

Approved March 27, 2010
NEVADA ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION
MEETING MINUTES
January 23, 2010
Board of Directors Meeting
Searchlight, Nevada

A. Call to Order: 2:00pm

Present: Board Members-Eva Jensen, Lynn Furnis, Daron Duke, Greg Seymour, George Phillips, Jeff Wedding, Liz Russell, Laurie Perry.

General Members-Steve Daron, Sali Underwood, Sue Edwards, Ruth Lopez, Dina Sedar.

B. Approval of Minutes: October 3, 2009, minutes were approved with corrections to location and starting time.

C. President's Report: Eva Jensen-Grant applications for 2011 were sent to the Nevada State Historic Preservation Office for site steward training and archaeology month activities. Funding agreements for 2010 were signed; grant period is November 1, 2009 to July 31, 2010. Anyone working on Archaeology Month activities needs to track time as part of matching grant. Photographs and material for Archaeology Month are being collected; the theme is the roles of volunteers.

Mark Slaughter is collecting articles for editing the new Three Corners volume. The last edition will be available at meetings and Great Basin Conference. NAA can have a display copy and order form of the Three Corners volume and brochures at the COAS at the Society for American Archaeology conference.

D. Treasurer's Report: George Phillips-See the attached report.

In Situ expenses seem short, George and Greg will work together to check for outstanding expenses. NAA needs to file with IRS when income is greater than \$25,000, Eva, Jeff, and George will check on requirements.

E. Secretary's Report: None.

F. Newsletter Editor's Report: Greg Seymour-Received compliments on the newsletter.

G. Membership Secretary's Report: Daron Duke-Membership dues are trickling in.

The updated membership form has an electronic newsletter option. Daron is working on correcting inconsistencies in different versions of membership forms.

The board discussed email distribution to members: For electronic mailings, blind copies will hide other addressees. The electronic newsletter size is being watched for email. Types of mailings that will be ok include NAA newsletter and NAA specific information. Book ads are not acceptable. Non-NAA information may be included in the newsletter. A suggestion was made to do a calendar of events on web page that could include other group events. Currently there is no advertising.

H. Web Master: Eva for Hal Rager-Does new web software need to be purchased? The full capacity of the existing software is not being used. A generic gmail account with shared document capability can be set up, free, for Board Member access. Hal is willing to update the website, provide input to him.

Two action items recommended: 1) Set up the gmail account. 2) Work on mock-ups or examples of website appearance for review, send ideas to Hal, check out the Clark County web page.

Should the newsletter be posted on the website? Concern was raised over site location information that may be in the newsletter.

I. Reports by Chapters, Affiliated Organizations, Committees:

Am-Arcs: No report.

Archaeo-Nevada Society: Jeff Wedding will present Part 2 of his railroad report.

Churchill County Chapter: No report.

Elko County Chapter: Active, having archaeology fair and a dig every Saturday in May.

White Pine Historical and Archaeological Society: Non-existent.

Lincoln County Chapter: Meet every other month; George Phillips presented last month on pictures of the rock art in the Grand Canyon; next Saturday is a presentation and field trip to Evergreen Flats pictographs.

Nevada Rock Art Foundation: Annual meeting is May 7-9, 2010, at Mammoth Lakes, California.

Site Steward Committee: Liz Russell-Sali Underwood is presenting GPS training in Sparks on February 6 and February 20 in Pahrump. Basic training will be around May 3 in Carson City. March 4, 5 is the train the trainers and North Central appreciation event with a lithic demonstration. Event will be in Elko in May or June, Gerlach on May 29-tentative date. Liz still reports problems with getting sites from BLM for trained stewards. February 5 is a quarterly site meeting at the Windmill Ridge in Alamo.

Auction Affairs Committee: Jeff Wedding-There will be an auction at the annual meeting this year, conducted like last year. Procedures improve for accounting and providing receipts. 501(c)(3) questions have not yet been resolved.

