



QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES revised 7-13-2015
Salida, Colorado
April 25, 2015

The Quarterly Board meeting of the Colorado Archaeological Society was called to order by President Jack Warner on April 25, 2015, at 12:35 p.m. at the Salida Community Center in Salida, CO. A motion by Larry Keller and second by David Batten to formally accept, recognize and welcome the newly reorganized Grand Junction CAS Chapter was passed unanimously. Roll call was taken, with a quorum present. Chapters represented were: Chipeta, Colorado Rock Art, Denver, Grand Junction, Hisatsinom, Indian Peaks, Pikes Peak, Pueblo, and San Juan Basin.

MINUTES (KRIS HOLIEN):

Minutes of the January 26, 2015 CAS Quarterly Board Meeting were approved unanimously as written following a motion to approve by Larry Keller and second by Linda Sand.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY (TOM HOFF, written report):

The second quarter has been a rather exciting one. A great deal of my time was spent working with a very enthusiastic group of people from Grand Junction who decided they wanted to form a new CAS Chapter! This group was aware of the former Quahada Chapter, the Grand Junction Chapter that folded in the late 90's. This new startup interest group asked if I had a way of finding members from that old Chapter. I searched our membership and came up with 26 still active in CAS -- most now members of the Chipeta Chapter. Because of our privacy policy, they drafted a letter of intent to found a new Chapter and announcing a public informational meeting. I emailed it out. There was a positive response and as a result, they held three more recruitment meetings - with about seventy attending the second gathering, and 86 attending the third meeting this last week. Long story short: they elected an interim Board led by Doug Van Etten as President. The interim Board included two CAS people most of us know -- former CAS Surveyor Editors, John and Carla Sanborn -- as Membership Co-Chairs. Working closely with Doug to get things in place, I am very impressed by his seemingly endless energy and focus on the goal of Chapter creation. Everything came together on Thursday. I am very pleased to announce that all requirements have been met.

I am proud to announce that we now have a new hard-driving, enthusiastic Chapter that we believe will make a very positive contribution to our Society for years to come. Please welcome Doug Van Etten, President of the new Grand Junction Chapter of the Colorado Archaeology Society, and Robbyn Ferris, their CAS/PAAC Rep. The rest of the quarter was pretty mundane, in comparison.

TREASURER (PRESTON NIESEN, written report): Preston Niesen submitted the Balance Sheet, Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Change in Fund Balance for the first quarter, 2015. Current assets are \$49,774 and liabilities are \$3,000.

OLD BUSINESS:

2015 Budget. The 2015 Proposed Budget prepared by the Treasurer was approved unanimously as written following a motion to approve by Larry Keller and second by Teresa Weedon.

2015 Quarterly & Annual Board Meetings. The meeting schedule for the remainder of the year is July 25 in Dolores and October 9-11 in Durango. The July Quarterly meeting will be held at the Anasazi Heritage Center with field trips on Sunday, July 26. Terri Hoff reported on plans for the Annual Meeting/Conference to be held at Fort Lewis College. Activities will begin Friday afternoon with a gallery reception, dinner, and Quarterly Board meeting. On Saturday will be the conference with lunch included, Annual Board meeting, and evening banquet with Dr. Doug Owsley of the Smithsonian Institution speaking about Kennewick Man. A variety of field trips will be offered on Sunday as well as a PAAC site form workshop and an evening event. Attendees were advised to book lodging soon as there are other events scheduled in Durango for the same holiday weekend (Columbus Day).

Constitution and Bylaws Review.

Per Sharon Murphy, the Committee is on track with the editing of the draft Policies and Procedures documents to have ready for review at the July Quarterly meeting with an electronic draft copy available for review prior to the meeting. Karen Kinnear stressed the importance of reviewing the documents for the content that we (CAS) want.

Membership Categories. Tom Hoff advised that non-conforming current memberships will be grandfathered in this year (2015). All 2016 memberships will conform to specific membership categories as defined in the CAS Constitution.

