

**North Carolina Archaeological Society
Board of Directors Meeting
May 18, 2002, 9:00 a.m.
Wilson, NC**

Attendance: Ken Suggs, Tom Beaman, Linda Carnes-McNaughton, Shane Petersen, John Hildebrand, Steve Davis, Terri Russ, and Jane Eastman. Guests included Tom Padgett and Charlie Ewen.

Ken called the meeting to order at 9:20 a.m. Copies of the minutes from the previous meeting were distributed. After a brief review and one correction (title), a motion was made by John to accept the minutes. It was then seconded by Tom and the motion carried.

Old Business:

In Bill's absence, copies of the treasurer's report for the calendar year of 2002 were distributed by the secretary. After a brief review Tom noted that membership is down by about 30 people from the previous reporting (from 407 to 374). He suggested that maybe a graph plot of the membership for the past 10 years to determine if there is a pattern to increase or decrease. It was also noted that lifetime members only pay once and that would not fluctuate. Following discussion, Steve motioned to accept the treasurer's report and Tom seconded. The motioned carried after the vote.

Steve then presented the editor's report. He has begun to receive papers for the next issue and the newsletter. He discussed his commitment to put back issues on NCAS web page and the first 5 volumes are now being done at no cost to the NCAS. All of these issues are out of print, but will soon be available from the web page link. He also suggested that the board be thinking of ways to divest itself of various back issues. One suggestion is to have a sale of back issues at cut-rate and put the proceeds into the Endowment Fund (rather than into the General Fund). This way, we could advertise that if you are buying a back issue you are simultaneously supporting the endowment. Steve's motion, to put all proceeds from back issues sales into the Endowment Fund was then seconded by Jane and approved by all.

Steve reported briefly for the EAC just to state that this year's recipient, UNC-CH graduate student, Tony Boudreaux was making progress on his study of defining the Town Creek chronology. LCM verified that she had shared archaeological reports of the non-mound testing projects (1991-2001) at Town Creek with Tony for his research.

New Business:

Charlie Ewen presented a proposal submitted by Mark Mathis (of OSA) and himself to assist in the sponsorship of a unique web page known as the Algonquin Website, organized by John McGowan. Mark and Charlie's proposal pointed out that McGowan's research and web page provide a special service to researchers in eastern North Carolina

and around the Southeastern US. Their proposal was to ask the NCAS board if this individual can be considered for an EAC grant in the immediate future. It was pointed out, however, that McGowan is not a Society member and thus would not qualify under the current, accepted guidelines for applicants/recipients. Steve also pointed out that the EAC guidelines are intended to be competitive in nature and should be followed. Charlie mentioned that Mark has offered to provide server space through the State Office of Archaeology. And Charlie thinks he can get him some support (for equipment?) through his ECU connections. The board agreed McGowan needs to become a NCAS member and Charlie offered to be his sponsor and pay his membership dues. Steve (with the RLA) offered to assist McGowan with scanning his slides for a web page format with no cost to the NCAS. Further discussion centered around content, access, and copyright of the materials to be put on this web page. Steve agreed to check with Mark Mathis about this request and report back to the board for any additional action.

Terri reported on the results of the new Elections Committee. She distributed copies of a memo from Ken Robinson, head of the Elections Committee (see attached). A final slate of candidates will be made available soon and will be printed in the next newsletter for a fall election.

LCM reported that the NCAS and the OSA has agreed to jointly sponsor this year's state fair exhibit (rather than seeking a corporate sponsor). John Mintz with the OSA is the guest curator this time and will prepare a special exhibit on prehistoric projectile point identification and chronology. He may also do a small poster in tandem with the exhibit to sell at the booth. Additional details for this exhibit will be forthcoming. Dee is accepting names for volunteers to staff the booth.

LCM then reported on her inquiries about a proposed bus trip to the South Carolina Archaeological Society's Fall Festival Day. The date of the event is Saturday, October 12, 2002 and the venue is Columbia, South Carolina. Plans are to leave the OSA parking lot in Raleigh at 7:00 a.m. or so and travel to the festival on a tour bus. The board and business meeting will take place on the bus and a special speaker will give a lecture on some aspect of South Carolina archaeology. So far, three cost estimates range from \$1178 to \$1200. If the NCAS provides \$500 support (the cost per meeting previously accepted by the NCAS board), then the individual cost per person would range from \$10 to \$15 roundtrip. The board agreed this was still a bargain for so much fun. Everyone will bring his or her own lunch and eat on the bus or picnic at the event. LCM is checking on any additional costs for entrance to the festival. A minimum of 40 reservations was suggested. And we will advertise in the spring and fall newsletters. Steve motioned to accept the bus trip proposal with the set fee of \$15 per person and pending a pre-registration of 40 people. John seconded the motion and all approved.

Having concluded most of the main items on the agenda and time for the general business meeting to convene, a motion was made by Jane to adjourn at 10:00. Terri seconded and the meeting was concluded.

These minutes respectfully submitted by,

Linda F. Carnes-McNaughton, Ph.D.
Secretary, NCAS