

February 18, 2005 Meeting Minutes
Council of South Carolina Professional Archaeologists
 Bonnie L. Frick, Secretary

On Friday, February 18, 2005, the Council of South Carolina Professional Archaeologists (COSCAPA) met at the State Museum “Red Room” in Columbia, South Carolina. President Natalie Adams called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM. The following individuals were present.

Name	Affiliation	Membership Status
Bonnie Frick	SCDOT	M
Sharon Pekrul	SCIAA	M
Chester DePratter	SCIAA	M
Ramona Grunden	TRC	A
Chris Gillam	SRARP	M
Gail Wagner	USC	M
Lesley Drucker	AF Consultants	M
Sandra Reinhardt	THPO	G
Bill Green	TRC	M
Valerie Marcil	SCDAH	M
Terry Ferguson	Wofford College	M
Jon Leader	SCIAA	M
Andrew Agha	Brockington	G
Wayne Roberts	SCDOT	M
Adam King	SCIAA	M
Ashley Chapman	SCPRT	M
Chris Clement	SCIAA	M
Rob Moon	SRARP	M
Brad Botwick	New South	M
Ralph Bailey	Brockington	M
Lara Hamsey	Ft. Jackson	G
Scott Stanley	SRARP	G
Chad Long	SCDAH	M
Steve Smith	SCIAA	M
Keith Stephenson	SRARP-SCIAA	M
Chris Thornock	SRARP-SCIAA	G
Martha Zierden	Charleston Museum	M
Jennifer King	SCIAA	G
Sean Taylor	USC	G
Chris Judge	SCHTP	M
Liam Judge		G
Elaine Nichols	State Museum	G

Natalie Adams	New South	M
Eric Poplin	Brockington	M
Carl Steen	Diachronic	M

Guests to the meeting were introduced to the membership, and included Lara Hamsey, (Fort Jackson archaeologist), Scott Stanley (SRARP), Liam Judge, Sandra Reinhardt (THPO), Elaine Nichols (State Museum), and Fritz Hamer (State Museum)..

Secretary's Report (Bonnie Frick)

Bonnie asked if there were any corrections to the minutes. Keith Stephenson announced that a portion of the financial report was left out of the December meeting's minutes and newsletter. It is printed below.

Treasurer's Report (Keith Stephenson)

As of our last meeting on December 3, 2004, our treasury balance was \$5,070.81. Since that time, we have received \$140.00 in dues and \$2.52 from our Interest Checking and Business Investment Accounts (with current Annual Percentage Yields of 0.10 and 0.30 percent, respectively). Quarterly expenditures consisted of \$16.36 to reimburse Vice-President Eric Poplin for refreshments for the December 3, 2004 meeting and a donation of \$400.00 to the ASSC Graduate Student Grant-in-Aid fund. This brings the current balance to \$4,796.97. Of this amount, \$2,415.72 is encumbered for the South Carolina Pottery Survey and Planning Grant, and \$600.00 for the Stan South Volume, leaving an available balance of \$1,781.25.

COSCAPA Treasury Year-End Report for 2004

Credits:

Amount

2004 Membership dues received (66 paid members; 56 Full and 10 Associate).....	\$1,220.00
2003 back-dues received in 2004.....	\$40.00
2005 Membership dues received in 2004.....	\$100.00
Historic Ceramic Workshop.....	\$290.00
Interest-bearing checking and savings accounts.....	<u>\$9.64</u>
<i>TOTAL</i>	<i>\$1,659.64</i>

Debits:

Date	Expenditures	Amount
08-Jan	Envelopes for dues notices.....	\$5.28
08-Jan	Stamps for dues notices.....	\$37.00
04-June	Meeting refreshments.....	\$38.80
10-Sept	Meeting refreshments.....	\$21.65

10-Sept	Archaeology Month poster.....	\$400.00
16-Nov	Netfirms Web Hosting for COSCAPA website.....	\$59.40
18-Nov	Historic Ceramic Workshop.....	\$247.18
03-Dec	Meeting refreshments.....	\$16.36
03-Dec	ASSC Graduate Student Grant-in-Aid Program.....	\$400.00
TOTAL	<u>\$1,225.67</u>