COMMITTEE/SPECIAL REPORTS:

ALICE HAMILTON SCHOLARSHIP (PHIL WILLIAMS/TERRI HOFF):

Phil Williams announced the 2015 CAS Alice Hamilton Scholarship Award Committee awarded \$7,000 this spring to a field of seventeen Scholars consisting of seven undergraduate students, six Masters Candidates and four PhD Candidates. The Scholars were from six institutions across the state. The Scholarship fund monies are generated by donation and through fund-raising activities at the State and local Chapter levels. \$750 is the maximum award allowed to any one student. Since Scholarship inception in 1987, CAS has awarded \$85,625 in scholarships to 240 students.

The 2015 Alice Hamilton Scholars are:

Jessica Balkin, Doctoral Candidate, University of Colorado, Boulder \$750

For dissertation fieldwork: Funding for expenses during three months survey and laboratory work in Oaxaca, Mexico. This is the final phase of Ms Balkin's research into settlement patterns in the lower Rio Verde Valley.

Sara Cullen, Doctoral Candidate, University of Colorado, Boulder \$650

For dissertation lab work: Partial funding for examination of existing collections from Late Precontact sites in Southeastern Colorado and Northeastern New Mexico. The goal is to make the first broad analysis of trade patterns at relatively small sites in the region.

Rachel Egan, Doctoral Candidate, University of Colorado, Boulder \$700

For dissertation lab work: Partial funding for two Optically Stimulated Luminescence dates from samples collected last year at Tierra Blanca Joven volcano in El Salvador. Its last major eruption has been dated to AD 540 +/- 100 years by radio-carbon dating of buried perishables. It is hoped, that by more precise OSL dating, the eruption can be tied to the AD 536 "year without a summer" world-wide climate disaster.

Pascale Meehan, Doctoral Candidate, University of Colorado, Boulder \$700

For dissertation fieldwork: Partial funding of two months of fieldwork at Zacatepec (Yucu Satuta), Oaxaca, Mexico. The work will consist of full-coverage pedestrian survey and three meter-square test pits. The site is an example of pre-Hispanic colonialism, established by highland Mixtecs in this lowland Amuzgo region.

Jacquelyn Bonavia, Masters Candidate, University of Colorado, Boulder \$475

For thesis fieldwork: Partial funding to document the southwestern pottery collection of Nobel laureate Murray Gell-Mann for its accession by The Museum of N.M. She will also produce guidelines for private collectors to make their collections more attractive for museum acquisition.

Kaitlyn Davis, Masters Candidate, University of Colorado, Boulder \$400

For thesis fieldwork expenses: Partial funding to analyze the artifact collection at Pecos NHP to determine the correlation of ritual pipe smoking with trade activity. Of particular interest is the interaction between Plains groups and the Pueblos of the Northern Rio Grande.

Jones LeFae, Masters Candidate, University of Colorado, Denver \$250

For thesis lab work expenses: Partial funding for analysis of grave goods from the Guachimontón site in Jalisco, Mexico. The goal is to identify gender differences in the quality, quantity, and type of goods, as well as the conditions and placement of the burials.

Halston Meeker, Masters Candidate, Colorado State University, Ft. Collins \$475

For thesis lab work: Partial funding for radiocarbon dating of bone and charcoal samples from Killdeer Canyon and T-W-Diamond sites in Larimer County, Colorado. The goal is to assess the possibility of contemporaneous occupation.

Laura Vernon, Masters Candidate, University of Denver, Denver \$250

For thesis fieldwork: Partial funding for fieldwork at the Industrial Mine Camp in Superior, Colorado. There will be pedestrian survey, GPR and Magnetometer survey, and excavation of selected domestic deposits.

Aaron Whittenburg, Masters Candidate, Colorado State University, Ft. Collins \$400

For thesis lab work: Partial funding for protein residue analysis of lithic artifacts from the Rollins Pass game drive sites, Grand County, Colorado. The goal is to definitively identify the species hunted.

Jesse Bain, Undergraduate, Colorado State University, Ft. Collins \$300

For field school expenses: Partial funding to attend the CSU Archaeology Field School.

Morgan Dreesbach, Undergraduate, Metropolitan State University of Denver \$300

For school expenses: Partial funding toward a graduate certificate in Geographical Information Systems at the University of Denver.

Nicole Fulton, Undergraduate, University of Denver, Denver \$200

For tuition: Partial funding to pay undergraduate tuition at University of Denver.

