Kansas Historic Sites Board of Review
Meeting Agenda
Kansas Historical Society
Virtual Zoom Meeting
November 5, 2022

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Minutes from August 20, 2022 meeting
4. Consideration of National Register Nominations
   (* denotes properties within a Certified Local Government boundary)
   a. CB&Q Freight Depot – Atchison, Atchison County
      KHRI # 005-0260-00046
   b. Henry Waters House – Lawrence, Douglas County*
      KHRI # 045-3010-01263
   c. Luther Severy & Son Stock Ranch, Osage County
      KHRI # 139-413
   d. Yuma Street Historic District – Manhattan, Riley County*
      KHRI # 161-3107
   e. Pioneer Hall, Kansas Wesleyan University – Salina, Saline County*
      KHRI # 169-4900-00006
   f. Ritchie Cemetery, South Topeka Cemetery – Topeka, Shawnee County*
      KHRI # 177-5400-00151
   g. Whittier School – Kansas City, Wyandotte County
      KHRI # 209-2820-01763
5. Consideration of State Register Nominations – None
6. Other Business
7. Meetings: February 4, May 6, August 5, & November 4, 2023
8. Secondary Siding Discussion
9. Adjournment
Kansas Historic Sites Board of Review Meeting
November 5, 2022
Kansas Historical Society, Topeka, KS

Board Members
Present: Patrick Zollner – Acting State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), Mark Kelly, Terry Marmet, Mary McMurray, Jay Price, Jean Schodorf, Dana Williamson, and Kerry Wynn.

Absent: John Hoopes, Whitley Stephens, and Edna Wagner

A quorum was established.

Staff
Present: Mallory Aye, Jamee Fiore, Kristen Johnston, Lauren Jones, Katrina Ringler, and Ron VanBuskirk.

HSBR Work Session
HSBR held a work session led by Katrina Ringler (KSHS staff) regarding the architectural survey program. The work session started at 9:01 am and ended at 9:30 am.

Proceedings
Chairman Jay Price called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m. He asked KSHS staff member Katrina Ringler to provide instructions on navigating the Webinar menu and participating in the meeting. Price asked for introductions from Board members.

Approval of Minutes
Jean Schodorf made a motion to approve the minutes as prepared; Terry Marmet seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the minutes of August 20, 2022.

Cultural Resources Division Director’s Report
Patrick Zollner reported about the items happening at the historical society. KSHS hired new administrative staff, Ron VanBuskirk. He mentioned the search for a new Executive Director was underway.

National Register of Historic Places nominations:

Chicago, Burlington & Quincy Railroad Freight Depot, Atchison, Atchison County

Criterion A: Transportation
Period of Significance: c1887-1945
Level of Significance: Local
Summary: The freight depot is an excellent example of the “railroad support structure” property type and is eligible under the historic context “Historic Railroad Resources of Kansas.” The Chicago, Burlington, and Quincy Railroad’s origins in Atchison began in 1867 with the newly chartered Atchison & Nebraska City Railroad, which went through several mergers and acquisitions before the CB&Q acquired the latest iteration in 1880.

Discussion: There was some discussion regarding future use of the building and its location.

Public Discussion: There were no questions or comments from the audience.

Motion: Jean Schodorf moved that the Board approve this nomination for listing in the Register of Historic Kansas Places; and recommended the SHPO forward this nomination to the Keeper for listing in the National Register as prepared. The property meets the eligibility requirements under Criterion A: Transportation. Second: Terry Marmet. 7 votes yes

Henry Waters House – Lawrence, Douglas County*

Criteria A & C: Architecture, Commerce, Social History
Period of Significance: 1872-1972 Level of Significance: Local
Resource Count: 1 contributing building
Prepared & presented by: Dale Nimz

Summary: Henry Waters was known for patent medicines, and his house was designed to include a cellar to process and distribute them. Patent medicines are a type of social and commercial enterprise and contribute to our history through those areas.

Discussion: There was some discussion regarding future plans for the house.

Public Discussion: There were no questions or comments from the audience.

Motion: Kerry Wynn moved that the Board approve this nomination for listing in the Register of Historic Kansas Places; and recommended the SHPO forward this nomination to the Keeper for listing in the National Register as prepared. The property meets the eligibility requirements under Criteria A & C: Architecture, Commerce, Social History. Second: Jean Schodorf. 7 votes yes

Luther Severy & Son Stock Farm – Reading, Osage County

Criteria A & C: Agriculture, Architecture
Period of significance: c 1880s - c1945 Level of significance: Local
Summary: The farm is significant because of its association with agriculture in Osage/Lyon County. The Severy’s were influential members of the area and contributed to the growth and history of Reading.

