Board members present: Robert E. Carter, Jr., Chairman; William Selm, Julie Donnell, Mitch Zoll, Dan Kloc, and Richard Butler.

Staff members present: DHPA Director Dr. James Glass, Paul Diebold, Frank Hurdis, Amy Walker, Chad Slider, David Duvall, Miriam Widenhofer, Karie Brudis, John Carr, Holly Tate, Steve Kennedy, Toni Giffin, Wade Tharp, Kim Robinson, and Susan Judy, of DHPA;

Visitors/Speakers present included Patrick Carpenter, Mary Kennedy, Susan Branigan, Anuradha Kumar of INDOT; Eric Wyndham, DNR Staff Attorney; Victoria Emery with Arsee Engineers, Inc; Jason Larrison with IDOA-Public Works Division; Rebecca Smith; Josh Davis; Ethan Prater; Rose Wernicke; Pam Bennett, Historical Bureau; and Matt Grochak, IUPUI Faculty.

Call to Order

Chairman Robert E. Carter Jr. convened the meeting at 1:30 P. M.

Approval of the October 27, 2010 meeting minutes

Chairman Carter asked for any corrections or additions to the minutes from the last meeting. There were none and a motion to approve the minutes was made by Richard Butler and seconded by Mitch Zoll. The motion passed unanimously.

Election of Vice-Chairman for 2011

Chairman Carter asked for nominations for the Vice-Chairman position on the board. Julie Donnell nominated Richard Butler. Dan Kloc seconded the nomination and Richard Butler was unanimously voted to serve as Vice-Chairman.

Chairman Carter requested the Division Director’s report.

I. Division Director’s Report:

1. Preserving Historic Places Conference 2011

The Preserving Historic Places registration mailers are going out this week to the conference’s mailing list. We would invite all the Board members and members of the public here today to attend. There is an Early Bird registration discount for those who register by March 18. The
Conference will be held April 6-8 in Indianapolis and include as plenary speakers Stanley Lowe of Pittsburgh on “Revitalizing the Urban Center,” Harvard Professor John Stilgoe on “The Landscape of Indiana,” preservation economist Donovan Rypkema on “The Economics of Local Historic Districts,” New Chair of the national Advisory Council on Historic Preservation Wayne Donaldson on “Historic Preservation in the Decade Ahead,” and President Emeritus Reid Williamson of Indiana Landmarks on “Historic Preservation in Indianapolis.

There also will be a panel of experts discussing how to accommodate green goals, historic preservation, and LEED certification of buildings; workshops on energy efficiency and masonry troubleshooting and restoration; 11 educational sessions on such topics as urban archaeology, school preservation, affordable housing, cemetery moving, rural historic districts, and adaptive uses for “white elephant” buildings; and 9 tours of historic districts, landmarks, and public sculpture.

II. National Register Applications

1. Winchester Residential Historic District, roughly, both sides of Washington and Franklin Sts. from Main St. to Greenville Ave., and both sides of Meridian and Main Sts. from Franklin to Orange St., Winchester, Randolph County (1830)
   Paul Diebold, DHPA, gave the staff comments. There were no additional questions or comments. A motion to approve was made by Richard Butler and was seconded by William Selm. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Dierdorff Farmstead, 2055 Dierdorff Road, Goshen, Elkhart County (1956)
   Frank Hurdis, DHPA, gave the staff comments. There were no additional questions or comments. A motion to approve was made by Dan Kloc and was seconded by Richard Butler. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Hohman Avenue Historic District, approx. 3 blocks lining Hohman between Clinton and Rimbach Sts., Hammond, Lake County (2153)
   Holly Tate, DHPA, gave the staff comments. There were no additional questions or comments. A motion to approve was made by Dan Kloc and was seconded by Richard Butler. The motion passed unanimously.

