

The December 10, 2010 meeting of the Council of South Carolina Professional Archaeologists was held at the Archives and History Center, Columbia. The meeting was opened at 10:09 a.m. by Vice President Sean Norris, who presided at the meeting in the absence of President King. The following individuals were in attendance:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Affiliation</u>	<u>Status</u>
Sean Norris, Vice President	TRC	Member
Keith Stephenson, Treasurer	SRARP-SCIAA	Member
Ramona Grunden	TRC	Associate
Ron Anthony	Charleston Museum	Member
Aaron Brummitt	S&ME	Member
Jodi Barnes	SHPO	Member
Chris Judge	USC Lancaster	Member
Ben Johnson	SRARP-SCIAA	Member
Chris Gillam	SRARP-SCIAA	Member
Lesley Drucker	AF Consultants	Member
Chad Long	SCDOT	Member
Elizabeth Johnson	SCDAH	Guest
Wayne Roberts	SCDOT	Member
Jon Leader	SCIAA	Member
Jeff Craver	SCDOT	Guest
Myles Bland	Bland and Assoc.	Member

Previous Meeting Minutes

Vice President Taylor inquired whether there were any changes, corrections, or additions to the draft minutes from the August 20, 2010 meeting. No corrections or additions were advanced. The Vice President requested a motion to accept the corrected minutes. Aaron Brummitt motioned to accept the corrected minutes, which was seconded by Ben Johnson. None were opposed. The corrected minutes were approved and accepted by the membership.

Treasurer's Report

Keith Stephenson

As of our last meeting on August 20, 2010, our account balance was \$5,062.22. Quarterly expenditures consisted of \$43.56 to Sean Norris for the August meeting refreshments, which brings our account balance to \$5,178.66. Of this amount, \$30.00 remains in the South volume fund leaving COSCAPA with a total available balance of \$5,148.66. Of the 63 active COSCAPA members for 2010 (53 Full Members and 10 Associate Members), 39 have paid this year's dues for a total of \$700.00, leaving 24 members with an unpaid collective balance of \$460.00.

Workshop committee:

Chad Long has been inactive, but would like to do something within the next year. Talking about getting a poster session together for the ASSC with CRM firms highlighting recent work.

Membership committee:

Chris Judge for Eric Poplin

Jodi Barnes request for membership for Full Member Status. Jodi was unanimously accepted by voice vote.

SCIAA Liaison committee.

No committee members present at the meeting.

Submerged Resources committee.

No committee members present at the meeting. Discussion ensued about making it inactive.

Native American committee.

Chris Judge: no report.

Political Action committee

Report by Jon Leader. Tea Party, etc., Catawba etc., and Lesley Haggins (name spelling?) at Center can prosecute against the looting of sites in South Carolina.

SCIAA

Report by Jon Leader.

SRARP

Report by Keith Stephenson. In a recent survey, the SRARP fieldcrew recovered an Edgefield pottery vessel which was made and signed by David Drake the enslaved potter who, in the mid-19th century often wrote verse, dated, and signed his pottery. However, on this particular stoneware vessel there was only his signature along with a date of April 16, 1862. We are currently in the process of writing a report on the site, and the vessel's context in a tenet house midden that dates to ca. 1920 to 1950. George Wingard, together with Mark Albertin of Morris Media, Inc., Augusta, Georgia, is in the process of making a short documentary film on this discovery in the context of David Drake's life and work in Edgefield County. Mark Brooks and Chris Moore are continuing their intensive research at Carolina bays both on and in proximity to the Savannah River Site. Additionally, Chris Gillam reported on his research both abroad and his update of the predictive model for site survey on the Savannah River Site, which is in part his dissertation as well as a document for the DOE-SRS.

Archives and History

Jodi Barnes, Archaeologist, SCDH and Elizabeth Johnson, Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer, SCDH.

US Forest Service

No report.

USC Department of Anthropology
No report.

USC Lancaster, Department of Anthropology

Report by Chris Judge noted that there were available ethnographies of WWII Veterans on Catawba Indian Reservation.

Thomas Blumer Catawba pottery collection on exhibit.