Total Credits.....	\$1,659.64
Total Debits.....	<u>\$1,225.67</u>
2004 Surplus.....	\$433.97

Balance as of December 31, 2004.....	\$4,746.14
Encumbered for SCPS&P Grant.....	\$2,415.72
Encumbered for Stan South Volume.....	\$600.00
<i>Available 2004 year-end balance</i>	<i>\$1,730.42</i>

Contributors to Stan South Volume:

New South..... \$250.00

TRC..... \$250.00

AF Consultants..... \$100.00

Newsletter Editor's Report (Carl Steen)

Carl has extra copies of the newsletter, and asks for submissions for the next newsletter. The Stan South Volume should be shipped on February 22.

Membership Committee (Eric Poplin)

We have received five applications for membership to COSCAPA since the last meeting. Four applications were received in time to review prior to the current meeting. These applicants include:

- Andrew Agha (Brockington and Associates) M.A., University of South Carolina
- Ian deNeeve (TRC) M.A., University of Kentucky
- Mike O'Neal (Archaeological Consultants of the Carolinas) M.A., University of Arkansas
- Rachel Tibbetts (Archaeological Consultants of the Carolinas) M.A., University of Southampton

The Committee reviewed these applications and provided the following recommendations to the Council on February 18, 2005:

Andrew Agha	Accept as Full Member	Unanimous
Ian deNeeve	Accept as Full Member	Unanimous
Mike O'Neal	Accept as Full Member	3-1 (does not meet Criterion 3)
Rachel Tibbetts	Accept as Full Member	3-1 (does not meet Criterion 3)

*Criterion 3 states that to become a member of COSCAPA, the individual's primary professional application must be in the practice of archaeology in South Carolina.

The fifth application is complete and currently under review by the Committee. We will provide recommendations for this applicant at the next meeting.

The resumes of these four individuals were circulated at the February 18, 2005 meeting. All four applicants were voted unanimously as members of COSCAPA.

Activities Committee (Wayne Roberts)

Chad Long will spearhead a GPS workshop, which will be an introduction to GPS, in the spring. After the GPS workshop, there will be a Lithic Raw Materials workshop. Plans are already underway.

Site Files Curation Committee/ COSCAPA SCIAA Liaison Committee (Eric Poplin)

Eric presented the following report: The SCIAA Liaison Committee met on Wednesday, February 9, 2005. The Committee reviewed the recommendations developed by the Committee during 2001 and 2002 and presented to the Council in October 2002. With one major exception (the curation manual that will be delivered to the Committee or Council at this meeting), the Committee feels that efforts to address any of these issues or to effect any of the recommendations are very weak. The Curation Policy itself took almost three years to produce, not including the recent efforts by Steve Smith. A summary of these recommendations is attached. Present at the February 9 meeting were Mona Grunden, Lesley Drucker, Natalie Adams, Wayne Roberts, Chad Long, and Eric Poplin.

We recognize that our recommendations are just that – recommendations that SCIAA has no real compulsion to implement. And, many require a substantial influx of monies. However, we did identify avenues for SCIAA to seek additional funds. The only known effort to bring new money to bear on any of these issues came from the SCDOT who saw a desperate situation and decided to act. We also identified specific areas for which little or no money was required to effect a change. For the most part what changes were made appear to have been temporary.

This review demonstrates that most of the problems that prompted the Council to establish this Committee and that energized its members to participate remain. The lack

of any apparent genuine efforts by SCIAA to address most of these concerns leaves the Committee with no confidence that these issues are important to SCIAA or that they will be addressed in the foreseeable future. Access to Site Files remains problematic, absence of merely one staff member often results in no access. It appears to us that the Office of the State Archaeologist remains reactive rather than proactive, with no acknowledgement of our professional requirements.

Efforts to reestablish trust after the SCIAA implementation of curation standards in August 2004 resulted in a meeting between the President of the Council, the Chairman of the Committee, and Dr. Jonathan Leader, Interim Director of SCIAA and the State Archaeologist. Dr. Leader said that he would provide updates in the COSCAPA Newsletter concerning the recreation of the GIS database of archaeological sites, the curation manual, and other issues raised by the Committee. To date, no information from SCIAA concerning these issues has appeared. Although we are very pleased that the revised curation manual is ready for review, we were surprised to learn from a causal conversation with an outside reviewer that it had progressed to that stage. The Committee thought that we were to review the loan and access policy and provide comments to Steve Smith for incorporation in the curation manual. We commend Mr. Smith for including this in the current version but it would have been appropriate to keep the Committee informed.