4. James Brannon House, 260 South Burnham St., Lowell, Lake County (2174)
   Paul Diebold, DHPA, gave the staff comments. There were no additional questions or comments. A motion to approve was made by Dan Kloc and was seconded by Richard Butler. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Toner Historic District, East Main Cross from the CSX tracks to White Oak Lane, Edinburgh, Johnson County (2187)
   Paul Diebold, DHPA, gave the staff comments. There were no additional questions or comments. A motion to approve was made by Richard Butler and was seconded by William Selm. The motion passed unanimously.
6. **Eli Sigler House, 104 W. Church St., Hebron, Porter County (2188)**  
Paul Diebold, DHPA, gave the staff comments. There were no additional questions or comments. A motion to approve was made by William Selm and was seconded by Richard Butler. The motion passed unanimously.

7. **Southmoor Apartment Hotel, 5946 Hohman Ave., Hammond, Lake County (2190)**  
Paul Diebold, DHPA, gave the staff comments. There were no additional questions or comments. A motion to approve was made by Julie Donnell and was seconded by Dan Kloc. The motion passed unanimously.

8. **South Walnut Historic District, roughly, both sides of S. Walnut St. from Thompson St. to 507 and 514 S. Walnut, also including the 100 block of W. Campbell, Edinburgh, Johnson County (2196)**  
Paul Diebold, DHPA, gave the staff comments.  
Rebecca Smith of Indiana Landmarks presented a statement letter from the residents of 302 South Walnut in the district in support of the nomination.  
Ethan Prater from Campbell Street in Edinburgh spoke in opposition of his home being included in the nomination. He said he wasn't opposed to including fancier homes, but he would like his particular house excluded. He asked how many homes and buildings are in the district. Paul Diebold responded 41 contributing buildings and 25 primary historic buildings. He stated his home is not fancy and fears what being included in the district would mean to him, such as higher taxes and property expectation. He also stated that others believe the same but are afraid to respond or just couldn’t make the meeting. He believes they are not being fairly represented.  
Paul explained the notification process and that the nomination and registration is a federal process that DHPA has followed since 1981.  
He stated that a simple notarized letter of yeah or nay is all that is needed to respond and it can be sent in up until the day of the meeting.  
Mitch Zoll asked how the listing would affect individual properties.  
Paul Diebold responded that a Historic District does not impose any restrictions on an included property. Josh Davis of Edinburgh stated his property taxes actually went down.  
Chairman Carter asked for a motion.  
A motion to approve was made by Richard Butler and was seconded by Julie Donnell. The motion passed unanimously.

9. **Brookview-Irvington Park Historic District, Norfolk Avenue to the north; Lima Rd., Spy run Ave. Extended; and North Clinton St. to the east; Jacobs St. to the south; and the former Penn Central right-of-way to the west, Fort Wayne, Allen County (2204)**  
Holly Tate, DHPA, gave the staff comments.  
Julie Donnell asked about the previously listed resources. Holly Tate responded that the resources are all cross referenced on the forms filled out. A motion to approve was made by Richard Butler and was seconded by Dan Kloc. The motion passed unanimously.
III. State Certificates of Approval

Application by the Indiana Department of Transportation for a certificate of approval to alter, by rehabilitation, the State Road 17 bridge over the Eel River in Logansport, Eel Township, Cass County.
John Carr, DHPA, gave the staff comments. There were no additional questions of comments. A motion to approve was made by Richard Butler and was seconded by Mitch Zoll. The motion passed unanimously.

Application by the Indiana Department of Transportation for a certificate of approval to demolish and replace the State Road 9 bridge over Lewis Creek, 4.54 miles south of State Road 44 and just north of the intersection of State Road 9 and County Road 300 South, in Shelby Township, Shelby County.
John Carr, DHPA, gave the staff comments. There were no additional questions or comments. A motion to approve was made by Dan Kloc and was seconded by Richard Butler. The motion passed unanimously.

Application by the Indiana Department of Transportation for a certificate of approval to alter, by rehabilitation, the SR 912 bridge over Gary Avenue and Elgin, Joliet and Eastern (E.J.E.) Railroad, City of Gary, Calumet and North Townships, Lake County.
Toni Giffin, DHPA, gave the staff comments. There were no additional questions or comments. A motion to approve was made by Richard Butler and was seconded by Mitch Zoll. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Informational Presentation on Emergency Action, Indiana Soldiers’ and Sailors’ Monument

Under the “Guidelines for Emergency Action Using State Funds” adopted by the Review Board on April 17, 2002, the Public Works Division is proposing to remove the statue Victory from its place at the top of the Soldiers’ and Sailors’ Monument to prevent possible damage or danger to the public. Jason Larrison of the Public Works Division and Victoria Embry of Arsee Engineers in Fishers made an informational presentation to the Board on the action intended and answered questions.