A replica Catawba Indian pottery sale will be held on December 18th, 2010 at the USC Lancaster campus and hosted by the Native American Studies Program. Traditional works by established and emerging potters from the Catawba Nation in Rock Hill, SC. Dennis Blanton will speak on April 12 at the Sixth Annual Native American Studies Week at USC Lancaster. His presentation is titled "Hernando de Soto Slept Here?: Evaluating Evidence of Early Sixteenth-Century Spanish-Indian Contact in South-Central Georgia."

Announced upcoming Palachacolas Town Field School on Webb Wildlife Preserve in May 2011.

The Kolb site (15th Season) 2011 field season will be held between March 7 and 18, with Public Day on Saturday, the 12th.

SCDOT

Report by Wayne Roberts. Battlefield report. Chad Long reported work with Steve Davis and Brett Riggs, research archaeologists from UNC (on Hwy SC 5 bridge replacement at historic Catawba site, one of three historic Catawba site on the Catawba River, dates to late 18th century.

Taking bids for consultants for three-year contracts.

Discussed US 378 survey in Florence Co. as well as other small projects.

Charleston Museum

Reported by Ron Anthony.

Discussed project at Stono Plantation.

Discussed project at Charlestown Landing with Dave Jones, SC State Park Service.

Discussed project with Andrew Agha at the Lord Ashley site with Westo Indian pottery.

A. F. Consultants

Lesley Drucker. Short discussion of projects.

S&ME, Charleston

Aaron Brummitt discussed upcoming publication with John McCarthy (S&ME, Charleston) titled "Archaeology in the 'real world': the training-practice disconnect in North American consulting archaeology" to be published in forthcoming World Archaeology by the World Archaeological Congress, Washington, DC.

TRC

Sean Norris. In Kershaw County, survey on a sand hill ridge top for a gold mine expansion project revealed an Archaic component.

Discussed smaller surveys including 378 Florence project.

Bland and Associates

Myles Bland discussed small surveys.

Arch Site Committee

Reported by Chad Long. Concerns involve Jon working with Kevin at USC IT and Carmen at New South to fix errors and training interns. Jon Leader explained that Carmen's former position was frozen by USC, so no hire this year. Jon has 2 volunteers to work in Arch Site. Jon discussed the introduced errors in files technology with 162 errors that Jon has taken out. Elizabeth Johnson is helping Jon with problems. Carmen will help with training session. Chad Long asked whether COSCAPA should write a letter to USC to emphasize need for someone to fill Carmon's position? Jon said instead we should write a letter to the Dean thanking her for guaranteeing that the position will still remain open after the freeze is over. Lesley asked Jon some questions including is any money coming from DOT. Jon said probably. Chris Gillam advised that a proposal be written for a grant for a PhD candidate or two to take on Arch Site technology and in turn they will get a dissertation out of their work. Chad asked how much would the grant need to be? Chris answered whatever a grad student stipend is, which is not very big. Jon discussed problems with ESRI and tech problems embedded in the existing data system. Chris Gillam emphasized the need to understand the potential of a grad student, and that Jon could write up proposals, and write it at this time because proposals usually do not get funded the first time around, so might need to be resubmitted.

Old Business

OCRM

Lesley Drucker asked how they were going to treat sites?

1. OCRM will only treat consider National Listed sites, Eligible site and list them.
2. OCRM will not ask for survey work to be conducted to locate eligible sites, but can turn in previously recorded site for evaluation to be done with a 10 day period.

Wayne Roberts commented that OCRM does not receive any federal funding.

Any OCRM agreement with SHPO is not yet written after the meeting with Elizabeth Johnson.

Chad Long asked whether COSCAPA can request to see the Agreement draft? Jodi will check on this with Elizabeth Johnson (who had excused herself and left the meeting room by this point), and get back to Sean or Adam.

New Business

Chris Judge announced that the ASSC Conference would be held on April 9, 2011. He announced that 2011 (15th Season) the Kolb site field season will be held between March 7 and 18, with Public Day on Saturday, the 12th.

Dennis Blanton will speak on April 12 at the Sixth Annual Native American Studies Week at USC Lancaster regarding his recent research at an early 16th century Spanish contact site in southern central Georgia.

Jodi announced that the Mid-Lands Chapter of the ASSC would be revived.

The next quarterly meeting is scheduled for March 11, 2011 and will be hosted by Chris Judge and Sean Taylor at the Kolb site.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:32 am.