As the organization designed to represent the professional interests of archaeology in South Carolina, we feel that the Council should take action with respect to this Committee. We see several options that the Council could pursue.

- 1. Disband the Committee.** We have spent four years attempting to assist SCIAA in resolving issues noted by the Council with little progress. Perhaps there is none to be made.
- 2. Maintain the Committee as is.** Minimally, we serve as a clearinghouse for Council members to submit complaints and problems that they encounter with SCIAA. This may be an appropriate function. The current Committee members will serve for another year.
- 3. Seek Solutions for our concerns beyond SCIAA.** In September 2004, this Committee recommended that the Council address our concerns with actions of the Office of the State Archaeologist with respect to the curation of artifacts to the University administration. Perhaps it is time to pursue this avenue once again. If desired, Council should instruct Executive and SCIAA Liaison Committees to draft and submit letter ASAP.

Summary of 2002 Recommendations

Appoint IMD Manager	No Action	Requires Add'l Funding
Cuartion Facilities/ Policies		
1. Perform efficiency review	No Action	
2.A. Produce written policy/guide	In Progress	
B. Provide on Web	In Progress	
C. Increase curation fee	Done	
3. Create collections/database inventory	No Action	
4.A. Additional staff	1 person, 1/2 time	Requires Add'l Funding
B. Develop loan policy	In Progress	
C. Move curation staff to facility	No Action	
5. New facility to meet Fed standards	No Action	Requires Add'l Funding
Site Files Policies/Procedures		
1.A. Perform efficiency Review	No Action	
B. Establish User Fee	No Action	
2.A Update/maintain GIS database	No Action	Funding in Place
B. Allow Access to GIS database	No Action	
C. Create GIS later of areas surveyed	No Action	Funding in Place?
D. Scan site forms into GIS database	No Action	Funding in Place?
E. Create electronic/digital site form	No Action	Funding in Place?
3.A. Copier in Site Files	No Action	
B. Create database of reports	No Action	Funding in Place?
C. Update/Publish SC bibliography	No Action	
D. Provide access to CD writer	No Action	
E. Integrate Stephenson Library	No Action	
4. A. Allow self-directed research	No Action	
B. Site Files on State Holiday Schedule	No Action	
C. Review Site Files inclusions	No Action	
5. A. Acquire additional staff	No Action	
B. Create back-up Site Files	No Action	
C. Install fire detection/suppression	No Action	Requires Add'l Funding
Seek Outside Funding		
1. Implement Site Files User Fee	No Action	
2. Seek Outside Patrons/Partners		
3. A. Federal Agencies	No Action	
B. State Agencies	No Action	
C. Private Sources	No Action	
4. Hire Grant Seeker	No Action	Requires Add'l Funding
5. Review SC Library listings for grants	No Action	

After Eric Poplin presented the committee's findings, he asked for input from the Council on how to proceed, and what the best course of action would be. The Committee recommended Option 3. There was much discussion from members of COSCAPA over whether or not it would be appropriate for the committee to address these concerns with the University. Reasons for not moving ahead with Option 3 included: 1) SCIAA has fiscal constraints, and has proven that some of these recommendations can't be met due to these fiscal constraints; 2) SCIAA has an interim director at this time; 3) the University is shifting staff as well. More discussion followed, and while it was agreed that positive progress has been made, many of the recommendations made by the committee have been in discussions for years, even decades, and there has been no resolution. It was suggested that a member of SCIAA be appointed to the committee to

help with these concerns. If it is then decided that these recommendations need to go to others outside of SCIAA in the form of a letter, the committee needs to identify the appropriate people to target, as well as identify a purpose for the letter, and what these outside groups can do to help resolve the problems. A suggestion was offered that COSCAPA write a letter for Jon Leader to then forward to the Dean at the University. Another suggestion was that the committee be maintained (Option 2), and add a representative from SCIAA. Then, along with a SCIAA representative, the committee could review the list including progress that has been made, draft a letter suggesting the kinds of help SCIAA needs and the history of these problems, and bring these problems to the attention of the University. The committee chairperson then recommended to members of COSCAPA that a staff person from SCIAA would be added to the committee, the current status in today's report would be reviewed, then a letter would be drafted by the committee that would then be forwarded from Jon Leader to the University. If the committee develops a letter that is unanimously approved by the committee, the letter can be sent prior to the next COSCAPA meeting. This recommendation was passed, with one COSCAPA member opposed, and one COSCAPA member abstained. Jon Leader will submit a name of a staff person as SCIAA as soon as possible.

