

**Nevada Archaeological Association  
General Business Meeting Minutes  
Held at the  
2013 Annual NAA Meeting, at the Mt. Charleston Resort, Nevada  
April 20, 2013**

**Meeting Called to Order: 4:15 pm**

**President's Report:** President Craig Hauer began the meeting, welcoming the membership and presenting the President's report, in which he told the membership about the current and upcoming status of Historic Preservation Foundation grants, administered through the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO). The NAA will be completing its current grant work (mid-2012 to mid-2013) at the end of May, 2013. This included the conducting of four training workshops for site stewards and the production of Nevada's Historic Preservation/Archaeology Month events brochures. The free workshop provided yesterday morning at this conference by Thomas Bullard of DRI was one of those workshops. We also designed, produced, and distributed posters for Archaeology Month, without grant funding. The posters are done and available for the taking by attendees of this conference. The NAA has not received grant funding for the coming year from SHPO.

President Hauer also mentioned that the *In Situ* newsletters, which have been coming out at irregular intervals, will be produced and sent out at more regular intervals, with the timing to precede each upcoming quarterly board meeting. He announced that the NAA has produced a journal in the past few months, and the next one is due out in late October, 2013.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sue Edwards presented the Treasurer's report on behalf of George Phillips, who could not attend. Our starting balance as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013 was \$20,185.22 and our ending balance as of today is \$29,526.95, which does not include expenses for today's conference that will have to be paid out, but does include the money that was made from 2013 memberships and conference pre-registration and T-shirt orders.

**Secretary's Report:** Lynn Furnis announced that she is stepping down from the Secretary position and from the NAA Board. She enjoyed being on the Board and working with its members for the past four years. She described the duties of the Secretary and encouraged others to run for a Board position today at this general business meeting.

**Newsletter Report:** Jeff Wedding briefly discussed the newsletter, mentioning the very fine work that Liz Dickey has been doing to create and produce it. He also explained that we need to keep to tighter deadlines and are trying hard to do that for this and future years. The newsletter will have a new feature developed by Sue Edwards – articles featuring the profiles of ex-patriot members, as many long-time members have now left Nevada but were important contributors to and supporters of Nevada archaeology. An increasingly large proportion of the NAA membership is living outside Nevada.

**Membership Report:** Susan Edwards reported that our membership is considerably up from the past couple of years. Our numbers have been slowly declining in recent years. But Sue has worked hard to reverse this trend and has successfully turned that around in 2013, from 104 memberships in December 2012 to 153, as of April 17, 2013.

**By-Laws:** The NAA Board has made revisions to the existing NAA by-laws in the past two years and now is presenting them to the general membership for a vote. Hard copies of the proposed new by-laws were sent to members by mail prior to the annual meeting for review and the existing by-laws were available on the NAA website for review and comparison. Craig Hauer explained the major changes to the existing by-laws. Basically, articles IV, VI, VII, and VIII have been deleted and the issues which they addressed – publications, elections, duties of board of directors, financial matters, and meetings – have been revised, streamlined, and included in new articles. Craig called for a verbal vote. There were no dissenting votes. The new by-laws have been accepted by means of the membership’s vote.

**Election:** At this point, we began the election of new Board members. Steve Daron officially ran the election. There were four openings on the Board, though based on the new by-laws, the number of Board members can be variable. But the outgoing Board wished to retain the same number of members it has had, which is nine. Interim Treasurer George Phillips, Secretary Lynn Furnis, and Site Steward Coordinator and Liaison Liz Russell were resigning from the Board after many years of service. George was filling in for the Treasurer who was newly elected in 2012 but who had to resign for health reasons. Lynn has moved to California, and Liz is moving soon to New York. The fourth, member-at-large Krysan Williams, was dropped as she was ineligible for nomination as her NAA membership dues are not current. The remaining five current Board members were willing to run again and continue on the Board, if re-elected. They were: Craig Hauer, Mark Giambastiani, Karla Jageman, Susan Edwards, and Jeff Wedding.

Craig Hauer nominated Sean McMurry, of Reno, Nevada.

Liz Russell nominated Jeff Wedding, of Las Vegas.

Sue Edwards nominated Christina Callisto of Las Vegas

Sue Edwards, Karla Jageman, Mark Giambastiani, and Craig Hauer were nominated, from Las Vegas, Baker, Reno, and Virginia City, Nevada respectively.

Sali Underwood of Las Vegas and Cal Jennings of Winnemucca were also nominated.

All nine nominees were unanimously voted in.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was officially adjourned at 4:40pm

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Furnis, NAA Secretary