

Cayce Historical Museum Commission**May 7, 2025****Meeting Minutes**

The May 7, 2025 meeting of the Cayce Historical Museum Commission (CHMC) was held in the Cayce Visitors Center. The meeting was convened at 5:02pm by Chair James Stewart. The following individuals attended the meeting:

Name	Status
James Stewart	Chair
Pamela Sulton	Vice Chair
Marcy Hayden	Secretary
Archie Moore	Commissioner
Chris Tenny	Commissioner
Charlita Earle	Commissioner
Keith Stephenson	Commissioner
David Brinkman	Commissioner
Will Britz	Commissioner (absent)
Andy Thomas	Cayce Museum Curator
Elizabeth Lumsden	Cayce Museum Assistant

Upcoming Events:

June 21, 2025-Juneteenth Event with Storytellers and Crafts (9am-12pm)

Invocation: Vice Chair Sulton

Action Items:**March Meeting Minutes:**

The Commission reviewed the previous meeting minutes. The minutes were approved pending addition of by-law amendment vote. Motion was made by Commissioner Brinkman and seconded by Commission Stephenson. Motion passed.

Donations

No updates at this time.

Museum Staff Report

Museum staff and volunteers are making progress on the NAGPRA inventory having recorded around 6,350-400 objects to date. The NAGPRA report work continues until all Native American Indian items are cataloged. The Tartan Day South Colonial Village was successful with hundreds of visitors. There was a new layout this year and there was a lot of positive feedback. The Legends of Cayce event had good attendance with over 100 attendees including the Mayor, City Manager, and Council Member. The Freeman Hill Masonic Lodge was a great supporter at this year's event. Feedback on the event from Commissioners included the need for updated/newer AV equipment, more youth involvement, more refreshments but overall a wonderful event at a great location. "Shot Heard Around the World" event had around 800 attendees. The Archeology Identification event was not as well attended, but the objects brought in were interesting. There are plans to do this type of event again with additional advertising.

Exhibits: The Columbia Airport Exhibit has been set up. The staff have requested to have a kiosk exhibit at the Columbia Airport. The Public Safety building needs additional funding for ongoing electrical issues. Language for the REV250 exhibit is currently being drafted by Commissioner Brinkman, Ms. Sue Kelly and Museum staff and the exhibit is expected to open in 2027.

Upcoming Events: Juneteenth program is set for June 21st from 9am-12pm and will feature a storyteller and crafter). Additional events are planned for Thursday evenings starting in June (TBA), Genealogy Workshops, and Youth Programs in May and June (TBA).

Ongoing Business:

By-Law Committee:

The Commission voted to update the by-laws to include the African American Committee as a standing sub-committee under the Commission. The motion was made by Commissioner Hayden and seconded by Vice Chair Sulton. The motion passed unanimously for the second reading of this amendment.

Strategic Planning-Historic Preservation

Commissioner Tenny presented on the Bailey Bill Historic Preservation Tax Credit program and how it has been incorporated into the preservation work of Columbia, SC. Commissioners asked questions and discussed inclusion in the powerpoint presentation being created for the community. Additional discussion will be included in future agendas. No action was taken.

Old State Road NRHP Nomination

No updates at this time.

New Business:

No updates at this time.

Additional Business:

No updates at this time.

With no other business on the meeting agenda and a motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Moore and seconded by Commissioner Earle. The meeting adjourned at **6:25PM**.