Christa Jones, Undergraduate, Western State Colo. University, Gunnison \$250

For field school expenses: Partial funding to attend the Western State Colorado University field school in Belize. This will be Ms Jones' second season at the site, and she will hold a junior staff position.

Heather McDonough, Undergraduate, Western State Colo. University, Gunnison \$250

For field school expenses: Partial funding to attend the Western State Colorado University field school in Belize.

Aaron Trumbo, Undergraduate, University of Colorado, Boulder \$325

For travel expenses: Partial funding to attend the SAA meeting in San Francisco to present a poster titled *Experimental Archaeology: Insights from the Construction of an Adobe Room*. This poster follows from a 2014 University of Arizona/Archaeology Southwest field school at Mule Creek, New Mexico.

Lisa Yeager, Undergraduate, Metropolitan State University of Denver \$325

For field school expenses: Partial funding to attend the University of Wyoming undergraduate field school.

Teresa Weedin made a motion for the Board to accept the above named students and their awards; seconded by David Batten. The motion passed unanimously. Terri displayed this year's raffle items: two handmade wooden flutes with decorative wraps and an Acoma seed jar. Raffle tickets will be drawn for three separate prizes. She also displayed a Navajo rug which will be the raffle item for 2016. Fundraising also will include the sale of natural wool colored fleece vests with CAS logo. "Pass the basket" donations at the meeting totaled \$81 for the Alice Hamilton Scholarship Fund.

SCIENCE/ADVISORY (DOUG ROUSE, written report):

First Quarter Report:

CHAPTER	Scientific Survey/ Excavate / Labs	Publications	Curation Issues	Site Stewards	Vandalism/ Compliance	Cross-Org Interactions	Public ED Outreach	Other
Chipeta		1		1		1		
Colo Rock Art								2
Denver	1	1					1	
Grand Junction								
Hisatsinom	3			4			3	
Indian Peaks	1		1	2		1		
Northern Colo								
Pikes Peak								
Pueblo								3
San Juan Basin			1			2	2	
Vermillion								

COMMUNITY OUTREACH and EDUCATION (KAREN KINNEAR, written report):

The Education Committee did not formally meet during the 1st quarter 2015; however, informal discussions were held to explore options for the upcoming year. During the committee meeting held at the quarterly CAS meeting, a lively discussion explored the development of a mission statement to help the committee determine activities to focus on this year and areas we should focus on. Members also talked about the various media we can use to communicate with the public, including presentations to various groups, the use of Meetup, Facebook and other online avenues, and other options. During the third quarter, the committee will work to develop a mission statement, identify key activities to focus on, and look at how to develop relationships with other organizations and local CAS chapters.

The Committee also discussed the development of a speakers bureau, with two parts. One group of speakers would include local CAS chapter members who would be available to go out to CAS chapters and provide information and support for public outreach and education activities. The other group would include archaeologists and other professionals and avocationalists, including CAS members, available to talk about various topics in archaeology. We'll develop this idea further during the upcoming quarter. At the quarterly meeting, CAS members attending the Committee meeting included Pat Williams, Betsy Weitkamp, Linda Sand, Larry Keller, Bob Kilgore, Doug Van Etten, Robbyn Ferris, Tish Varney, Terry Murphy, Jack Warner and Karen Kinnear. Committee members continue to work with individual chapters to explore public education activities and to develop ideas for using the vandalism video championed by Tom Sholes.

PAAC (KEVIN BLACK, written report):

Before State Archaeologist, Rich Wilshusen, could deliver Kevin's report (below), President Jack Warner thanked Rich for all he has done during his tenure to be a very valuable ally to CAS, as an organization and also individually. In appreciation, Jack presented Rich with a card signed by all in attendance, an Amazon gift card and a CAS corn god pin. This presentation was followed by a loud round of applause and a standing ovation for Rich.

