

**North Carolina Archaeological Society
Board of Directors Meeting
May 22, 2004, 9:00 a.m.
Guilford Courthouse National Military Park, Greensboro, NC**

Attendance: Linda Carnes-McNaughton, Linda Stine, Bill Covington, Archie Smith, and Steve Davis (not a quorum). Terri Russ arrived late and appropriate votes were taken.

As the president was not present, the president-elect, Bill Covington, called the BOD meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

The secretary distributed minutes for the February 8, 2004 meeting and the agenda. LCM provided an update on the total earned from the SEAC table (memo from Dee, total given as \$332.50) to add to the previous treasurer's report.

Old Business:

After Terri Russ arrived, the minutes were received. Terri noted that the spelling of her name needed to be corrected, and a random apostrophe needed deletion. Terri motioned to accept the minutes (with corrections) and Bill seconded the motion. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote. There was follow up discussion about putting the most current minutes in a special folder on the NCAS web page with a special URL access for the board members. Steve and Linda will look into doing this in the future. LCM will email out the minutes to board members prior to each meeting, and with the financial statement if provided ahead of time.

Next, the president-elect asked for the treasurer's report. The secretary responded none had been received, so no financial statement was available for review.

Next, Steve was asked to give the editor's report. He stated there were no new submissions for the next issue, but thinks a few will come in before the fall. LCM commented that the newly formatted newsletter was a big improvement. Linda Stine commented that the bio section was very good as well. Bill Covington mentioned that the next newsletter bio would feature Joe Mountjoy from UNC-G. He plans to do one on Loretta Lautzenhauser next.

Steve continued with the editor's report to elaborate on the steady increase of printer costs, from \$1600 for the last issue to approximately \$2700. This past time he was able to get the UNC Print Shop to drop the cost a bit. He is shopping around for a good, reasonable printer. He indicated that perfect binding (the preferred method currently in use) is hard to find for cheap, but he'll continue his search. One suggestion he made is to reduce the quantity we print per issue. He also foresees the demand decreasing, as past issues will go on-line after a five-year interval.

LCM reported that there was no EAC award issued for this annual cycle due to a general lack of suitable applications. The co-chairs of the EAC agreed to redouble their efforts for the next cycle to find a recipient for the \$1000 award.

New Business:

Bill Covington mentioned that several members have expressed an interest in reducing the number of membership meetings per year from two to one. He would like to revisit this topic when we have more board members in attendance. Steve commented that by comparison South Carolina's archaeological society hosts an annual meeting, but also that their state is not as large and so spread out as North Carolina, so part of it is a distance issue as well as attendance. Bill recommended that we table discussion (re: annual meetings schedule) for now.

That said, LCM proposed a special location and event for the fall meeting. She agreed to host the meeting at the North Carolina Pottery Center in tandem with the opening of a special archaeological exhibit on the kiln site at Santa Elena, scheduled for Saturday, October 2. The agenda would include a guest lecture by Dr. Chester DePratter, and free admission to the NCPC. The outdoor grounds could be devoted to activities such as prehistoric pottery i.d. tables, replication of prehistoric pottery making and firing, firing of the wood-fire kiln, Native American potters (Catawba, Cherokee) making pots and demonstrations. Details will need to be worked out re: the lunch arrangements and lining up volunteers. But it would be ALL DAY-POTTERY DAY. There will be no Friday night reception offered. Steve motion for the board to accept LCM's offer and after a second by Linda Stine, the motion was voted and accepted in place.

Stine initiated discussion for the poor response on hosting Friday night receptions for this meeting and others in general. Some discussion followed to indicate that the more distant meetings appear to have the best attendance for the Friday night receptions and the ones located closer to the center of the state have the least attendance. The board agreed to let each host decide on a case-by-case basis if they wished to pursue organizing a reception.

Tom was not present to offer give us an update of the Grants and Awards Committee (to be reinstated following the 1993 creation) and/or candidates for the Douglas Rights Award.

Bill presented an update of his library brochure distribution project. So far he has contacted 20 libraries that have agreed to display the NCAS brochures. He plan is to visit one library per week in order to leave brochures at each stop. He will solicit help from other NCAS members and other venues.

Terri moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:00 a.m. Steve seconded and having no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned.

These minutes respectfully submitted by,

Dr. Linda F. Carnes-McNaughton
Secretary, NCAS