



## QUARTERLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES Dolores, Colorado July 25, 2015

The Quarterly Board meeting of the Colorado Archaeological Society was called to order by President Jack Warner on July 25, 2015, at 1:35 p.m. at the Anasazi Heritage Center near Dolores, CO, after welcoming remarks from Marietta Eaton, Manager of Canyon of the Ancients National Monument and the Anasazi Heritage Center. Larry Keller, President of Hisatsinom chapter, introduced the members of the Hisatsinom Executive Board. Roll call was taken, with a quorum present. Chapters represented were: Chipeta, Colorado Rock Art, Denver, Grand Junction, Hisatsinom, Indian Peaks, Northern Colorado, Pikes Peak, Pueblo, and San Juan Basin.

### **MINUTES (KRIS HOLIEN):**

Minutes of the April 26, 2015 CAS Quarterly Board Meeting were approved unanimously as written, with one correction, following a motion to approve by Dick Sundstrom and second by Linda Sand.

**EXECUTIVE SECRETARY (TOM HOFF):** Quiet quarter; nothing to report.

### **TREASURER (PRESTON NIESEN, written report):**

Preston Niesen submitted the Balance Sheet, Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Change in Fund Balance for the second quarter, 2015. Current assets are \$41,014 and liabilities are \$2,500. Thanks to all Chapter Treasurers for filing Form 990-N with the IRS to meet the annual filing requirement for small exempt organizations.

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1. 2015 Annual Meeting/Conference:** Tish Varney reported that all field trips for the upcoming Durango meeting are confirmed
- 2. Constitution and Bylaws Review:** Sharon Murphy explained that any comments to the recently distributed draft documents, Amended and Restated Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws, need to be addressed to the Review Committee in the near future. The Review Committee plans for dissemination of the Final Drafts by August 21. The Final Drafts need to be disseminated at least 30 days before the vote.
- 3. Design and update new CAS brochure:** Craig Banister reported that the brochure is in the design phase and he will have the draft ready for review at the next quarterly board meeting. He also will obtain estimates for printing both in color and in black and white. Craig will send out this information to the CAS Executive Board and Chapter Presidents.
- 4. Recommendations from Summary of CAS Presidents survey:** Larry Keller requested additional time to prepare a written report for the next quarterly board meeting as there had been considerable disagreement on a couple items.

### **COMMITTEE/SPECIAL REPORTS:**

#### **ALICE HAMILTON SCHOLARSHIP (PHIL WILLIAMS/TERRI HOFF):**

Both Phil and Terri were absent from the meeting. Committee member, Dennis Schiferl, reported that the Committee is still advertising for replacements for Terri to handle the raffle sales and the silent auction fund raising. Committee member, Kris Holien, displayed the three 2015 raffle items, 2 hand-carved flutes and Acoma jar. "Pass the hat" donations at the meeting totaled \$64 for the Alice Hamilton Scholarship Fund.

**SCIENCE/ADVISORY (DOUG ROUSE, written report):  
Second Quarter Report:**

CHAPTER	Scientific Survey/ Excavate / Labs	Publications	Curation Issues	Site Stewards	Vandalism/ Compliance	Cross-Org Interactions	Public ED Outreach	Other
Chipeta				1		1		
Colo Rock Art							1	1
Denver	3						3	1
Grand Junction								
Hisatsinom	4	1		4	1	2	3	
Indian Peaks	7			1			2	3
Northern Colo								
Pikes Peak	1							
Pueblo			2			1	2	
San Juan Basin								
Vermillion	1			1				

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

The Education Committee did not formally meet during the 2nd quarter 2015; however, informal discussions were held to explore various activities. During the committee meeting held at the quarterly CAS meeting, the committee briefly discussed development of a mission statement. One purpose of the committee should be to encourage and further the awareness and appreciation of historic and prehistoric archaeology. We should support local chapter efforts, while also providing state-level public education. We will review public education/community outreach activities of other organizations, such as CCPA, AIA and SAA, to gather ideas on specific ways we can provide public outreach and education.

In a discussion on site stewardship, several committee members described a lack of site stewardship activities in their chapters. The issue appeared to be the lack of training available rather than lack of sites to monitor. Forest Service, BLM and other officials/archaeologists have sites available, but often don't have time to train chapter members in how to properly monitor sites. If we can provide training to chapter members, we can more readily help archaeologists monitor sites. One chapter received site stewardship training from an expert in site stewardship from New Mexico. We will explore training options with Holly Norton and Kevin Black, who mentioned that there is a PAAC seminar on site stewardship training. Committee members continue to work with individual chapters to explore public education/outreach activities.