Since the January quarterly meeting, a total of seven classes have been completed or are in progress in Boulder, Denver, Dolores, Fountain, Loveland, Montrose, and Pueblo. An eighth course is in progress in Fort Garland, accounting for my absence at the Spring quarterly meeting. I'm happy to report that no courses were cancelled during the quarter. Enrollment in the 1st quarter courses has ranged from eight for the *Field and Laboratory Photography* class in Denver, to 20 for the *Historical Archaeology* course in Pueblo; the resulting average enrollment size is 14 people. I should mention that the bulk of the *Photography* class in Denver is being taught by my colleague at History Colorado, Thomas Carr, who is an accomplished photographer with numerous gallery showings of his work to his credit. I'm even happier to report that four volunteers are receiving PAAC certificates this month, with five certificates total in four different categories being awarded. Kris Holien, our esteemed Recording Secretary from the Indian Peaks chapter, long ago met all but one of the requirements for the Certified Surveyor I certificate. This quarter she finished the last site form for the Provisional Surveyor level, so both certificates are now hers in addition to the PAAC Scholar certificate previously earned. For the past year, Joe Lantz of the Hisatsinom chapter has been patiently awaiting his first certificate, for Laboratory Trainee. This month, the proof of his efforts finally emerged from our printer. Terry Lee of the Pikes Peak chapter could have received two certificates at the January meeting, but has enjoyed the anticipation of being named a Certified Surveyor I recipient in this quarter, with four total certificates now to his credit. Finally, Susan Simons of the Colorado Rock Art and Pueblo chapters has completed her last course for the PAAC Scholar certificate, which is her first. The Scholar label is especially apropos for Susan, who passed the 12 PAAC final exams with an average score of 92.5%. Congratulations to Kris, Joe, Terry, and Susan!

Planning for this year's Summer Training Survey has proceeded at a slower pace than desired, but progress is being made. This year we will be trying something new, partnering with another organization who will take the lead on the inventory. The Ute Trails Project is being directed by the Dominguez Archaeological Research Group of Grand Junction (<http://www.dargnet.org/>). The survey will take place along two historic trail corridors in Eagle County and near the Eagle County-Garfield County line. At the time of this writing, the exact dates for the survey have not been set, but will begin no earlier than June 8 with a late summer session starting on or after August 6 also possible (but not confirmed). General information on the survey program is on the OAHp web site at <http://www.historycolorado.org/oaHP/summer-training-survey>; volunteers interested in surveying this year should contact me **by May 4**. To this point, I have heard from 10 volunteers who wish to participate. Similar to recent years, I may get some help supervising a volunteer crew this season, but the total number of spaces available for PAAC participants will be quite limited due to the nature of this project.

Questionnaires for the next PAAC course schedule covering the last half of this year have been sent to the Local PAAC Coordinators; those requests should be sent to me **by May 22** as I would like to have the new schedule in at least draft form close to the end of May. Related to that process, since this will be the final year of the survey at Pawnee Buttes, the task of writing the technical report on the project is now underway (all of the site forms have been completed). Thus, there will be a cutback in the total number of PAAC courses offered for the next six months or year, starting with a planned six classes, one site form workshop, and six lab dates in January only. Your help and understanding in developing a reduced schedule of classes is requested; I will be discussing the options with the Local PAAC Coordinators in the coming weeks.

Speaking of Local PAAC Coordinators, we have a new position to announce with the revived CAS chapter in Grand Junction. Robbyn Ferris is the latest addition to our team, and her contact information has been added to our web site and the revised list of coordinators available in hard copies. Contact information for a couple of other coordinators has been updated as well.

PUBLICATIONS (LARRY EVANS): Larry noted two new possible Memoir Series publications: The Swallow Site by Bill Hammond, and Utes of Colorado by Steve Baker. *Southwestern Lore* from 1935 through 2014 is now available for purchase on five CD disks. Larry was given a big round of applause for organizing and electronically formatting 80 years worth of *Southwestern Lore*. A complete set costs \$60 plus shipping.

SOUTHWESTERN LORE (JUDI HALASI, written report):

The spring issue of *Southwestern Lore* on the Decadal Index, for Volumes 71-80, 2005-2014 is completed and mailed. The next issue will be a double issue for Summer/Fall on Caches of Colorado, edited by Jason LaBelle and Chris Johnston. There are five additional papers that are being reviewed for future issues.

COLORADO ARCHAEOLOGY (KEVIN BLACK, written report):

In keeping with established tradition for the past couple of years, we received no new manuscripts for the next issue of the *Colorado Archaeology* journal (CA) during the last quarter. However, at the most recent annual meeting of the Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists (CCPA) held last month in Estes Park, discussions were held regarding the possibility of moving the publication toward an on-line format, modeled after the *The Journal of Texas Archaeology and History*. A formal proposal (below) toward that end has been prepared and distributed to CAS leadership, as well as to the CCPA Executive Board. The approval of both organizations is being sought before any further efforts in this direction are expended.

