likely hire Meghan for 3 hours of consultation to make a database search of possible funders.
- Spring Fundraising idea: Candace Roberts
    - Spring event on May 7<sup>th</sup> pairing History and Spirits
    - We will select 5 prominent residents of the Churchyard and share history stories and beverages of their time.
      - Peter Cruise, 1800's – beer
      - Alexander Wilson, 1800's – scotch
      - George Ord, 1700's – rum
      - John Stille, 1700's – TBD
      - John Douglas, 1700's – TBD
      - Perhaps someone more contemporary – wine
      - Jeanette and Candace will work on the stories
      - Bob Stewart will consult on the beverages
      - We need a committee to work on the details

5. Adjourn: 6:30, then we toured the Churchyard

Thanks to Candy and Mark Roberts for dinner.

Next meeting: October 12, 5:30-7pm