Preservation Spotlight – the State Historic Preservation Review Board

Have you ever wondered how a property is listed on the National Register of Historic Places? One important step in the process is the National Register nomination's review by the CT State Historic Preservation Review Board (SRB). The SRB is a ten (10) member, volunteer board that evaluates National Register nominations prior to submission to the National Park Service.

SRB members must consist of a majority of qualified professionals in the areas of history, architecture, prehistoric and historic archaeology, and architectural history, to name a few. During the meetings several nominations could be on the agenda, sometimes totaling hundreds of pages of reading. Their comments and feedback help staff finalize the nominations for submission to the National Park Service.

So, who are the current members of the SRB?

Member	Area of Expertise	Years on the SRB
Jared Edwards, Chair	Historical Architecture	42
Phil Barlow	Landscape Architecture	4
Dr. Cecelia Bucki	U.S. Social & Ethnic History	6
Stephanie Dyer-Carroll	Architectural History, Planning	3
Dr. Kenneth Feder	Archaeology (Prehistory)	23
John Herzan	Architectural History	7
Mark McMillan	Architectural History, Material	4
	Conservation	
Cece Saunders	Historical Archaeology	29
Christopher Wigren	Architectural History	16

As you see above, many members have served on the SRB for years, even decades. In fact, Jared Edwards is one of the longest serving SRB members in the nation! The SRB's commitment to the National Register Program provides the state with expert and consistent reviews. The SHPO literally could not do its job without the dedication and commitment of the SRB members. We thank them for their service.

The SRB meets four times a year. The next meeting it will be held virtually at 9:30 on June 17. Visit the SRB webpage to review the agenda. And to review past meetings at your leisure, visit the SHPO's YouTube page.

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