

Olive Branch School Preservation Society
Minutes of the meeting on January 10, 2024

The quarterly OBSPS Board meeting that was scheduled to be held on January 10, 2024 was cancelled. In lieu of the meeting, Chairperson Jim Leathley sent out the following status report for the period from our last meeting on October 11, 2023 through December 31, 2023:

A) Renovation Progress:

- In preparation for exterior painting, A.R. Ashbaugh, Inc. employees began making repairs to the eaves. Several areas on both the 1st and 2nd story eaves are in need of patching and/or replacement. Once the repairs have been completed, painting will begin (anticipated to be in the Spring)
- Having the received approval from the Turner Foundation for our most recent grant request, we will be moving forward with drywalling and painting of the South East classroom and the Main Entrance foyer. Work to be completed/overseen by A.R. Ashbaugh, Inc. In that there is no heat in the building, this work will commence as weather permits.
- In conjunction with the classroom drywall work, the remaining plywood will be removed from the SE classroom floor (to be completed by volunteers). Also, an electrician will be consulted regarding minor electrical needs for the classroom, as well as lighting in the foyer

B) Potential Renovation Projects:

- Restore and rehang sliding pocket doors in SE classroom
- Remove objects from SW classroom
- Remove floor tiles, wall cabinets in SW classroom
- Remove doorway partition between SW classroom and auditorium/gymnasium area
- Remove wall partition from stage (opening up stage)

C) Potential Financial Opportunities:

- No solid new opportunities known
- Alec Ashbaugh and Jim Leathley to meet with Matt Davis to discuss possible options (if any)

Submitted by OBSPS Chair Jim Leathley