

**Minutes of the 14 March 2008 Meeting of the
Council of South Carolina Professional Archaeologists**

The 14 March 2008 meeting of the Council of South Carolina Professional Archaeologists was held at the Johannes Kolb Site, Great Pee Dee River Heritage Preserve, Darlington County. The meeting was hosted by Sean Taylor (SCDNR), who was conducting the annual Johannes Kolb Archaeology and Education Project in conjunction with Carl Steen (Diachronic Research Foundation), Chris Judge (USC-Lancaster), and the Citizens of the Pee Dee. The COSCAPA members were welcomed by Sean Taylor.

After the welcome, the meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m. by Vice President King, who had been asked by President Chapman to preside in his absence. The following members were in attendance:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Affiliation</u>	<u>Member Status</u>
Ramona Grunden	TRC	Associate
Stacey Young	New South	Full
Andrew Agha	Brockington & Associates	Full
Michael O'Neal	ACC	Full
Dawn Reid	ACC	Full
Jon Leader	SCIAA	Full
Marcy L. Hayden	SCCMA	Guest
Christopher Amer	SCIAA	Ex officio
Lora Holland	SCIAA	Full
Emily Jateff	Brockington & Associates	Full
Carl Steen	DRF	Full
Gail Wagner	USC-CoLA	Full
Sean Taylor	SCDNR	Full
Martha Zierden	Charleston Museum	Full
Chad Long	SCDOT	Full
Keith Stephenson	SCIAA - SRARP	Full
Adam King	SCIAA	Full
Frances Knight	SCDAH	Full
Chris Judge	USC - Lancaster	Full

Previous Meeting Minutes

The minutes from the 7 December 2007 meeting were presented for discussion and approval. Gail Wagner noted she had been in attendance at the meeting and requested to be added to the list of attendees. Lora Holland noted Emily Jateff had proposed the Underwater Committee, not she as stated in the minutes. Vice President King requested a motion to accept the corrected minutes, so moved and seconded. The corrected minutes were then accepted by the members present.

Treasurer's Report - Submitted by Keith Stephenson

As of our last meeting on December 7, 2007, our account balance was \$5,630.47. Since that time, we have received \$670.00 in membership dues (this amount includes dues for both 2007 and 2008), and have had two quarterly expenditures consisting of \$59.40 to Webmaster Rob Moon for the annual fee to Netfirms web-hosting services, and \$357.00 to the South Carolina State Museum for the December 7 meeting refreshments. This brings our account balance to \$5,884.07. Of this amount, \$378.61 remains in the South volume fund leaving

COSCAPA with an available balance of \$5,505.46.

Of the 84 active COSCAPA members (69 Full Members and 15 Associate Members), 31 have paid this year's dues for a total of \$570.00, leaving 53 members with a collective outstanding total of \$990.00.

There was a question from the membership about encumbered funds. There are no longer any encumbered funds at this time.

Membership Committee

No applications were reviewed by the Membership Committee.

Workshop Committee - Chad Long

No new major activities reported. A meeting with Sean Taylor resulted in a possible lithics workshop, possibly for Winter 2009. An option for this workshop would be to visit the gravel bars on the Great Pee Dee River at the Johannes Kolb site, which are rich in raw materials. The Committee proposes to start the round table discussions at the next meeting. Send topics for discussion to Chad Long.

Political Action Committee - Jon Leader

The usual activities with the Senate, National Park Service, and NAGPRA are being monitored.

SCIAA Liason Committee

Stacey Young remarked on no action. Christopher Amer remarked there had been no contact. Christopher Amer and Jonathan Leader remarked there is no SCIAA staff.

Newsletter

Vice President King queried whether anyone was willing to take over the Newsletter responsibilities. There was no response. Interested parties please contact the President or Vice President.

Submerged Resources Committee Report - Submitted by Emily Jateff

Cultural Resources Management Firms

No in-progress projects to report for January-March of 2008. Brockington and Tidewater Atlantic, Inc. staff will attend the NASOH conference in Pensacola May 7-11 2008 to present on intertidal and underwater investigations at the Combahee Ferry Historic District.

Friends of the Hunley/Clemson Conservation Center

During 2007-2008, archaeologists with the Hunley Project (Clemson Conservation Center) continued digital documentation of *H. L. Hunley's* hull, machinery, boat equipment, and other artifacts and features. These activities utilized various types of cutting-edge 3D scanning devices, including laser and white-light scanners, and digital modeling software for the purpose of creating an accurate three-dimensional site plan of the submarine. Additionally, the archaeological team has continued forensic and osteological analyses of the submarine's crew, as well as genealogical research to learn more about each crewman's personal history.