Re: *Colorado Archaeology, A Peer-Reviewed Issue of Southwestern Lore*

After some consideration, we would like to convert *Colorado Archaeology* to an annual digital publication. The proposal is to follow the model set by *The Journal of Texas Archaeology and History*, <http://jtah.org/>. The JTAH guidelines for the digital publication are attached. But to quickly summarize, the journal is published electronically in the format of an annual volume; but each article is published to a web location as it is reviewed and accepted. Each year constitutes a volume, and each article is paginated to follow the previous one already "published." In some years a single article could be the whole volume; other years would be more robust depending on the number of accepted articles.

This sort of approach solves a lot of the problems endemic to an underfunded journal that gets only sporadic contributions. The JTAH electronic journal also makes provision for special publications such as the tribute to Jim Benedict or other themed collections of articles. Finally, there is a provision for ordering print versions of the articles for those who desire to do so.

The goal of the digital conversion is to make *Colorado Archaeology* more regular in its occurrence and less expensive. We would continue to reserve the journal for refereed publications; we don't anticipate any changes to the editorial or content policy. But one advantage of the electronic format is that article length and the number of allowed graphics will become less restrictive in terms of cost. (Article length and graphics would still need to be relevant to the journal's goals).

We are making this proposal now in order to capture some synergy from the "Digital Context" initiative supported by CCPA and being funded by the Colorado State Historical Fund via a grant to Paleocultural Research Group. One of the deliverables under the PCRG grant is a series of 12 articles that will form a part of the approach to keeping the Colorado Prehistoric and Historic Archaeology Contexts current and relevant. As an electronic journal, *Colorado Archaeology* would be an ideal outlet for some of this new content. *Colorado Archaeology* would maintain its own identity, and would publish content not directly related to the updating of the Contexts, but *Colorado Archaeology* would become one of a menu of outlets for the Digital Context.

All articles would continue to be peer reviewed. Context articles will be submitted for review via the editorial board of the Context Committee; articles directly submitted to *Colorado Archaeology* will be reviewed as they have been in the past by professional reviewers recruited by the journal editors.

If the Executive Committees of CAS and CCPA approve of this approach, we will develop a concrete proposal for the web hosting of the journal. We expect the cost to be nominal; far less on an annual basis than the occasional expenditures for publication of *Colorado Archaeology* as a print journal. Respectfully, Kevin D. Black and Michael D. Metcalf, Editors. Craig Banister made a motion to approve this proposal, seconded by Linda Sand, and the motion was passed unanimously.

PUBLICATIONS / SURVEYOR NEWSLETTER (BOB DUNDAS, written report): Deadlines have been set for contributing material for *Surveyor* publication: Spring issue - May 9, Summer issue - August 8, and Fall issue - October 24. Deadlines are 2 weeks after CAS Board meetings. Spring Issue Feature Story is "The Photographers", behind the scenes stories of three prominent photographers of southwestern archaeological sites: Adriel Heisey, Tom Till and Bob Maynard. New to the *Surveyor* is a list of statewide field trips being offered by our chapters.

PUBLICATIONS / WEBSITE (CRAIG BANISTER, written report):

The State CAS website has monthly updates to the Bulletin Board about archaeology events in Colorado. The CAS newsletter, THE SURVEYOR, is posted quarterly on the website and an email announcement is sent out to CAS members. Completed a draft of the updated Membership Form for State CAS, based on forthcoming changes to the State CAS Constitution and Bylaws. I am currently doing monthly updates to the Chipeta Chapter and Vermillion Chapter web pages, which are hosted on the State CAS website. I assisted the Indian Peaks Chapter in moving to a new web host, created a new website for them, and will provide training on how to update the site. I will do the same for the Northern Colorado Chapter in May, whose web host is shutting down on June 1. I have started the design and update of a new CAS Brochure, which will be ready by the next quarterly meeting. The redesign of the State CAS website will take place over this spring and summer. I am investigating the possibility of doing all State CAS and Chapter memberships online, through the State CAS website, to centralize and streamline the process. Printing out a form and sending in a check will continue to be an option, but the information will be entered into the membership software/database.

