

## 216 E Washington Foundation Annual Meeting

May 13, 2025

### Minutes

- Call to order
  - President David Groholski could not attend today's meeting and asked that Nathan Baggett preside in his absence. Nathan B. called the meeting to order at 12:46p. See attached for attendance sheet.
- Secretary's Report
  - Secretary Lavar Brewer could not attend today's meeting and asked that Tiffany Yoquelet present his reports.
  - Tiffany Y. distributed the minutes from last year's annual meeting. Russel Greim motioned to approve minutes as presented and it was second by Bob Jesse. Vote carried; minutes were approved as provided.
- Membership Report
  - 66 sustaining
  - 13 charter
  - 1 member passed away
- Treasurer's Report
  - Treasurer Terry Webb provided the Financial Statement as of the calendar year ending December 31, 2024.
  - Terry W also had the 990 for review completed by Baden Gage Schroeder LLC CPA
  - Edward Jones:
    - Edward Jones balance from the 990 was shared: \$606,929.00
- Budget for 2025 was presented and approved (See attached).
- Preservation Projects
  - Terry presented a list of projects supported by the Foundation in 2024 and the accumulated support since the Foundation's inception. See attached
  - Sidewalk expense 10 years
  - Follow-up: Balance of elevator loan, the 216 East Washington Foundation plans to continue with funding the AMT elevator loan
  - Follow-up: Terry W to provide preservation projects from 1992 to current
- Communications
  - Sale of coin \$10.00
  - DeMolay Fort Wayne Chapter Spaghetti Dinner May 31, 2025
- Old Business - None
- New Business
  - Election of Directors
    - Robin Tribbett
    - David Ulrich

- Russel Greim
- For discussion Bob Jesse shared as a past officer, 1<sup>st</sup> president of foundation. Looking forward to new board members and thanked Terry W and Tiffany Y for their services.
- Russel G. motioned to remove current Board of Directors president David Groholski from the Board. Motion was seconded, discussion ensued, and vote taken.
  - David Groholski's seat was vacated by majority vote.
- Russel G. motioned to remove current Board of Directors secretary Lavar Brewer from the Board. Motion was seconded, discussion ensued, and vote taken.
  - Lavar Brewer's seat was vacated by majority vote.
- Russel G. motioned to remove current Board of Director member Wayne Bearden from the Board.
  - Wayne Bearden's seat was vacated by majority vote.
- Russel G motioned to fill David Groholski's vacancy with Paula Bontempo. Motion was seconded, discussion ensued, and vote taken.
  - Paula Bontempo was elected to fulfill the remainder of David G's term.
- Russel G. made a motion to fill Lavar Brewer's vacancy with Jan Henline. Motion was seconded, discussion ensued, and vote taken.
  - Jan Henline was elected to fulfill the remainder of Lavar B's term.
- Nathan B. made a motion to fill Ron Bearden's vacancy with Terry Webb. Motion was seconded, discussion ensued, and vote taken.
  - Terry Webb was elected to fulfill the remainder of Ron B's term
- Bylaws:
  - Russel G motioned to provide bylaws. There was a second by Ryan Powell.
  - Follow-up: Request of PDF Bylaws to all members at the meeting via email by 5pm tomorrow. If not a complaint will be filed with the attorney general.
- Questions and discussions ensued on several topics including Conflict of Interest Policy, Investment policy, and Directors meetings and attendance.
- Board Meetings
  - Russel G. made a motion for a Directors Board meeting at 1:45 this afternoon. Nathan G doesn't recognize and said this is out of order. It was announced that there would not be a Board meeting following the Membership Annual Meeting today because there wasn't a quorum of elected Directors prior to the start of the annual meeting.
  - Date and time for next Director's meeting to be called by current Vice President Bruce Scott in absence of an elected president.
- As a general comment, Tiffany Y recommended having Bruce S review bylaws to ensure the actions taken at today's membership meeting are consistent with the bylaws.

- Tom Guest asked if the current Board of Directors in attendance would accept all of the motions made in today's meeting as binding.
    - Without a set of bylaws on hand, the Directors could not comment on whether all actions taken at this meeting would be binding.
  - Bob Jesse commented about the bylaws and the content of the bylaws. Do they exclude this or is it valid as presented.
  - New Annual Meeting May 12, 2026 12:00p
- Adjourned 1:45p

Attachments:

216 E Washington Blvd. Foundation Annual Meeting – May 13, 2025 – Sign-in Sheet

216 East Washington Blvd. Foundation – Budget

216 East Washington Blvd. Foundation, Inc. Treasurer Report

216 East Washington Blvd. Foundation, Inc. Preservation Projects

DeMolay Fort Wayne Chapter Spaghetti Dinner

Minutes prepared by Tiffany Yoquelet, to be read and approved at the next Annual Meeting.