Standards and Guidelines Committee (Eric Poplin)

The committee has not met since the last COSCAPA meeting.

ASSC/Certification Committee (Ashley Chapman)

Ron Anthony, Ashley Chapman, Martha Zierden, and Carl Steen met at the Charleston Museum in January. It was agreed that existing programs should be used in the certification process (Charleston Museum's field school with the College of Charleston, fieldwork at Dorchester State Park, Al Goodyear's field school at the Topper Site, the Kolb Site, USC's field school, etc.). There should be a unified approach to advertising these events, such as on the ASSC website. ASSC is making efforts to get the website updated and maintained. One member of COSCAPA brought up concern over the inadequate structure of supervised lab time, and how this will be addressed. The committee will meet again to discuss this issue, along with others.

Political Action Committee (Jon Leader)

Jon Leader will provide information to the secretary electronically.

Jon reminded COSCAPA members that the governor's budget is a request, and is not written in stone.

After a number of years of hard work, the Committee for Minority Affairs has succeeded in gaining state recognition for two tribes: The Wacammaw and the Pee Dee Nation of Upper South Carolina. This is the first time in 200 years that South Carolina has state-recognized tribes.

As of February 17, 2005, Site Files now conforms entirely to state agency hours.

State Archaeologist Report (Jon Leader)

Jon Leader will provide additional information regarding the State Archaeologist to the secretary electronically.

Old Business

The Stanley South volume is ready to begin printing, and extra copies will be sold.

David Anderson is asking for scanned photographs, radiocarbon dates, for the ceramics volume. Carl Steen has digitized photographs that Michael Foster took at the meeting and has mailed these to David Anderson.

At the last meeting, the Council asked Natalie to contact federal agencies so that COSCAPA can be an interested party regarding the repatriation of materials. Natalie is currently working on this.

Chris Gillam won the majority of the votes for the position of Archivist.

New Business

Two University of South Carolina students received \$1,000 each in Grant-In-Aid money.

Nena Powell Rice doesn't have a graphic artist for the poster design for next year, and wants input from the community. It's been suggested that the poster have a general military theme.

ASSC Conference (Nena Powell Rice)

The ASSC Conference will be held in Gambrell Hall from 9:00 AM to 4:20 PM, with a business meeting until 5:00 PM. A social will fall at the Clarion Townhouse until 6:30, at which time the banquet will begin. Vince Steponaitus will be the speaker, and will be at Gambrell Hall today at 3:00 to discuss his work at Moundville.

Curation Manual Update (Steve Smith)

Steve met with the committee in November, and brought along comments from Jon and members of the archaeological community. He then put all these comments into a matrix and asked for suggestions. There were no suggestions. The Division of Archaeology in Louisiana and the Site Files in North Carolina were used as a background. The manual in

pdf format should be on the web today. Jon will e-mail a copy to Natalie as well. It will go into effect July 1, 2005, and any suggestions/comments should be e-mailed to Jon.

State Historic Preservation Office (Chad Long)

Guidance has been posted on the Archives and History website concerning cell tower review. The Nationwide Programmatic Agreement regarding review procedures for FCC undertakings is in effect.

The Statewide Historic Preservation Conference will be held at Archives and History on March 31. In conjunction with the conference, there is a Professional Assistance for Historic Preservation/Archaeology Projects program that will provide professional advice and assistance for projects involving historic buildings or archaeological sites through matching worthy projects with donations of professional services by architectural, archaeological, and historic preservation consulting firms. Any comments/suggestions for this program are welcomed.

In celebration of the 150th anniversary of the South Carolina Historical Society, there will be a symposium on February 23 through February 25, which is free to the public. Fliers were distributed at the COSCAPA meeting and will be posted on the website.

