

**Wyoming Association of Professional Archaeologists  
Minutes (Unapproved) of the Spring Meeting, May 6, 2016  
Little America Resort, Cheyenne, Wyoming**

The meeting is called to order at 1:15 pm.

**Minutes**

- On Julie Francis' motion and seconded by Mike Page, reading of the Fall 2015 meeting minutes is waived.
- On Judy Wolf's motion and seconded by Paul Sanders, the minutes are approved.

**Old Business**

- The effort to change the bylaws has been unsuccessful to this point.

**New Business**

Membership and Treasurer's Report, Jody Clauter

- As of May 4, 2016, the Putnam account has \$12,205.27, and the WAPA bank account has \$4145.19.
- Expenditures since the last meeting include:
  - A) Membership dues mailings and supplies: \$149.88
  - B) Wyoming Archaeology Awareness Month contribution: \$200.00
  - C) Support for Cassidee Thornhill thesis research – isotope analysis: \$600.00
  - D) Support for Chris Rowe thesis research – public outreach events: \$385.00
  - E) Support for the WAS Spring meeting speaker: \$500.00
  - F) Payment for the Wagner registration to the WAS Spring Meeting: \$130.00
  - G) Wyoming History Day Award to Fiachra Rottinghaus for her Senior paper on NAGPRA and Museums: \$100.00
  - H) Travel Award winners: \$500 (\$100 each to Morgan Robins, Ashley Harris, Nelson White III, Sean Carroll, and Cassidee Thornhill)
    - Jody filed the WAPA 990 e-postcard to the IRS in April to keep our tax exempt status
    - WAPA currently has 163 members
      - A) 132 members (81%) have paid their 2016 dues
      - B) 31 members (19%) have not paid their 2016 dues

President's Report, Marcia Peterson

- Thirty days from now, we will be sending letters of revocation for 2015 lapsed membership.
- We have seven applications for membership. These will be reviewed by the Membership and Ethics Committee following the meeting, with Greg Pierce, Kelly Pool, Matt Landt, Chris Arthur, and Julie Francis appointed as committee members for this meeting.
- WAPA has funding available; email Marcia if you're interested.
- Moneta Divide PA is dormant and is delayed until July, so there is no update since the fall meeting.

Archaeology Fair, Greg Pierce

- Greg thanks all for their donations to last fall's Archaeology Fair in Laramie. Over one thousand people attended, and over 40 volunteers took part. WAPA is asked to support the Fair again this year with a donation of \$500. On Julie Francis' motion and seconded by Mike Page, WAPA will donate \$500 to the Archaeology Fair this year.

Council of Councils, Kelly Pool

- Kelly reports on the Council of State Councils meeting at the SAA meeting in Orlando, Florida. She and Mike Bies served as WAPA representatives.

SAA Repatriation Committee, Dave Vlcek

- As a member of the SAA Repatriation Committee, Dave presents recent news regarding Kennewick Man and the La Jolla remains. Also, the SAA survey is done and reported; check their website for details.

Archaeological Conservancy and Legend Rock, Mike Bies

- The Archaeological Conservancy acquired land near Legend Rock following negotiations with landowners Richard and Addie Wagner. This donation is covered in the spring issue of *American Archaeology* magazine. The Wagners will receive a 3D plaque at the Banquet tomorrow night, and Marcia will send a photo of the Wagners at the plaque presentation to the Casper paper. The balance remaining for plaque manufacture is \$1673. On Mike Page’s motion and seconded by Chris Arthur, WAPA will donate \$800 for the 3D plaque, the creation of which was facilitated by Mike Bies. Chris Arthur moves that WAPA give a big “thank you” to Mike Bies for his work on the Wagner’s plaque and the land donation. Marcia seconds the motion, and the motion is approved. Thank you, Mike, for your dedication to this project!

Changing the By-laws, Marcia Peterson

- We will try to amend the by-laws again. We have 163 existing and seven potential new members: please vote.

Newsletter, Marcia Peterson

- The by-laws state that we shall produce a newsletter and that we shall elect an editor. On Carmen Clayton’s motion and seconded by Chris Arthur, WAPA will use the listserv as its newsletter.

Officer Nominations, Marcia Peterson

- We have a list of nine members who have indicated they would be willing to serve as WAPA officers, including Jason Bogstie, Rachael Shimek, Richard Currit, Naomi Ollie, Michael Oberndorf, Dwight Hicks, Mike Bies, Ken Cannon, and Larry Lahren. It is suggested that these members be contacted. No one volunteers or is nominated from the floor, but current officers Matt Landt, Dave Vlcek, and Kelly Pool volunteer to serve again.

**Contractor Reports**

- Reports are presented by Casey Dukeman for Alpine Archaeological Consultants; Kayla Bradshaw for SWCA; Russell Richards for TRC; and Mike Page for OWSA.

**Announcements**

- A thank you letter from the Archaeology Fair organizers to WAPA is read.
- The Book Award Committee for the student paper award will meet and consists of Russell Richard, Patrick Walker, and Julie Francis. The award is a signed copy of *Survival by Hunting*.
- Fall WAPA meeting will be held Friday, September 9, 2016, at the Territorial Prison Park in Laramie.
- The Archaeology Fair will be held at that park on Saturday, September 10, 2016.
- Sublette County will be featured in a television program on Indian trails.
- For Wyoming’s celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the NHPA, a video was made about Trappers Point. It will be aired on PBS, with the times announced on the listserv.

The meeting is adjourned at 2:15, following a motion by Mike Page and a second by Chris Arthur.

**Meeting Attendees**

Paul Sanders	John Scott	Marit Bovee	Kayla Bradshaw	Craig Lee
Allison Parrish	Kelly Pool	Lance McNees	Carolyn Buff	Ken Humphrey
Carmen Clayton	Michael Page	Judy Wolf	Joe Daniele	Danny Walker
William Scoggin	Julie Francis	Steve Sutter	John Laughlin	Dan Bach
Russell Richard	Chris Arthur	Mary Hopkins	Brian Waitkus	Marty Rogers
Kierson Crume	Denise Tugman	Shane McCreary	Jim Brechtel	Richard Currit
Josh Boyd	Patrick Walker	Bill Eckerle	Casey Dukeman	John Schubert
Jesse Boyd	Natasha Keierleber	Zach Garhart	Jason Bogstie	Mike Bies
Matt Landt	Dave Vlcek	Marcia Peterson	Jody Clauter	Greg Pierce