STATE ARCHAEOLOGIST (RICHARD WILSHUSEN, written report):

I have been your State Archaeologist and Deputy SHPO for Archaeology for almost five years; this has been the best job I have ever had, and also the most challenging. It is time for me to morph back into being an archaeologist rather than a State Archaeologist. I deeply appreciate all that CAS and many of you have done for me, and even more importantly, all you've done for our state's deep and wonderfully complex history. In this last report I want to quickly review where we stand on a number of issues and to mention several challenges.

As the DSHPO for Archaeology I have worked with my colleagues in Intergovernmental Services to negotiate a number of programmatic agreements with federal agencies, the most notable of which were the three undertakings on Fort Carson. Working with our BLM partners we updated the state protocol from 1999, which governs all projects we review for BLM. We've dealt with massive forest fires, the devastation of bark beetles, significant oil and gas drilling, and finally catastrophic floods on Forest Service lands. We are in the midst of negotiating other agreements-such as a landscape level PA for energy development in and around Canyons of the Ancients National Monument. I estimate that we have reviewed and commented on at least 1,500 distinct projects with archaeological elements in my time as a SHPO. As State Archaeologist I have twelve other duties and I will only hit a few highlights of the progress we have made on only a handful of the many things I do.

1. We have made real strides untangling the curation crisis. We met with key museum partners at the CCPA meeting last month to continue designing a long-term regional solution, not a big-curation-facility-in-Denver solution. Collaborative efforts will help to keep our collections regionally focused so that they are accessible, secure and better used by researchers in these regions. Our collections are nothing if they do not continue to educate and amaze us, so curation will remain a critical, but not a crisis, issue. We now have collection submission standards, we have great regional partners, our museum is able to guarantee a fallback solution, if needed, and we have the State Historical Fund to help us. There is untapped potential in our collections, but still much to do.

2. In working with our tribal partners under state burial law and NAGPRA we have reburied over 380 Native American individuals in the last four plus years. There are only 12 individuals in our custody presently awaiting either repatriation or reburial, with half of these individuals being legal confiscations or discoveries from last year where we took custody for security purposes. The remaining culturally unidentifiable Native American remains were given to the museum many years ago, but originated in other states. In these cases we are working with these states and their tribes to rebury these people closer to their homes. Our state reburial process is working effectively, but each year we will likely have a handful of Native American burial discoveries that we can't rebury or protect on-site, so we will continue to have limited yearly reburials on our protected state properties. We have come a long way from the acrimonious debates of 15-25 years ago.

3. As State Archaeologist one of my joys has been working regularly with Ernest House, Jr., the Executive Director of the Commission of Indian Affairs. I have also appreciated the support of our Lt. Governor and Governor, especially when the Governor offered a formal apology for the Sand Creek Massacre. It took 150 years, but I valued the honesty and courage of our governor and four prior governors to issue this apology. It was an honor that History Colorado was able to host a feast for almost 300 Healing Run participants and their families. It's been both humbling and inspiring to work with Superintendent Alexa Roberts, the NPS, and Cheyenne and Arapaho experts on the creation of a park management plan for the massacre site. My job has many facets.

4. One of the great pleasures of this job has been to get to work with Kevin Black- he has been unfailingly supportive and inspiring. He fulfills some of our most significant outreach efforts and has worked with me to clear up a number of historic overdue permits. We are almost within reach of eliminating our remaining past due

permit obligations. Just a handful of cases remain where we have not resolved overdue deliverables, or where we have not yet instituted a successful installment plan to fulfill this deliverables. I am working hard to clear up all but one or two of these cases before I leave at the of May. Considering that we typically grant more than 110 permits a year and we had problem cases dating to over 20 years ago, this is remarkable progress. From our very first case together, dealing with the Snowmastodon site (I'm your state paleontologist by default), Kevin has been an amazing partner.

5. I have learned a great deal from CAS. I have appreciated having PAAC qualified folk available for our preservation and salvage efforts, and I see more of this in the future. Your flexibility has allowed us to bring in new PAAC teachers such as Tom Carr to give Kevin a breather from some of the coursework. This year's partnership on the summer field school works with Dominguez Archaeological Research Group will allow folks to learn to document wickiups and other new features, so I am excited to see how it works. We have to begin to build alternatives that will guide PAAC training into the future. And your annual meetings and their presentations have just gotten better each year!

