

**Oak Park Historic Preservation Commission  
Education Committee  
June 23, 2014 Meeting Minutes  
Oak Park Village Hall, Room 215, 7:30 pm**

**A. Roll Call**

PRESENT: Fred Brandstrader, Frank Heitzman, Gary Palese, Don McLean  
ABSENT: Joerg Albrecht, Karen Doty, Liz Holt, Dan Moroney  
STAFF: Douglas Kaarre, Urban Planner/Historic Preservation

**B. Minutes**

*Motion by Palese to approve the May 12, 2014 meeting minutes as submitted. Second by Brandstrader. Motion approved 4-0.*

**C. 2014 Preservation Awards**

The committee continued planning for the 2014 awards event to be held in November. They discussed holding the event at either the Nineteenth Century Club or Unity Temple, depending on cost and availability.

**D. Historic Preservation Commission 2015 Work Plan**

The committee discussed potential projects and budget requests to include on the 2015 work plan. In addition to rolling over ongoing projects such as the Newsletter, Landmark designation, Awards event, education and training, potential new projects include National Register historic district listing for the Hulbert Subdivision and the Harrison Street/Oak Park Arts District, pending 2014 outreach to property owners and Village Board support. Both projects would require costs to hire a consultant to prepare the nominations. They also discussed other potential designations near the I-290 expressway and investigating the need and costs for conducting an Economic Impact Study of Historic Preservation in Oak Park. Other similar studies have been completed, including Rockford, Illinois. It was suggested they encourage the Building Department to scan all the plans in storage so they are available on-line, but this was not added to the work plan.

**E. Other Business**

The committee discussed the idea of hosting a reception or open house for attendees of the National AIA Convention (American Institute of Architects) held in Chicago. However, the short time-frame prevented adequate planning and preparation. Other potential conferences they could plan for in 2015 include the American Society of Landscape Architects and the architecture exhibition Chicago Architecture Biennial, both in Chicago.

**ADJOURN**

*Motion by McLean to adjourn. Second by Palese. Motion approved: 4-0.*

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m. Minutes prepared Douglas Kaarre.