

ASSOCIATION OF IOWA ARCHAEOLOGISTS

Annual Business Minutes
Lime Creek Nature Center,
Mason City, Iowa
7 June 2014
Call to order 10:00 am

1. Call to Order (10:08)
2. Minutes of the 2013 Business Meeting (approved with no changes)
3. Membership and Consultants List Applications
 - a. Applications for New Fellow Members : Eleishia Barnett and Keith Young (passed)
 - b. Application for New Consultants : Two Rivers Archaeology, LLC (passed)
 - c. Status change: Sarah Horgan fellow to adjunct status (passed)
 - d. Nominations for Honorary Status : Dave Benn, Shirley Schermer, and Jim Collins (passed)
 - e. Matt E Hill and Austin Buhta removed from membership due to attendance
4. Election of Officers
President-elect Leslie Ambrosino (term will run from 2014-2017)
Member at large Jon Sellars (term will run from 2014-2017)
5. Treasure's Report (passed)
Treasurer reports a current balance of \$2204.60 as of June 6, 2014. New revenues for 2013-2014 (\$997.20) include \$995.00 in membership dues and \$2.20 in interest dividends. Expenditures (\$865.57) include \$600.00 for Iowa Archaeology Month approved by the membership at the 2013 Business Meeting and \$265.57 for expenses related to the 2013 Business Meeting. A complete financial report will be made available June 30, 2014, the end of the fiscal year.

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6. Committee Reports
 - a. Legislative Information Officer – Quiet year for legislation regarding history and most bills were stopped in committee – Email Jean Krewson if interested in a particular bill.
 - b. No other reports
7. Agency Updates:
 - a. SHPO – numerous staff changes – cemetery locations have been updated – please contact Don Hirt with any survey area discrepancies or for the more up-to-date information – make sure to identify intensive surveys – some discussion of online submittals, but may not be practical for larger projects
 - b. Iowa DOT – no specific news, tribal summit well attended and there is interest making it an annual meeting – additional agency involvement is encouraged and there may be potential for having contractor involvement
 - c. COE Rock Island – no news
 - d. OSA – Elizabeth Reetz is the new Education & Outreach Program Director, several other retirements and staff changes – South Dakota purchased a portion of the Blood Run Site in South Dakota (Good Earth State Park) and created a management plan – Iowa has some funding which may include some funding for a management plan, DOT borrow contractor will get a site search and are encouraged to get comment from the OSA

8. Old Business
 - a. Proposal to place “Not For Public Disclosure” on all report maps and figures containing site locations – general approval with some vocal opposition citing chilling effect on landowners/public interest and stewardship – the State Archaeologist is the one who can determine what information is protected, confidentiality statements may be included in the report and any figures with specific site locations – no language specifics have been agreed on and further language discussion will be conducted on the listserv – a proposed bylaw amendment will be forthcoming.
 - b. Proposal to hold bi-annual conference-style meeting for Iowa Archaeology – the Iowa Academy of Science as a venue does not appear to be feasible – such a conference would likely be valuable in disseminating information on recent activities – may work best with Iowa Archaeological Society – a similar conference in Minnesota may be a useful model
 - c. Request to participate in petition to halt TV shows, i.e. Diggers, through Change.Org movement – not supported as a board citing limited utility, logistic difficulty for getting membership approval, and the risk of being involved with Change.Org as a for profit business – members as individuals are welcome to participate
 - d. Request for “cheat-sheet” on using the new functions of I-Sites presented at 2013 meeting – such a “cheat sheet” is currently in the works and will be circulated when it becomes available
9. New Business
 - a. Proposal to define the year of service for “at large” board member position – assumed to be 3 years – a bylaw will be presented at the next business meeting
 - b. Proposal for an independent AIA-hosted website – positive response for independent website – discussion of specifics including how to organize the site
 - c. Proposal for membership on the contractors list – specific removal procedure is not defined
 - d. Proposal for renewed Guidelines revision and publication schedule – two year process outlined by Anderson – Artz identified the revision as a priority and would aim to be completed by the 2015 meeting
 - e. Supplemental site form submission – recording the status of sites is valuable and encouraged, but supplements should add information – will be addressed in bylaw revisions
10. Other Business
 - a. Donation to Lime Creek Nature Center (\$100 passed)
 - b. Donation to support Iowa Archaeology Month 2014 (\$600 passed)
 - c. Site forms – updating early site forms in the I-Sites database by users is encouraged – addition of report citation is also requested
 - d. Meeting time – discussion of business meeting date – no better time was identified
11. Adjourn Business Meeting
12. Mobile Museum Presentation (John Doershuk)