I will close by describing some challenges where the next State Archaeologist will need your help in the next months. I will also pledge to introduce you to my successor and to key board members over the summer and at the CAS Annual Meeting. I want archaeology, CAS, and my office to thrive in the coming years; I am not going to fade away.

HC/CAS REP (PETER FARIS, written report):

No activity to report from the Archaeology and Historic Preservation Committee and Programs and Exhibits Committee. I am also now on an Exhibits Task Force doing some short range planning and program evaluation.

HISTORY COLORADO PROJECTS (TERRY MURPHY, written report):

This last quarter has been quiet. Two communications have been received from History Colorado (HC). One was the general calendar of events for Archaeology & Historic Preservation Month (APHM) emailed on 4/21/15. The calendar seems to be more user-friendly than in the past. An email was received in March from Alison Salutz (HC Visitor Experience Coordinator) inquiring about partners' interests in programming for July 31 and August 1 events at History Colorado Center. I recently responded asking if there were specific activities that HC might want CAS to provide for the weekend. In the meantime, I would also like to hear CAS ideas of what we as CAS members would like to do and can conceivably "make happen".

MEMBERSHIP (BEV GOERING, written report):

There are 738 memberships with a total of 1,019 members, an increase of 65 members during the first quarter. Unaffiliated members are 81 and unaffiliated memberships are 64. Institutional memberships remain at 63.

AWARDS (MARK OWENS, written report):

The article regarding last year's Ivor Hagar award winner, Mr. Bill Hammond, can be viewed in the current issue of *Southwestern Lore*.

LONG RANGE PLANNING (DICK SUNDSTROM): No report. A get-well card for Dick was signed by all in attendance.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Proposal for new Communications Information Technology committee (B. Dundas): Bob proposed to form a new committee to open new channels, i.e. social media, for distributing public information about CAS, establish a CAS Facebook Page, implement a coordinated effort through all our online activities, investigate how we might establish an online application and payment process for joining CAS. (i.e.: PayPal), investigate how we might sell items online. (i.e.: Southwestern Lore, hats, T-shirts, calendars, etc.), enlist several CAS members as administrators of the website and Facebook page to guarantee security and censure any unwanted posts, and monitor sites that are displaying Colorado Archaeological Society information inappropriately without CAS's permission and bring these sites to the attention of the CAS Executive Board. Bob's motion to form a Communications Information Technology committee was passed unanimously, after a second by Linda Sand, including approval to launch and monitor a CAS Facebook Page. It was determined that this new group would be a designated subcommittee of the Publications Committee. At this time other volunteers to serve on this subcommittee are Craig Banister, Aaron Theis and Teresa Weedon.

2. Design and Update CAS brochure: Craig Banister has started the design and update of a new CAS brochure, which will be ready by the next quarterly meeting.

3. Summary of CAS Presidents Survey (L. Keller): Larry Keller, President Hisatsinom Chapter, discussed the summary of a recent survey he undertook with other CAS Chapter Presidents. He listed 5 recommendations based on the survey results:

1. CAS State Board should consider recommending a uniform policy with regard to Field Trips and multi-Chapter participation.
2. CAS State Board should consider requesting that all Chapters place their newsletters on the main CAS website to facilitate information sharing among Chapters.
3. CAS State Board may want to consider a uniform policy regarding sales of souvenir items by local Chapters to assist with local and state fundraising.
4. CAS State Board should consider ways to help fund local Chapters so that they may better meet their responsibility to have a Chapter President and CAS Representative in attendance at CAS Quarterly Board meetings, when funding is an issue for non-attendance.
5. CAS State Board should consider ways to encourage fundraising by local Chapters; not just for local Chapter benefit, but to support other organizations, both public and private, which benefit Colorado archaeology in their communities and surrounding areas.

There will be a follow-up report provided at the next quarterly board meeting after discussion among Jack Warner and Chapter presidents on these recommendations.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:43 p.m. with unanimous approval following a motion to adjourn by Linda Sand, and second by Teresa Weedon.

Respectfully submitted,
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