

**North Carolina Archaeological Society  
Board of Directors Meeting  
May 22, 2011, 1:30 p.m.  
Research Laboratories of Archaeology, Chapel Hill**

Attendance: Linda Carnes-McNaughton, Bill Conen, Theresa McReynolds, Tony Boudreaux, Steve Davis, and Tommy Stine (Quorum is 6).  
Guests: Hannah and Jeff Jones

Absent: Archie Smith, Clay Swindell, Fritz Farrow, Joel Hardison, Dee Nelms, and Kevin Donald

Stine called meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. and welcomed our guests to the meeting, who were introduced by McReynolds.

**Old Business:**

First order of business was a review of the BOD meeting minutes from January 20, 2011. After a brief discussion, Davis moved to accept the minutes; seconded by Conen. Minutes were approved by vote. Minor corrections will be completed by the secretary and then sent to Davis for webpage archives. One correction involved the EAC Whitey Graham Award which was offered to Melinda Seaman during the end of the 2010 cycle and did not make it into the January minutes. The cost of this award was also reflected in the treasurer's report for the cycle. The correction stated that the EAC took a bye in 2010, but in reality they did not. Minutes were corrected to document this award. More discussion on this follows under the EAC report.

Conen then distributed the quarterly financial report for review. At present the Income is outpacing the Expenses, and membership continues to decline; now at 269. There was some discussion re: the payouts for back-to-back EAC awards, which may be overtaking the money made on the endowment. Part of this is because we changed the award cycle this past year from fall to spring, so essentially two awards were issued during this cycle. It was suggested that the EAC take a bye for 2012 in order for the fund to recover. Boudreaux moved to accept the treasurer's report, which was seconded by Davis and passed by vote by the BOD present.

Davis presented the editor's report. He stated that the next issue will be a good one, featuring one article on North Carolina redware kilns (promised from LCM) and one on water-powered mills. He may also include an article by Whyte on faunal remains. If he still has space, he may fill in with an article from an out-of-print issue.

Davis reported that the CoAS is now linked to the NCAS webpage, or vice-versa. This provides our membership with access to the CoAS newsletter and vice-versa. LCM reported that our annual membership (\$34) was submitted for the 2011 fee. Unfortunately no one from our NCAS was present at the annual SAA meeting in April to staff the CoAS for us.

LCM reported for the EAC co-chairs, Daniel and Moore, and introduced the spring 2011 EAC Whitey Graham Award winner. His name is Daryl Armour, and he is an ECU student doing work on Town Creek collections, under the supervision of Boudreaux. It was pointed out that Melinda and Daryl will both be required to either do a presentation at a NCAS meeting and/or prepare an article for publication in the journal/newsletter on their research and award funding. The BOD will let the EAC know if they need to take a bye for 2012 to let the fund recover.

Davis reported on the webpage status and efforts to market our stock on the internet. He has photographed all items that the NCAS sells, but these have not yet been put into an online catalog. He will try to create this catalog before the next board meeting. All orders from the online catalog will be directed to Dee Nelms at the OSA office. He will check with Nelms to assess the current stock and possible reorder of other sizes and supplies. The BOD also asked if we could consider another competition to come up with new t-shirt designs and colors. It was recommended that we try to sell old stock first to clean out storage bins; maybe have a special sale on old stock at the fall event.

Davis read the email from Swindell to update the BOD on the Currituck exhibit plans. Information is not yet ready for the board to review. It will consist of four panels with text and images of the site, along with a small brochure/handout. The \$2500 for this public outreach project is currently in a subaccount and tagged as such. He hopes to send the text out for the board's review in the near future.