**PAAC (KEVIN BLACK, written report):**

Since the April quarterly meeting, four classes have been completed in Denver, Loveland (both of which involved the final sessions of courses begun in the first quarter), Fort Garland, and Durango; no courses were cancelled during the quarter. Enrollment in the four courses ranged from eight for the *Field and Laboratory Photography* class in Denver, to 24 for the *Basic Site Surveying Techniques* course in Durango. The resulting average enrollment size is 17 people. Just a reminder that the bulk of the *Photography* class in Denver was 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 pleased as always to report that three volunteers are receiving PAAC certificates this month, with four certificates total in three different categories being awarded. All three recipients are receiving their first PAAC certificates. Kate Buckman, from the Indian Peaks chapter, has earned both the Laboratory Trainee and Scholar certificates. Debbie Smith, also of the Indian Peaks chapter, is receiving the Scholar certificate as well. Finally, Eileen Gose of the Pueblo chapter has finished the Specialty Surveyor certificate, in the "Archaeology and Public Education" option. Congratulations to Kate, Debbie, and Eileen!

Planning for this year's Summer Training Survey continues to proceed at a slower pace than desired, but a little news is available. As noted at the last quarterly meeting, the survey will take place along two historic trail corridors in Eagle County and near the Eagle County- Garfield County line. A session in June had been planned but was cancelled for logistical reasons. At the time of this writing, the full schedule for the survey has not been finalized,

but a five-day session beginning August 10 is expected. The deadline for applicants has passed, but I will consider late expressions of interest on a case-by-case basis. Both camping and motel options may be viable, and the target area is east and south of Pisgah Mountain northwest of Eagle. To this point, I have heard from 15 volunteers who wish to participate. General information on the survey program is on the OAHF web site. 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.

The new PAAC schedule covering the last half of this year was posted in early June, in its usual location at <http://www.historycolorado.org/oahp/paac-event-schedule>. However, major changes to the History Colorado web site are in the works, so I'll likely be announcing a new PAAC page URL in the coming months. I have also been hearing of planned changes to the list of Local PAAC Coordinators and will likewise let you know the details as they become available, and at <http://www.historycolorado.org/oahp/local-paac-coordinators>.

One other update to pass along relates to our efforts to publish a pair of articles on subjects with PAAC connections. One will appear in the next double issue of *Southwestern Lore*, the long-anticipated volume on caches of Colorado compiled by Jason LaBelle and Chris Johnston. Co-authored with Susan Simons of the Pueblo and Colorado Rock Art chapters, this article summarizes a scraper cache found north of Maybell in Moffat County during a Denver chapter field trip in the 1970s. The cache ended up in the History Colorado collections as a donation from the estate of Ray Lyons, and was analyzed by volunteers during a PAAC lab training session several years ago. The second item will be in an upcoming *Plains Anthropologist Memoir* that follows from a symposium held in honor of Jim Benedict during the Rocky Mountain Anthropological Conference in Missoula, Montana a few years ago. It will describe the chert and jasper resources of central Colorado, based partly on the results of the Summer Training Survey project at Antelope Gulch in Fremont County. Aaron Theis, formerly with OAHF and a PAAC Survey crew chief, is my co-author. Final revisions have been submitted to the editor and publication is expected late this year or next.

**PUBLICATIONS (LARRY EVANS):** No report.

***SOUTHWESTERN LORE* (JUDI HALASI, written report):**

The double issue of summer/ fall of *Southwestern Lore* on "The Lithic Caches of Colorado" edited by Jason LaBelle and Chris Johnston, is in the publication process. There are five additional papers that are being reviewed for future issues.

***COLORADO ARCHAEOLOGY* (KEVIN BLACK, written report):**

We're sorry to have to report that, once again, we received no new manuscripts for the next issue of the *Colorado Archaeology* journal (*CA*) during the last quarter. The primary news relates to developments that occurred around the time of the last CAS quarterly meeting in late April, regarding the possibility of moving the publication toward an on-line format. At that time, the formal proposal to follow that path was distributed to the leadership both of CAS and the Colorado Council of Professional Archaeologists (CCPA). The approval of both organizations was swiftly received, and further details on the exact process to implement the plan will be developed as new manuscripts arrive.

***SURVEYOR NEWSLETTER* (BOB DUNDAS):**

Deadlines have been set for contributing material for *Surveyor* publication: Summer issue - August 8, and Fall issue-October 24. Deadlines are 2 weeks after CAS Board meetings.

***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 I send out email announcements to CAS members. I updated the State CAS membership page with current information as well as creating and posting an updated Membership Form. I assisted the Northern Colorado 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 have started the design and update of a new CAS Brochure, which will be ready by the Annual Meeting in October.

The redesign of the State CAS website has started and will be complete by the Annual Meeting. In addition to having a modern design and being mobile-friendly, the updated website will allow for the membership database to be managed online in one centralized location and allow for online transactions of State CAS dues or Chapter dues as a payment option. Printing out a Membership Form and sending in a check for membership dues will continue to be an option.

**COMMUNICATIONS and TECHNOLOGY (BOB DUNDAS):**

Bob has launched a CAS Facebook page with 385 users and growing.

**STATE ARCHAEOLOGIST (HOLLY NORTON):**

Recently appointed State Archaeologist, Dr. Holly Norton introduced herself and thanked everyone at the board meeting and in CAS for the heart-warming welcome she had received. She stated she will have a regular report prepared for the next board meeting.