Discussion: There was no discussion from the Board.

Public Discussion: J.T. and Amy Crawford, owners, spoke in favor and discussed the history and ownership of the property. Rod House, nomination preparer, spoke on behalf of the nomination and discussed his research findings. Jean Schodorf asked for clarification regarding the floor plan of the house.

Motion: Terry Marmet moved that the Board approve this nomination for listing in the Register of Historic Kansas Places; and recommended the SHPO forward this nomination to the Keeper for listing in the National Register as prepared. The property meets the eligibility requirements under Criteria A & C: Agriculture, Architecture. Second: Mary McMurray. 7 votes yes

Yuma Street Historic District – Manhattan, Riley County*

Criterion A: Ethnic Heritage/Black, Social History/Civil Rights
Period of Significance: 1904-1968
Level of Significance: Local
Resource Count: 3 contributing buildings (2 non-contributing); 1 contributing site, 1 previously listed
Prepared by: Ben Chmiel Presented by: Lauren McCauley-Jones

Summary: The historic district has been a hub for the Black community in Manhattan since the late 1870s and represents an important collection of buildings associated with Black history in the area.

Discussion: There was no discussion.

Public Discussion: There were no questions or comments from the audience.

Motion: Jay Price moved that the Board approve this nomination for listing in the Register of Historic Kansas Places; and recommended the SHPO forward this nomination to the Keeper for listing in the National Register as prepared. The property meets the eligibility requirements under Criterion A: Ethnic Heritage/Black, Social History/Civil Rights. Second: Mary McMurray. 7 votes yes

Pioneer Hall, Kansas Wesleyan University – Salina, Saline County

Criteria A & C: Education, Architecture
Period of significance: 1922-1930
Level of significance: Local
Resource Count: 1 contributing building
Prepared & presented by: Spencer Preservation – Brenda Spencer
Summary: Pioneer Hall was the eighth building on the Kansas Wesleyan campus and is a stately four-story Collegiate Gothic-style building, iconic during that period of campus development.

Discussion: There was discussion regarding the style of the building.

Public Discussion: There were no questions or comments from the audience.

Motion: Dana Williamson moved that the Board approve this nomination for listing in the Register of Historic Kansas Places; and recommended the SHPO forward this nomination to the Keeper for listing in the National Register as prepared. The property meets the eligibility requirements under Criteria A & C: Education, Architecture. Second: Terry Marmet. 7 votes yes

Ritchie Cemetery – Topeka, Shawnee County

Criteria A & D: Ethnic Heritage – Black
Period of significance: c 1885-1941 Level of significance: Local
Resource count: 1 contributing site
Prepared & presented by: Buried Part Consulting, Wendi Bevitt

Summary: The cemetery is associated with the early settlement and history of African Americans in Topeka.

Discussion: There was discussion regarding other African American burials in Topeka.

Public Discussion: There were no questions or comments from the audience.

Motion: Jean Schodorf moved that the Board approve this nomination for listing in the Register of Historic Kansas Places; and recommended the SHPO forward this nomination to the Keeper for listing in the National Register as prepared. The property meets the eligibility requirements under Criteria A & D: Ethnic Heritage - Black. Second: Mary McMurray. 7 votes yes

Whittier School – Kansas City, Wyandotte County

Criteria A & C: Education, Architecture
Period of significance: 1922 Level of significance: Local
Resource count: 1 contributing building, 2 contributing structures
Prepared & presented by: Rosin Preservation, Mason Martel

Summary: the school is a great example of the property type and meets the Historic Public Schools of Kansas context.

Discussion: Jay asked about the architectural style and details.

Public Discussion: There were no questions or comments from the audience.
Motion: Terry Marmet moved that the Board approve this nomination for listing in the Register of Historic Kansas Places; and recommended the SHPO forward this nomination to the Keeper for listing in the National Register as prepared. The property meets the eligibility requirements under Criteria A & C: Education, Architecture. Second: Dana Williamson. 7 votes yes

Other Business:

Meetings/Schedule for 2023:

February 4, 2023 (virtual); May 6, 2023 (in Independence, Kansas, as part of the 2023 Kansas Historic Preservation Conference); August 5, 2023 (virtual); November 4, 2023 (virtual)

Secondary Siding Discussion:

The discussion was postponed the Board will move this discussion to their next meeting on February 4, 2023.

Motioned by Dana Williamson to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by: Mary McMurray. Adjourned at 11:45 am.