

2021 Current Fiscal Year Report: Committee for the Preservation of the White House

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1. Department or Agency		2. Fiscal Year	
Department of the Interior		2021	
3. Committee or Subcommittee		3b. GSA Committee No.	
Committee for the Preservation of the White House		499	
4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?	5. Current Charter	6. Expected Renewal Date	7. Expected Term Date
No	01/31/2020	01/31/2022	
8a. Was Terminated During FiscalYear?	8b. Specific Termination Authority	8c. Actual Term Date	
No			
9. Agency Recommendation for Next FiscalYear	10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?	10b. Legislation Pending?	
Continue	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	
11. Establishment Authority Presidential			
12. Specific Establishment Authority	13. Effective Date	14. Committee Type	14c. Presidential?
E.O. 11145, as amended by E.O. 13811 Signed September 29, 2017	03/07/1964	Continuing	Yes
15. Description of Committee Other Committee			
16a. Total Number of Reports	No Reports for this FiscalYear		
17a. Open Meetings and Dates	17b. Closed	17c. Partially Closed	Other Activities
0	0	0	0
17d. Total 0			

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00

18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$0.00	\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.00	0.00

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The Committee reports to the President and advises the Director of the National Park Service with respect to the discharge of his responsibilities under the Act of September 22, 1961, for the preservation and the interpretation of the museum character of the principal corridor on the ground floor and principal public rooms on the first floor of the White House. The Committee makes recommendations concerning articles of furniture, fixtures and decorative objects which are used or displayed in the aforesaid areas of the White House and as the decor and arrangements therein best suited to enhance the historic and artistic values of the White House and such articles, fixtures and objects.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

As prescribed by Executive Order 11145 (as amended by Executive Order 13446), the Committee is composed of: (a) the Director of the National Park Service, who serves as Chair of the Committee; (b) the Curator of the White House; (c) the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution; (d) the Chairman of the Commission of Fine Arts; (e) the Director of the National Gallery of Art; (f) the Chief Usher of the White House; and (g) so many other members as the President of the United States may from time to time appoint. The Director of the National Park Service is to designate an official of the National Park Service to act as Executive Secretary to the Committee.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The Committee generally meets one to two times yearly. The Committee advice includes recommendations with regard to the preservation of the museum character and interpretation of the museum character of the principal corridor on the ground floor and the principal public rooms on the first floor of the White House. The Committee provides advice and counsel on additions being considered for the White House Collection and on the care and refurbishment of rooms and corridors on the State and Ground Floors of the White House.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

The purpose of the Committee is to report to the President of the United States and advise the Director of the National Park Service regarding the maintenance of the White House as a public monument.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

Meetings are open to the public.

21. Remarks

Re MEMBERSHIP--The Committee is composed of ex-officio members and Presidential appointees. Each ex-officio member continues to serve as long as the member encumbers the position designated for Committee membership; Presidential appointees serve at the pleasure of the President.

Designated Federal Officer

John J. Stanwich National Park Service Liaison to the White House

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Benge, Shawn	01/21/2021		Deputy Director for Operations, NPS Exercising the Authority of the Director NPS	Ex Officio Member
Bowman, Leslie	03/14/2019	01/20/2021	President & CEO, Thomas Jefferson Foundation, Inc.	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Bunch, Lonnie	06/16/2019		Secretary, Smithsonian Institution	Ex Officio Member
Cooper, Wendy	03/14/2019	01/20/2021	Curator Emerita of Furniture, Winterthur Museum	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Everson, Margaret	08/10/2020	01/20/2021	Counselor to the Secretary	Ex Officio Member
Feldman, Kaywin	03/14/2019		Director, The National Gallery of Art	Ex Officio Member
Guillot, Perry	09/23/2020	01/20/2021	Landscape Architect	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Harleth, Timothy	06/22/2017	01/20/2021	Chief Usher of the White House	Ex Officio Member
Hinson, Katie	01/21/2021		Acting Director of the Executive Residence and Chief Usher	Ex Officio Member
Kannalikhham, Tham	03/14/2019	01/20/2021	Interior Designer	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Luebke, Thomas	10/23/2019	01/20/2021	Secretary, U.S. Commission of Fine Arts	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Nylander, Richard	03/14/2019	01/20/2021	Curator Emeritus, Historic New England	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member
Powell, Earl	02/01/1993	01/20/2021	Chairman, The U.S. Commission of Fine Arts	Ex Officio Member
Shubow, Justin	01/21/2021		Chairman, U.S. Commission of Fine Arts	Ex Officio Member
Tederick, Lydia	01/21/2017		White House Curator	Ex Officio Member
Wilmerding, John	03/14/2019	01/20/2021	Sarofim Professor of American Art, Emeritus	Special Government Employee (SGE) Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 16

Narrative Description

The Committee for the Preservation of the White House reports to the President and advises the Director of the National Park Service on his or her responsibilities under the Act of September 22, 1961, for the preservation and interpretation of the museum character of the principal corridor on the ground floor and the principal public rooms on the first floor of the White House.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

- Improvements to health or safety
- Trust in government
- Major policy changes
- Advance in scientific research
- Effective grant making
- Improved service delivery
- Increased customer satisfaction
- Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements
- Other

Outcome Comments

The Committee advises on the implementation of portions of the Act of September 22, 1961.

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

- None
- Unable to Determine
- Under \$100,000
- \$100,000 - \$500,000
- \$500,001 - \$1,000,000
- \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000
- \$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000
- Over \$10,000,000
- Cost Savings Other

Cost Savings Comments

Members of the Committee serve without compensation and are reimbursed for their travel, if requested. Members share their expertise in a variety of subject matter areas affecting the State and Ground Floor rooms of the White House. It is impossible to determine the cost to the government of obtaining this level of expert advice on room design, preservation and the fine and decorative arts.

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

Number of Recommendations Comments

The Committee met twice in FY 2020. The Committee made a total of 9 recommendations for acquisitions. These included recommendations for acquisition of statuary, paintings and decorative art that broaden and enhance the scope of the White House Collection. Beyond this the Committee made several other recommendations for improvement of the White House Grounds and administrative and organizational improvements to enhance the efficiency of the Committee operations and outcomes.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

100%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

The Committee's advice and counsel is followed in the care and preservation of the Ground Floor Hallway and the Rooms on the State Floor and in the acquisitions for, and loans of, the White House Collection.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

0%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

NA

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes No Not Applicable

Agency Feedback Comments

Feedback is provided through subsequent committee meetings or through emails and mailings.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

- Reorganized Priorities
- Reallocated resources
- Issued new regulation

- Proposed legislation
- Approved grants or other payments
- Other

Action Comments

Committee members advise on the preservation and interpretation of the Ground and State floor rooms of the White House and on the acquisition of fine and decorative arts for the White House Collection.

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

NA

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

- Contact DFO
- Online Agency Web Site
- Online Committee Web Site
- Online GSA FACA Web Site
- Publications
- Other

Access Comments

Please contact John Stanwich, Designated Federal Officer, at (202) 219-0322 or john_stanwich@nps.gov for information on the Committee.