SCIAA Maritime Research Division

The MRD has signed a letter of endorsement of the International Charter on the Protection and Management of Underwater Cultural Heritage (ICOMOS) and the Annex to the UNESCO Convention on the Protection of Underwater Cultural Heritage. The ICOMOS Charter and the rules annexed to the Convention does not involve any political or legal issues but rather represents a codification of the international scientific standards, requirements, and principles that professional archaeologists and historians have agreed to follow when conducting research and recovery of underwater cultural heritage. The U.S. State Department, NOAA, and NPS have all formally come out in support of the Underwater Cultural Heritage (UNESCO UCH). Other groups which have signed support documents include the Maryland Historical Trust, Florida Public Archaeology Network, Massachusetts Board of Underwater Archaeological Resources, World Archaeology Congress, Australian National Cultural Heritage Forum, Australasian Institute for Maritime Archaeology, New South Wales Heritage Council, Advisory Council on Underwater Archaeology, Society for Historical Archaeology, Institute for Maritime History, Maritime Archaeological and Historical Society, North American Society for Oceanic History, Council of American Maritime Museums, Foundation for Marine Archaeology of the Netherlands Antilles (STIMANA), WAC Inter-Congress 2007, International Congress of Maritime Museums, and the Institute of Nautical Archaeology.

Currently MRD is working on getting financial support to conduct another field season searching for Ayllon's Capitana.

The MRD launched the new webpage.

The SDAMP has been responding to informant reports and recently documented the remains of a twentieth century stern wheeled steamer on the Savannah River.

Christopher Amer remarked that the SCIAA signed the letter of endorsement on the International Charter, not the Maritime Research Division.

Native American Liason Committee - Chris Judge

Jon Leader introduced Marcy L. Hayden, a Native American and new SCIAA employee dedicated to assisting tribes in all things Native American. She is the point of contact to serve, assess, and help tribes. Ms. Hayden greeted the members, thanked them, and offered her assistance to the COSCAPA organization and members.

Chris Judge reported on the clearinghouse suggested at the December 2007 meeting. He and Mona Grunden have drafted a proposal and sent it to committee. It will soon be sent around for comment.

New Business

The subject of \$5000.00 of now unencumbered funds was raised. These funds had been received as grant money to support the David Anderson volume. There was discussion about what to do with the \$5000.00. Emily Jateff suggested travel grants. Ramona Grunden recommended the money could be used to provide startup funds for workshops, print a brochure for Native American benefit, and general outreach. Sean Taylor suggested a lithic workshop with Scott Jones and others concerning lithic reduction areas. It was decided to consider these ideas, then discuss a process for accepting additional ideas, selecting among them, and funding at the next meeting.

Old Business

No old business.

Announcements

Sean Taylor announced the ASSC Fall Field Day will be held 25 October 2008 at Colonial Dorchester and invited all present to give presentations and come out and help. The Fall Field Day will be coordinated with the ongoing public archaeology program at Dorchester.

Sean Taylor announced the annual ASSC conference is scheduled for 19 April 2008.

Gail Wagner announced the McKissick Museum at USC is considering archaeologist Tim Baumann as a candidate for a new position in collections, acquisitions, and other programs. The other candidate is an artist. Baumann will be in Columbia next Wednesday and Thursday and will be giving a talk. There is no title yet for the talk. The new position will not be a faculty position. There will be a lunch with candidate Baumann next Thursday. If interested in attending, contact Lynn Robertson at the Museum.

Martha Zierden announced the next Lowcounty Archaeology Forum (LAF) will be held 25 April 2008, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Charleston Museum. The topic of discussion will be colonowares and Native Americans.

All present were reminded to sign the Attendees List.

Chad Long announced the S.C. Department of Transportation will be hiring a new archaeologist. This will be a new position and will be advertised in the next month or so.

Next Meeting

Discussion ensued regarding the date and place of the next meeting. Gail Wagner offered Mulberry Plantation, where she will be directing her field school in late May (ca. 15-28 May?). Vice President King noted the current intent is to alternate meetings outside/on-site and indoors, but we could remain open to the Mulberry Plantation option. The date of Friday, 23 May 2008 was agreed on, with the tentative place of meeting the South Carolina Department of Archives and History. Frances Knight will confirm the availability of the room and notify the members.

Adjournment

There being no other business, a motion to adjourn was requested by Vice President King, so moved and seconded. All were in favor of adjournment. The 14 March 2008 meeting of the Council of South Carolina Professional Archaeologists was adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Frances R. Knight
Secretary