The next phase of the project, involving repair and restoration of the statue, will be presented for approval by the Board at the April 27, 2011 meeting.

During an earlier process of repairing the observatory level on the Monument additional significant damage was discovered. The statue itself, the sculptured limestone eagle décor and the interior
structure were examined and photographed. Failures in the supports, in the bronze statue itself and in the eagles sculpture decoration are immediate concerns.

Outside consultants have found particular deterioration in the arms and head of the Lady Victory statue and recommends immediate removal.

Using scaffolding as the means of removal, the statue could be kept safe and more study could be made before the appropriate repairs would be attempted. Some stabilization has been made to prevent more cracking temporarily. Weighing in at about 20,000 pounds and about 40 feet tall, the Victory Statue poses a safety hazard if left as it is. The photographs of the damage and temporary repairs plus the report, document the need to have the statue removed immediately.

Larrison stated that this is a phased project and funds other sources besides state resources would be used, such as preventative maintenance funds.

Dan Kloc asked about the cost of removing the statue. Larrison answered the cost to remove, repair and replace the statue is unknown at this time. Even rough estimates are can't be made without the statue down.

Dr Glass summed up by adding that the board policy regarding emergency repairs for state owned historic properties will be followed. A Certificate of Approval for the restoration will be secured at the April Review Board meeting.

There was no action to be taken at this time.

V. Update on Plans for Black History Exhibit at Statehouse

Pam Bennett, Director of the Indiana Historical Bureau, and Matt Grochak of IUPUI faculty, provided an update on plans for a Black History Exhibit at the Indiana Statehouse. Bennett explained that after much planning the Black Caucus approved the concept last week. There will be several existing niches each holding a bronze bust of a prominent Black person. The busts James Hinton and Julia Carson have been approved thus far. Additional interpretive information will be on the website of the Historical Bureau.

Matt Grochak passed out copies of and explained the design conception is the result of action by the students at IUPUI and himself and will not affect the building at all. An aluminum framework will hold any signage and can easily be removed without damage to the building. Lighting will be utilized from existing sources and background color from the state flag.

Dan Kloc asked which busts are being moved. Pam Bennett responded none will be removed just shifted around to be more coherent with interpretation of the Statehouse.

Nothing else is planned at this time for the Statehouse besides what was presented today.

VI. Historic Preservation Fund Grant Applications for FY 2011

Steve Kennedy of DHPA gave the report on Historic Preservation Fund Grant Applications for FY 2011. This year, 20 proposals were received requesting a grand total of $577,291. Because Congress has not yet passed the Department of the Interior's spending bill, the amount of Indiana’s HPF
allocation for FY2011 is not known at this time, so the amount available for subgrants has not been determined. Therefore, the Review Board is being asked once again to consider ranked lists of projects instead of actual project-by-project funding recommendations. Once Indiana’s HPF allocation for FY2011 is known and our budget for the use of these funds is finalized, the Grants Staff will determine the amount of funding available for subgrants in each category and will initiate projects in accordance with required internal procedures and our approved FY2011 HPF Grant Program Guidelines.

Certified Local Government Proposals
Kennedy began with a note on Certified Local Government proposals. CLG statistics and funding recommendations may be found on Page 4 of the Board’s packet. Based on the FY2010 HPF allocation amount, Indiana’s required minimum 10% CLG pass-through amount for 2011 is expected to be approximately $90,000 – give or take some. Two CLG proposals were received in the Acquisition & Development Category. Staff recommends funding both of the CLG proposals; however, their ranked scores may place them at or below the point of where funds may be exhausted within the category. Therefore, staff has inserted these two proposals at the top of the A&D Category list because they must be funded first so that Indiana will be able to meet the minimum 10% CLG pass-through requirement.

As described within the Board packet, the DHPA also received one survey cooperative agreement proposal from a CLG community. Staff anticipates funding this project as well so that the total amount of CLG funds should easily exceed the minimum 10% pass-through amount for this year.