Nominations for Honorary status

Shirley Schermer (Brennan Dolan)

I would like to ask that we change Shirley Schermer's AIA status to honorary member. Shirley has been a long time member of the AIA and has a demonstrable record of service to the AIA, Iowa archaeology, the OSA and the Native American Community. Shirley has been a leader in that state regarding Native American relations. For decades Shirley has balanced respect for human remains (of all ethnic backgrounds) and project needs through our state burials law. This balance is not easy and requires a tremendous set of skills. Our appreciation of her career efforts is tremendous and following the recent announcement of her retirement I'd respectfully like to ask the AIA to offer her honorary member status.

Dave Benn (Brennan Dolan)

I would also like to nominate Dave Benn to honorary member status. Dave was a founding member of the AIA and has a demonstrable record of service to the AIA, Iowa archaeology, and the region. Dave has and continues to be a leader in the development of field methods as well as archaeological interpretation in Iowa and beyond. In the words of a mutual colleague Dave is a "deep thinker" and we are lucky he has focused much of his career on Iowa archaeology. Dave announced his impending retirement this spring and it would serve us well to acknowledge Dave by offering him honorary member status.

Jim Collins (Carl Merry)

Jim has been an archaeologist on staff at the UI Office of the State Archaeologist since 1988. He has been engaged in Midwestern and Plains archaeology since 1974, having worked extensively through Illinois, Missouri, Kansas and Iowa. Jim recently retired in April and he has been granted emeritus status in the department in order to continue to work on research projects and to bring them to publication.

Association of Iowa Archaeologists Business Meeting
Secretary - Treasurer's Report
June 7, 2014

Starting Balance 6/01/2013	\$2072.97
Membership Dues Collected	\$ 995.00
Interest	<u>\$ 2.20</u>
Total	\$3070.17

Expenses	
JCC Education Center	\$ 100.00
Business Meeting Expenses	\$ 165.57
Archaeology Month	<u>\$ 600.00</u>
Total	\$ 865.57

CURRENT BALANCE 6/6/2014 \$2204.60

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New Member Application/Consultants List Application/ Notification: The call for new members/consultants list application will be sent out April 1. Applications must be received 30 days prior to the annual business meeting so they can be distributed to members. We have received fellow applications from *Elisha Barnett, Doug Shaver, Keith Young*. We have received one application for the consultants list *Two Rivers Archaeology, LLC*. We have received one application for adjunct status *Sarah Horgan*

Past Dues. The following members owe dues for the past two years (2012-2013 and 2013-2014) and must pay their dues this year to avoid being dropped from the membership.
Joe Artz

The following members still owe dues for (2013-2014)
Joe Artz, Lowell Blikre, Michael Finn, Nurit Finn, Matthew E. Hill, Matthew G. Hill, Adam Meseke, Justin Moe, Lane Shields

Meeting Attendance. The following members must attend the 2013 meeting to avoid being dropped from the membership.
Austin Buhta, Angela Collins, Matthew E. Hill, Sarah Horgen, Kira Kaufmann, Jean Krewson, Ed Lueck, Dave Stanley, Joe Thompson

Members in attendance

Dominique Alhambra

Leslie Ambrosino

Mark Anderson

Joe Artz

Eleisha Barnett

Lowell Blikre

John Cordell

Angela Collins

John Doershuk

Michael Finn

Nurit Finn

Kathy Gourley

Dan Higginbottom

Kira Kaufmann

Bryan Kendall

Jean Krewson

Matthew Hill

Derek Lee

Edward Lueck

Adam Meseke

Wendy Munson Scullin

Mike Perry

Michael Scullin

Jon Sellars

Dave Stanley

Joe Thompson

Bill Whittaker

Randy Withrow

Keith Young