Fall 2011 WAPA Minutes—Laramie, WY, September 22, 2011

Lynn Harrell called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. The Fall 2011 meeting was a very short business meeting followed by a ceramics discussion.

Spring 2011 Minutes—Russell Richard asked to have the minutes amended with his name corrected. The spring 2011 minutes were accepted as amended.

New WAPA board member Kierson Crume was introduced. Kierson replaces Rory Becker as Member at Large.

Treasurer's Report (presented by John Laughlin):

Wyoming Association of Professional Archaeologists Treasurer's Report 9/22/11:

As of 9/21/2011 the WAPA checking account had \$1866.89 in funds. Of this, \$215.58 belongs to the BLMS's Project Archaeology thus making the WAPA checking balance \$1651.31. The Putnam account has lost \$932.97 this quarter, thus leaving a balance of \$12725.22. Expenditures since the spring meeting total \$720.78 and consist of:

\$100-Awarded to Kaitlyn Hodson for her presentation during Wyoming History Day \$250-Wyoming Archaeological Foundation for the Jensen Travel Award \$306-Sheridan/Johnson Counties Chapter of WAS for spring meeting expenses \$64.78-Wyoming Archaeological Society for website renewal

Joe Daniele reported that WAPA had three new members.

New Business:

- 1. Julie Francis brought forth the suggestion that a donation in memory of June Frison to the Alzheimer's Society of Wyoming be made by WAPA. Danny Walker notified the membership that the Wyoming Dementia Association is actually handling all donations. Julie made a motion and Danny seconded, to have WAPA donate. The members decided on the amount of \$100.
- 2. Julie Francis gave the membership information about the field trip to the Lindmeir site on the morning of Friday, September 23, 2011. Participants were to meet at 8:00 am at the WYDOT District Office in Laramie to car pool to the entrance gate of Soap Stone Prairie. Jason LaBelle was on hand for a tour of the site in the morning. Members were encouraged to bring sunscreen, water, and a lunch.
- New BLM staff introductions: Karina Black, Cody Field Office Seasonal Archaeologist; Kathy Miller, WYSO BLM/SHPO Liaison
- 4. Kathy Miller brought some BLM publications from the BLM state office to the meeting for anyone interested.
- 5. Lynn Harrell provided an update on Ed Jess. His recovery is progressing well and a get well card was passed.

- 6. Spring 2012 Meeting—will coincide with the spring WAS meeting in Gillette in April. The Newcastle and Gillette WAS chapters are co-hosting the WAS meeting. A possible field trip to the Pumpkin Buttes was discussed.
- 7. Fall 2012 Meeting—will be planned to coincide with the Mountain Man Meeting in Pinedale.
- 8. Mary Hopkins—May 17, 18, and 19, 2012, in Pinedale at the Sublette County Public Library is the Preservation Conference, featuring Landscape discussions. October 6-8, 2011 is the Convergence Conference in Cody, Wyoming.
- 9. The Wyoming State Historical Society may also have an annual meeting in September 2012 in Pinedale in conjunction with the Mountain Man Meeting.
- 10. RMAC is October 6-8th in Missoula, Montana.
- 11. Plains Conference is in Late October in Tuscan, AZ.

Pottery Discussion, to be continued at the Spring 2012 Meeting in Gillette, produced the following items:

- 1. WAPA website (John Laughlin)—more information will be posted. Jana Pastor will help John with this task, and Mark Miller will provide a literature review to be posted.
- 2. Mary Hopkins—WYCRO/SHPO could hire a student intern to look at and organize the pottery information currently available in the WYCRO database. Is it possible for WAPA to contribute to this? For the Spring 2012 meeting, a discussion of this, a scope of work, task list, etc., will be discussed. It was also suggested that Dr. Reher be involved with this task and with finding the right student for this job.
- 3. Partnering with the Frison Institute—Jud Finley has done some work on clay sourcing. Danny will find UWAR's preliminary report and ask Jud if it can be posted on the WAPA website. It was suggested that WAPA talk to Dr. Kelly about this project as well.
- 4. Spring 2012 topic of discussion will be Ceramics phase 2. An effort will be made to get a ceramics expert at the meeting to lead discussions. Richard Currit suggested a field trip to the Pumpkin Buttes in the AM and the meeting in the PM. Bill Eckerle pointed out that April weather may prevent a Buttes trip.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted 10/7/2011, Ardy Hahn

Attendance List:

Paul Sanders
Carmen Clayton
Judy Wolf
Richard Currit
Debbie Braithwaite
Jana Pastor
Stacy Goodrick
Karina Black
Patrick Walker

Mary Hopkins

Scotty McKern

Mike Frankus

David Wolfe

Meaghan Searle

Russell Richard

Nathan Fleming

James A. Lowe

Ashley Rooney

Steve Sutter

Gale Brow

Chris Young

Shanna Cox

Ross Hilman

Julie Francis

James Potter

Danny Walker

Marty Rogers

Cher Burgess

Joe Wheeler

Mark E. Miller

Sara Needles

Kathy Miller

Thomas Witt

John Kennedy

Molly Westby

Dwight Hicks

Lynn Harrell

Joseph Daniele

John P. Laughlin

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