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Historic Resources Task Force Meeting Minutes September 12, 2006 609 E. Market Street Suite 114 12:00 Noon

Members present were: Mark Beliles, Chair, Helena Devereux, Winston Gooding, Genevieve Keller and Ingrid Smyer-Kelly. Staff present: Mary Joy Scala

12:05 The Chair called the meeting to order.

The group considered the minutes for August 1, 2006. Mark noted a typo on page 2. Mary Joy noted two typos on page 3. Gennie made a motion to approve the minutes with the corrections noted, and Winston seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Mary Joy gave updates on the Preservation group meeting, the name change and local markers. Gennie said a comprehensive list of local markers could be found in the minutes.

Mark said at Thursday's event he plans to introduce current members, will ask for new members, and discussed acknowledging the role of the task force.

Ingrid arrived at 12:20.

Helena prepared a skeleton plan for consideration.

There was discussion about a possible connection to the Jamestown 2007 Celebration.

Mark said that we might learn something on Thursday; and the task force could help support or participate in anything that emerges.

Ingrid mentioned that her book Virginia Settlement Five Centuries has a section on Jamestown.

Mark said he is also writing a booklet on Jamestown. He is working on a film about the American Dream. Jamestown is a part of that.

Mark also said we could participate in any public commemoration or events.

He said we should develop our web page more; add more pictures; more material; other groups could link to it.

Ingrid agreed that we should link our website to other organizations.

Mark said we could propose at the meeting Thursday that all the groups link via web sites.

Helena said we should coordinate with other preservation groups to:

- Develop and expand our web site
- Coordinate for 2007 Jamestown
- Continue to plan for an annual gathering.

Mark will call Doug Day and get a "tiny URL." He asked who could contact L'Alliance Française?"

Gennie proposed expanding the Jamestown story to make it more current. For example, How did your family come to Charlottesville? People have come here from somewhere else to build a community.

Mark said there may be a way for people to submit a memo to our website.

Gennie said they did it with the Festival of the Book.

Helena said they did something on oral histories a few years ago.

Gennie said to send something to Nancy Damon about how we could set up a web site where people could submit their stories. We could have the group choose 4-5 compelling stories and publicize the web site.

Helena said we could coordinate anything else going on with the Jamestown celebration.

Mark said to make it an agenda item at our next meeting.

Genie will call Nancy Damon.

Mark asked if anyone had other thoughts?

Gennie said she was supposed to discuss public participation ideas (she had a handout). She said we could focus on schools one year (lecture, markers on schools), then parks, law enforcement, women in history.

Ingrid said we should also consider an annual social like we had at Court Square.

Mark said we could organize an event and give an award. The task force could provide an event in conjunction with the Thanksgiving Festival.

Mark said we should work on a 5-year plan also next month.

Mark will be away Oct. 3-19.

Mary Joy suggested not meeting in October.

Helena said she will type the changes we made today to her skeleton plan.

The next meeting was set on November 7.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m..