### **New Business:**

McReynolds introduced Hannah Jones and her father, Jeff Jones, to discuss the upcoming fall meeting. She is a 5<sup>th</sup> grader from Durham Academy and very interested in archaeology. Hannah read from her prepared letter addressed to the NCAS (see attached) to present her Independent Science Project to launch an Archaeology Day. Her proposal for this meeting included a theme, potential funding and suggested activities. Jordan Lake was recommended as the venue since the NCAS had been approached by a park ranger recently to explore this partnership in tandem with their Heritage Day. There was a confirmation that car fees would be waived to allow everyone greater access. The date of Saturday, October 1, start of Archaeology Month, was selected. It was noted that parking will be ample and visitors can attend both archaeological and heritage day together. Hannah asked the NCAS for sponsorship of this event. She plans to head up the Junior Archaeologist program and get her classmates involved. The event would be a one-day show, about 4 hours long, beginning at 10:00 a.m. McReynolds recommended that state archaeologists, agencies and CRM firms be invited to attend and do exhibits or activities. She will work with the park ranger to figure out lunch options. LCM mentioned that the NCAS is allowed by the bylaws to fund up to \$750 for our fall meeting. The formal announcement for the fall event will appear in the August 31<sup>st</sup> summer newsletter. Conen and McReynolds will check out the venue on Jordan Lake called White Oak picnic area. They will send out a map in the newsletter. The shelter holds about 60 tables and accommodates about 500 people, so space is ample for both events. Final details will be

discussed at the August BOD meeting. Conen moved to approve this venue and event. Davis seconded it and the BOD passed it unanimously and thanked Hannah and her father for attending today's meeting.

LCM read Farrow's email re: PayPal options for the NCAS. The cost balances out to about 30 cents if nothing sells. Rates are based on amount of stock sold. The NCAS will still have to pay for shipping on items sold. The BOD decided that the two people this would most impact would be Nelms and Conen and they needed to participate in this discussion if it were to be a serious consideration. Someone asked if membership dues can be handled on this system? Boudreaux mentioned that SEAC currently does its membership renewal using PayPal. The BOD concluded it would be easy and useful but we must ask our money managers if they will accept it. We thanked Farrow for submitting the data for review and will ask Nelms and Conen to look into it for its utility. LCM raised questions about the webpage domain issue since we do not have a private email for our business, and how will that work? Will it work for Cultural Resources to host such a thing? If the webpage is at a University how will the billing work if the money goes to a DCR? Many questions remain to be answered.

In Hardison's absence, another proposal was read for BOD review and approval. Davis summarized the proposal put forward by Hardison representing the Uwharrie/Croatan National Forest. One note described a sign design contest hosted by the NPS and asking for NCAS to support this event by distributing the announcement through the newsletter. The second item appeared to be a request to use the NCAS letterhead (in tandem with the Office of State Archaeology) for the same announcement to go to regional school systems. Prizes for the design award winners were also included in the announcement, along with age categories of the applicants, and the "Pieces of the Past" theme. The draft announcement letter also included a submittal date of September 30, 2011, with the judging to occur in October. The BOD had several questions, which in Hardison's absence, could not be answered. It was unclear who would pay for the mailing and how the information would be distributed to the students in time. The BOD tabled the issue until some of the questions could be answered. An electronic vote may occur once the specifics of the request are known. While the BOD generally supported the concept, use of the NCAS letterhead would require a vote of approval.

McReynolds announced that there are small grants available through the Historic Preservation Survey and Planning program for Certified Local Governments to do various cultural resource projects. One recent grant was awarded to Yates Mill Park to offer archaeological workshops to teachers. Teachers will be given a 5-day session and 3-day session for archaeology camps/workshops at this location. The dates for the workshops are July 11-15, for the 5-day session, and July 11-13, and 13-15 for the two 3-day sessions. This workshop is targeted for educators and adults. Preservation materials and course packets have been prepared for the teachers, with space for up to 60 teachers. McReynolds and three UNC graduate students will assist with the workshop to teach archaeological methods.

LCM also mentioned a 3-day teachers' workshop being offered at the North Carolina Pottery Center, funded by a grant from the National Endowment of the Arts and the Goodnight Educational Foundation. The purpose of the workshop is to teach Pottery Making in North Carolina, past and present traditions. A group of 25 teachers from the 5 counties surrounding the NCPC will be chosen. Dates for the workshop are July 22-26, 2011.

As there was no further business or announcements, Conen moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Davis. Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

These minutes respectfully submitted by,

Dr. Linda Carnes-McNaughton, RPA  
Secretary, NCAS