South Carolina Department of Transportation (Wayne Roberts)

The FishDam Ford project is moving ahead. The landowner has accepted an offer per acre, and a survey of the property has been ordered. Once SCDOT has title to the property, it will be transferred to the Department of Natural Resources Heritage Trust Program. The museum of York County will use artifacts from the site for a display in June. Data recovery excavations at the Archaic site located on the Union side of the river (38UN989) resulted in a large lithic assemblage. It is being processed, but has not been analyzed.

I-73, which is the largest project in decades, continues in the early phases. There is a team made up of people from various state and federal agencies that are discussing all environmental aspects of the project.

The US 17 Widening in the ACE Basin has at least one problematic site, the Harriet Tubman crossing, which is located in the Combahee area. A congressman has notified Wayne of the approximate location.

Short-form reports are now being used by SCDOT archaeologists and consultants working on SCDOT projects, and things seem to be running smoothly.

Heritage Trust Program (Chris Judge)

The HTP is looking at the possible donation of 14 acres along Congaree Creek from SCE&G.

Excavations at the Kolb site will be from March 7-18, with Public Day on March 12.

The HTP is looking into the possibility of applying for National Historic Landmark recognition for Fig Island shell ring. This would be the first step in having this site nominated as a World Heritage site.

There have been changes in the structure of the Heritage Trust Program. Heritage Trust has merged with the Scenic Rivers Program and the Forest Legacy Program, and is now called the Habitat Protection Section.

Chris has been working with the state's experts, including Martha Zierden, Dan Elswick, and Roger Stroup, in historic archaeology and architecture at Bonneau's Ferry, looking at the house and mill sites.

The Cultural Areas Committee has been asked to reevaluate the ranking of significant sites in South Carolina. Bill Green has been asked to act as Chair for a committee to reevaluate the current ranking system. If anyone is interested in joining this committee, please contact Chris Judge.

PRT (Ashley Chapman)

The archaeological field crew is conducting excavations around the palisade area. At Colonial Dorchester, an assessment is being made on the bell tower. Some of the vegetation will be cleaned from it. Photo documentation of the tabby fort remains and walls continues.

State Museum (Elaine Nichols)

There will be a prehistoric predators exhibit until July. Elaine thanked Valerie Marcil for help with the research on the Columbia canal.

Wofford College (Terry Ferguson)

Work continues in Greenville and Pickens counties on Woodland-Archaic sites. The work schedule is Tuesday-Thursday.

AF Consultants (Lesley Drucker)

AF Consultants has several projects in the upstate of South Carolina at this time.

Brockington and Associates (Ralph Bailey)

Andrew Agha is reassessing sites in Francis Marion National Forest. There have been some tavern sites that have prompted a closer look at rural taverns. Remote sensing equipment is being used on the study of inland rice fields. Eric will be conducting studies involving ground-penetrating radar to stabilize a cemetery.

Diachronic (Carl Steen)

Carl has finished the table of contents for the Fort Bragg project, and is currently working on the report for the Kolb site.

New South Associates (Natalie Adams)

Brad Botwick will be conducting testing at Beaufort Marine Corps Air Station and will be working on a project near Habersham Creek in Beaufort County. Brad hosted a session at the SHA meetings this year and gave a paper. Natalie finished a data recovery at Yauhannah Bluff for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. They want to put nature center on the property. Natalie found interesting ceramics, and wants other folks who have done work in the area to take a look at them. A plantation main house was uncovered, as well as a possible slave house, and outbuildings, and there may be a candidate for the 1760s trading post.

TRC (Bill Green)

TRC is conducting test excavations on Fishing Creek Island. They have finished the Catawba-Wateree Survey report, and are now conducting excavations in Augusta on a small project. They have also done work on four sites in Horry County that Carl Steen originally worked on. They are working on the Lake Murray survey management plan. Sean is currently working on Parris Island. Ian deNeeve from the University of Kentucky has been hired at TRC.

The Charleston Museum (Martha Zierden)

The Museum has been working on the Charleston Beef Market site, which is located below City Hall. It was constructed in 1800 and contains intact foundations that go down five feet.

