

Wisconsin Archeological Society
June 2019 Board Meeting
June 8, 2019, 10:00 am
Edge Consulting Engineers, Prairie du Sac

Total board members present: 8

Quorum Met

Meeting called to order at 10:12 am by President George Christiansen

Attendance:

- Jake Rieb
- George Christiansen
- Kat Sterner
- Amy Rosebrough
- Rob Nurre
- Cindi Stiles
- Seth Schneider
- Dan Joyce

II. Approve March 2019 Meeting Minutes

- *Seth motioned to accept the March 2019 meeting minutes, Cindi seconded, approved by the Board.*

III. Satterlee Clark Post-Mortem

- 51 participants
- 13 new memberships
- Things to add going forward
 - o Funnel people through a verbal introduction before they excavate
 - o Have a lab night at UWM for processing the artifacts
 - o Passport checklist for different activities within the event
 - o Have an exhibit with artifacts and poster for information on previous investigations
 - o Organize volunteer labor more specifically
 - o Have volunteers there earlier to remove sod, etc.
 - o Encourage people to pre-register to guarantee a spot in the excavations
 - o Reach out to the Rock River archaeology group in Horicon (and other affiliates)
 - o Donation jar
 - o Try to spread word to local media outlets
- *Cindi motioned to add this event as a line item to the budget, seconded by Seth, approved by the Board.*

IV. Ryan Howell's proposal for Agency House in Portage

- We need to come up with criteria for evaluating proposals and determination of how events will further the mission of the Society
- Form a sub-committee of the Awards Committee
 - o Dan Joyce, Cindi Stiles, Amy Rosebrough
 - o Discuss modification of the WASRA to include field projects.
- We do not have a mechanism for granting this type of award at this time.

V. Compendium of Wisconsin Archaeology

- Seth and Kat will be the chairs of this project
- Break the prospectus down into the two projects
 - o Professional
 - o General public
- Keep the Board looped in – by August 3rd meeting
 - o Sub-committee selected
 - o Prospectuses
 - o Timeline

VI. Man Mound Feet Lease

- \$1000 up front and \$200 a year for 10 years
- *Seth motioned that Rob Nurre approach the Weirichs with the existing lease and provide them with the option that the Society purchase the land outright, seconded by Dan, approved by the Board.*

VII. Fall General Meeting – Silver Mound

- Rob contacted the KOA owners and they are amenable
- Rob contacted the Archaeological Conservancy and they were also amenable
- We need to explicitly request indoor facilities
- October 19th 10:00-4:00 with additional evening programming for campers (?)
- George will contact Jeff Behm and Ernie Boszhardt about giving tours
- Cindi will talk to Bill Quackenbush to see how/if the Ho-Chunk would like to be involved
 - o Food vendors?
- Dan will contact Geri Schraub about coming to talk about rock art/sell product

VIII. Membership

- Brochure
 - o Completed by end of June
 - o Printed by August board meeting
 - o Board members will each produce a list of institutions/organizations and events for brochure distribution
 - Kat will compile these lists
- Produce a Survey Monkey Survey for members/prospective members
 - o Put the link in an email to the membership but ALSO make available to non-members through social media platforms
 - o Look at the questions from Ernie's original survey
 - Add to these
 - Amy Rosebrough and Cindi Stiles
 - o Consider using Doodle for a long term survey about interest/satisfaction/suggestions, etc.
 - o Amy suggested another survey about people's general knowledge about Wisconsin prehistory
- Jake will explore SquareSpace and see what our options are for generating a members-only area and membership emailing/auto-renewal notices
- Jake will send another renewal notice via email with the journal cover/TOC after it comes out AND with a members-only incentive for Silver Mound

IX. Regional Program

- Tabled until August 3 meeting
 - o See if John Broihahn would be willing to attend
 - o Have the meeting at Lakeview Park in Madison
 - Call to reserve shelter

X. Archaeology Month

- Amy said that all the events she was aware of were successful
- We could stand to do more web outreach
- Cindi suggested a members-only tour/event

XII. MAC Donation

- We will not donate to the conference when it is outside of Wisconsin but we will host a table there

XIII. Policies and Procedures Document

- Seth will be working on that before the next board meeting
 - o It needs to be compiled

IX. Elections in October

- One office (Treasurer) and two board member positions coming available

Meeting adjourned by George Christiansen at 1:48 pm.