**HISTORY COLORADO / CAS REP (PETER FARIS, written report):**

Two applications of archaeological interest were accepted for grant funding: 1. An acquisition and development grant to the Civil War Preservation Trust to acquire 640 additional acres for the Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site. This grant was approved for \$200,000. 2. An acquisition and development grant to Crow Canyon Archaeological Center for Indian Camp Ranch, a part of their Pueblo Landscapes Project. The amount of this grant was \$199,597. Approximately 15% of the amount that was recommended for funding was granted to archaeologically related projects. The biggest surprise was one application that was turned down after a great deal of discussion: a Mesa Verde Museum Association request for money to perform stabilization and preservation work at Cliff Palace Ruin #2. This request was for \$109,347. They will certainly be eligible to reapply with a better written application and project proposal.

**HISTORY COLORADO PROJECTS (TERRY MURPHY):**

Preparations are underway for CAS participation at the Colorado Day celebration at History Colorado.

**AWARDS (MARK OWENS):**

Tom Hoff made a motion that any future C.T. Hurst Award recipient plus a guest be provided complimentary banquet dinners at the CAS Annual Meeting. Following a second by Linda Sand, the motion passed unanimously. CAS awards information is posted on the state website. Reminder that September 1 is the deadline for Chapter Achievement Award nominations.

**MEMBERSHIP (BEV GOERING, written report):**

There are 730 memberships with a total of 1,027 members. Unaffiliated members are 56 and unaffiliated memberships are 49. Institutional memberships remain at 63.

**LONG RANGE PLANNING (DICK SUNDSTROM, written report):**

At the January Board Meeting, we raised the issue of the cost of publishing and mailing *Southwestern Lore, the Journal of Colorado Archaeology, Official Publication of the Colorado Archaeological Society*. We were especially concerned about the percentage of CAS's annual income allocated to this effort. Since then, we have considered a number of ways in which we might reduce the cost of this quarterly publication while enhancing its reason for being and without altering its quality. We propose the following:

1. Expand the Publications section of the CAS Website to include not only an index to *Southwestern Lore* and abstracts of past articles, but the entire contents of the current issue. If past copies are available in portable document format (PDF), these should be added as well, up to the most recent five-year period. Access to this information should be available to all site visitors at no cost.
2. Continue to offer hard copies, CD copies, CAS Memoir Series and CCPA Colorado Contexts for sale, as at present.
3. Discontinue mailing copies of *Southwestern Lore* to our members. Continue to produce printed copies in sufficient numbers to maintain distribution to Institutions, Life Members and any others deemed appropriate.

In addition to the savings in printing and mailing costs, we see the following benefits to implementing this proposal:

1. Current and back issues will be conveniently available for reading, review and research; no one need maintain a personal library.
2. The keyword search capability will extend to the full text of each issue, not just the abstract, author and title.
3. Our web site will be enhanced. Non-members who visit will see further reason to seek association with our organization.
4. Our commitment to our Mission Statement will be illustrated through articles demonstrating stewardship of archaeological resources, research and conservation. Public education will also be expanded.

The Long Range Planning Committee recommends that this proposal be adopted by the CAS Board and that the necessary steps to its implementation be undertaken. These would include informing our membership of our decision; establishing the necessary link between the *Southwestern Lore* Editor and CAS Webmaster to forward a PDF version of the current issue at the time such information is sent to our publisher.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Chapters hosting future Annual meetings/Conferences:**

After discussion of several locales, a motion by Karen Kinnear, seconded by Tish Varney, was approved unanimously for the following host Chapters: 2016 – Grand Junction, 2017 – Denver, and 2018 – Cortez.

2. **Discuss moving to an online membership signup and renewal for all CAS members hosted through the State CAS website:**

After much discussion, the following motion by Craig Banister, and second by Larry Keller, was approved unanimously: The Communications and Technology Committee (CATC) shall investigate and report back at the Quarterly Meeting in Durango, options for accomplishing the following: (1) online membership database for CAS, (2) online applications for CAS membership and renewals, (3) online store for CAS merchandise, and (4) speaker database to be used by Chapter Officers as a resource for monthly meeting scheduling. The Committee shall make suggestions as to the implementation of this goal as it relates to the CAS website and Facebook page.

3. **El Pueblo Collection:**

Holly Norton explained that City of Pueblo officials are working on a Master Plan for the EL Pueblo History Museum located in downtown Pueblo. There are approximately 96 boxes of artifacts from El Pueblo excavation that will need to be properly curated and cataloged in the future, possibly with CAS assistance. More information will be available at the next board meeting.

4. **Nominating Committee for 2016 CAS officers:**

Chair Tom Hoff with members Jack Warner and Linda Seyfert.

5. **Colorado Rock Art Association:**

Teresa Weedon announced that CRAA would be hosting a symposium in Alamosa on Saturday, September 19.

President Jack Warner thanked the Hisatsinom Chapter for hosting the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 4:12 p.m. with unanimous approval following a motion to adjourn by Dennis Schiferl, and second by Wendy Schiferl.

Respectfully submitted,

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