Understanding this situation as it affects the ranked list for the Acquisition & Development Category, it is not necessary to vote separately on the CLG proposals as long as the two proposed CLG projects remain at the top of the A&D ranked list

Architectural and Historical Proposals
The first category for the Board’s consideration is that of Architectural & Historical projects. These recommendations may be found on page 5 of the Board packet. Four proposals were received requesting a total of $62,512; however, one of these proposals did not meet the required minimum score of 65.0 points on the Administrative Criteria and therefore cannot be recommended for funding. The amount of categorical funding available has not been determined. With no further questions or discussion, a motion was made by Richard Butler to approve and seconded by William Selm. The motion passed unanimously.

Archaeological Proposals
The second category for the Board’s consideration is that of Archaeological projects. These recommendations may be found on page 8 of your packet. Four proposals were received requesting a total of $132,459; however, one of these proposals did not meet the required minimum score of 65.0 points on the Administrative Criteria and therefore cannot be recommended for funding. The amount of categorical funding available has not been determined. With no further questions or discussion, a motion was made by Richard Butler to approve and seconded by Dan Kloc. The motion passed unanimously.
**Acquisition and Development Proposals**

The third and final category for the Board’s consideration is that of Acquisition and Development projects. These recommendations may be found on page 13 of the Board packet. Twelve proposals were received requesting a total of $347,320; however, three of these proposals did not meet the required minimum score of 65.0 points on the Administrative Criteria and therefore cannot be recommended for funding. Again, note that the two CLG proposals have been moved to the top of the list. The amount of categorical funding available has not been determined.

As described in your packet, four of the projects recommended for funding have unusual circumstances that warrant “conditional” funding offers. Formal funding offers will be contingent on particular impediments being overcome by specific near-future dates, such as May 1st. If these conditions cannot be met by the target dates, the DHPA reserves the right to revoke the funding offers and redirect the grant funds to other projects. Such action may be necessary to safeguard the proper use and expenditure of grant funds within the very short program timeframe and in compliance with the federal “use-it-or-lose-it” policy.

Before voting on this category, Kennedy stated that he needed to give an important update on proposal #4 for the Lake County Tuberculosis Sanatorium Nurses’ Home found on page 17 of your packet. This proposal scored very high due to the following factors: the proposal itself was reasonably well prepared, the subject property is highly endangered AND faces significant reuse challenges, and the proposed work activities are a high priority under the grant criteria. However, the grant evaluation committee had serious concerns about the planned new use for the building and how altering the interior spaces to accommodate the new use would potentially conflict with the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation. In short, future phases of the building’s rehabilitation – as currently planned – would probably violate the terms of the federally required protective covenant that the DHPA must hold on the property. Based on the amount of grant funding requested, the covenant would run for a period of ten years.

As a first step, the DHPA requested more information about the planned conversion of interior spaces to accommodate ballet performances, practice spaces, gallery areas, and offices. The applicant provided their interior plans that showed major alterations of character-defining features and spaces such that the “cumulative effect” of these alterations was judged to be in conflict with the Rehabilitation Standards. After these findings, the DHPA staff opened communications with the head of the applicant organization, their grant writer, and the project architect to explain these concerns and the requirements of the covenant. The staff determined that the applicant organization had three options: (1) withdraw their HPF grant application and develop the building however they chose without federal financial assistance, (2) keep their application for $47,818 in play and agree to modify their development plans so as to comply with the terms of the covenant for a period of 10 years, or (3) reduce their funding request to $25,000 and agree to modify their development plans so as to comply with the terms of the covenant for a period of 5 years.

As a second step, the DHPA staff arranged a site visit to see the building first-hand to better understand the original interior layout, the existing conditions, and the applicant’s programmatic needs for adaptively reusing the three-story building. This effort was deemed necessary for the DHPA staff to provide its best informed guidance to the applicant organization and help them determine if they could adequately modify their plans to comply with the Rehabilitation Standards...
or not. Dave Duvall and Kennedy visited the building on January 19th and met with the head of the applicant organization, their grant writer, and the project architect.