State Historic Preservation Office Report: Sali Underwood-Alice Baldrice sent announcements for Archaeology and Historic Preservation month. Alice's last day is May 1 for retirement. More budget cuts were asked from state agencies, programs are likely to be affected. No word yet on the Springs Preserve holding the Culture History Fair.

J. Old Business

Nevada Archaeologist journal status: 2009 is not out yet, Dave Valentine and Anne McConnell are working on it. Mark Giambastiani and Eva Jensen will do a collection of proceeding papers next. Seeking ideas for next volume, Nevada Rock Art Foundation volume was suggested.

Archaeology Month: Eva Jensen-The theme this year is volunteers' contributions to archaeology and historic preservation. Alice Baldrice sent out questionnaires for events. Eva requests photographs of volunteers in action for the poster. The poster needs to be ready by the first week of April, and would be nice to have for the NAA annual meeting is the last weekend of March. Jeff Wedding will help with the design as needed, Tom (Lost City Museum) can do the poster and post on gmail for Board reviews. Eva and Dina Sedar will work together with Tom and Jeff. Posters are due March 1-15 to the Society for American Archaeology for their annual meeting, judging contest. Suggestions were made to do a postcard mailing identifying SHPO's website and showing a calendar of events rather than a brochure or do a 2 sided poster with events on the back side.

Annual Meeting: Sue Edwards-Sue will check on the need for NAA to secure insurance for the events. The Board approved paying event insurance, not to exceed \$1,000, if needed.

The meetings are scheduled for March 26 and 27 with field trips on March 28 at Desert Research Institute in Las Vegas. DRI is not charging NAA for the facilities. Rooms with 140 person capacity are available both meeting days. On March 26, from 9:00 to noon, Lynn Furnis and Ron Reno will do a historic artifact workshop with a 50 person maximum attendance. No fee will be charged. This is a training opportunity for site stewards, too. From 1:00-4:00, a lithic landscapes

discussion will be held to discuss recording and managing large lithic sites common in Nevada. Hotels available for NAA rates are the Embassy Suites and Terrible Hearst's. The social event on Friday night will most likely be at Bahama Breeze since the Embassy Suites room is expensive. There will be a cash bar and appetizers, Far Western will sponsor some of the costs. We can ask other consulting firms if they would also like to sponsor this or other NAA events. Colleen Beck will speak about her work at Peace Camp on Saturday evening. The banquet will be held in the 3rd floor rotunda with rental fees for tables and chairs to be determined. At Your Service Catering by Paul DePata will provide the food. Charges will be \$35-\$36 per person. The NAA Board meeting will be Friday afternoon. Sunday tours of the Atomic Testing Museum are being determined. Other field trips are needed. The registration packets need to be mailed out and can be emailed to members. The Board approved Alice Baldrice as recipient for the Silver Trowel Award. The Ting Perkins Award was discussed with no nominees presented. Lynn Furnis asked if Ron Reno would be allowed to sell his book at the meetings, this will be allowed. Daron Duke will work with the T-shirt company, Jeff Wedding will work on images.

NAA Assessment, Mission Statement and Goals: Greg Seymour-The assessment is in progress. Eva Jensen-Looking at 3 major issues in By-laws: 1) General housekeeping including adding details in some areas, open meeting requirements, and check signature requirements. 2) Voting procedures for the Board and membership at large need to be revised. 3) Update approval procedures to expand methods, including email, and invoice approvals should specify which Board members or clarify current by-law. By-law revisions should be sent out with the Annual Meeting registration packet.

Web site Update: Previously discussed under Web Master.

Assistance Agreements: Not done yet, Laurie Perry to draft one with BLM.

K. New Business: George Phillips-NAA's filing with the Secretary of the State was done, it includes Board member addresses.

L. Next Board Meeting: March 26 during the Annual Meeting at Desert Research Institute in Las Vegas.

Adjourned: 4:23pm

Meeting Minutes by: Laureen Perry, NAA Secretary