During this inspection, the staff observed several site conditions that were not evident in the submitted plans, namely the obliteration of nearly half of the first floor in a 1960s or 1970s alteration, and serious deterioration of small parts of the second and third floors such that the original space configurations no longer remained in these areas. Duvall helped the locals understand what degree of interior alterations could be permissible with regard to the Rehabilitation Standards. The project architect and the head of the applicant organization considered modifications of their current plans and tentatively agreed that the organization’s programmatic needs could be met while bringing the overall interior rehabilitation into compliance with the covenant requirements. The staff asked for written confirmation of their intentions to proceed with their grant request or withdraw their proposal by January 25th so the staff could provide this update to the Board today.

Yesterday, the staff received the applicant organization’s written request to reduce their funding request to $25,000. They understand that they must modify parts of their interior rehab plans to bring the project into compliance with the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation and they agree to do so. They have committed to revising their plans, seeking DHPA review, and gaining approval of their modified plans by May 1, 2011 so that the project can move forward without delay if funded. Indeed, the modification of their interior plans is already underway.

In addition, the applicant organization commits to increasing their matching share to make up the nearly $23,000 of grant funds that they are no longer requesting. Furthermore, they understand that they must also replace $15,000 of committed matching funds which the DHPA determined is coming from a federal source and cannot be used as match to HPF funding. The DHPA will condition any funding offer on the applicant demonstrating that they have successfully raised or committed the full matching share required by May 1, 2011. Based on these communications and developments, the DHPA’s original concerns over this proposed project have been sufficiently alleviated.

With no further questions or discussion, a motion was made by Richard Butler to approve and seconded by William Selm. The motion passed unanimously.

VII. Properties Listed in, Rejected by, or Removed from the National Register since the last Notification

Paul Diebold advised that the owner objections that blocked the listing of the Danville Courthouse Square in 2002 have now been reversed. It has been listed.

Listed

Fort Wayne Park and Boulevard System Historic District, including 1,883 acres of historic parks, boulevards and rights-of-way in Fort Wayne, Allen County (2206)

Hedden’s Grove Historic District, 1600 blocks of Hedden Park and Hedden Court, 2410-2418 Charlestown Road, New Albany, Floyd County (2198)
William Young House, 509 West Market Street, New Albany, Floyd County (2200)

Danville Courthouse Square Historic District, Roughly bounded by Clinton, Tennessee, Broadway, and Cross Sts., Danville,

T. Harlan & Helen Montgomery House, 628 North Poplar Street, Seymour, Jackson County (2182)

Enoco Coal Mine, North side of Grundman Road, 1.5 miles south of Bruceville, Bruceville vicinity, Knox County (2183)

Mock School, Syracuse vicinity, Kosciusko County (2179)

Walter Allman House, 102 S. East Street, Crown Point, Lake County, IN (2086)

Ibach House, 1908 Ridge Road, Munster, Lake County (2158)

Morgan/Skinner/Boyd Homestead, 111 E. 73rd Street, Merrillville, Lake County (2149)

Pleasanton in Irvington Historic District, roughly bounded by East Michigan Street, Pleasant Run Parkway North Drive, and North Emerson Avenue, Indianapolis, Marion County (2165)

Chief Menominee Memorial Site, South Peach Road, just north of West 13th Road, Plymouth vicinity, Marshall County (2178)

Valparaiso Downtown Commercial District (Boundary Increase), northwest block of Lincolnway and Napoleon (1 and 3 Napoleon Street and 254 West Lincolnway), Porter County, IN (2167)

Angola Commercial Historic District, roughly bounded by Superior, Gale, Gilmore and Martha Street, Angola, Steuben County (2139)

Rejected

None

Removed

None

VIII. Set date for the next meeting

Next meeting date: **April 27, 2011**, IGCS, **1:30** p.m. (EDT)

Other meeting dates in 2011:
- July 27, 2011
- October 26, 2011

All meeting schedule for IGCS, Conference Room A, at 1:30 pm (EDT)

Deadline for receipt of Certificates of Approval applications: **March 18, 2011**, 4:45 p.m. (EDT).
Chairman Carter asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Julie Donnell and seconded by Richard Butler. The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned 2:55 p.m. (EDT)