The Museum is hosting an exhibit on the bountiful coast that will run through September 12. Fifty percent of the exhibit deals with archaeology.

The next meeting was set for May 13, 2005. The location will be announced at a later date. Valerie Marcil will check on availability of a room at Archives and History, and Elaine Nichols will check on availability at the State Museum.

At this time, Eric revisited the issue regarding the reorganization in the governor's proposed budget. His budget proposed that SCIAA be placed within the Department of Archives and History. Eric asked if the Council should take any action in regards to this. Terry Ferguson motioned that the Council take action if deemed necessary with input from the State Archaeologist. After further discussion, on whether to act as a group or individually, it was decided that this topic would be taken up by the COSCAPA SCIAA Liaison Committee. This would be added to the Committee's agenda, and the Committee would recommend to COSCAPA appropriate action. Terry withdrew the motion.

The meeting was adjourned.

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Bob Morgan	USFS	M
Sharon Pekarul	SCIAA	M
Chris Gillam	SRARP-SCIAA	M
Don Rosick	USC	G
Michael Whiteley	USC	G
Christopher Perry	USC	G
Holly M. Riggs	USC	G
Jakob Crockett	USC	G
Gail Wagner	USC	M
Sean Taylor		G
Carl Steen	DRF	M
Chris Judge	SCHTP	M
Rob Moon	SRARP-SCIAA	M
Ashley Chapman	SCPRT	M
Adam King	SRARP-SCIAA	M
Keith Stephenson	SRARP-SCIAA	M
Chad Long	SCDAH	M
Valerie Marcil	SCDAH	M
William Green	TRC	M
Lesley Drucker	AF Consultants	M
Natalie Adams	New South	M
Eric Poplin	Brockington	M
Bonnie Frick	SCDOT	M
Wayne Roberts	SCDOT	M
Jon Leader	SCIAA	M
Nena Powell Rice	SCIAA	M

Guests to the meeting were introduced to the membership. Gail Wagner introduced Michael Whiteley, Christopher Perry, Holly Riggs, Jakob Crockett, and Don Rosick, students at USC.

Secretary's Report (Bonnie Frick)

Bonnie asked if there were any corrections to the minutes. Chris Gillam needs to be added to the list of officers (Archivist) in the newsletter. Nena Powell Rice was present at the last COSCAPA meeting on February 18, 2005.

Treasurer's Report (Keith Stephenson)

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Of the 74 active COSCAPA members (62 Full Members and 12 Associate Members), 44 have paid this year's dues for a total of \$770.00 leaving 30 members with outstanding dues totaling \$590.00.

Newsletter Editor's Report (Carl Steen)

Carl said he had extra copies if anyone needed them. He asks for submissions 4 weeks prior to the next meeting.

Membership Committee (Eric Poplin)

The Membership Committee received two applications for full membership since the previous meeting, and one application for associate membership. Documentation was received for Sean Taylor, Audry Dawson, and Sandra Reinhardt. The Committee unanimously recommended full membership for Sean Taylor. Three Committee members recommended Audry Dawson for full membership (one committee member unable to be reached). Three Committee members recommended Sandra Reinhardt for associate membership (one committee member unable to be reached). All three resumes were distributed to the COSCAPA membership in attendance.

Later in the meeting, Sean Taylor was unanimously voted into full membership of COSCAPA. Audry Dawson was unanimously voted into full membership. After discussion, Jon Leader moved that Sandra Reinhardt have full membership, and Wayne Roberts seconded this motion. She was voted into full membership, with Sharon Pekrul, Lesley Drucker, and Bob Morgan abstaining.

Activities Committee (Wayne Roberts)

The GPS workshop, organized by Chad Long, was very beneficial. The next workshop will be on lithic raw materials. Wayne Roberts will organize this workshop, and the Committee will hold a meeting in the upcoming weeks.

Site Files Curation Committee/ COSCAPA SCIAA Liaison Committee (Eric Poplin)

The Committee met on March 10, 2005, to discuss four general topics: (1) role of Steve Smith as newest committee member; (2) Spatial Reorganization of SCIAA; (3) Development of GIS database for site files (asked ESRI to provide feedback on the data fields); (4) Preparing a letter, which would discuss coordination of SCIAA with the University (Eric is drafting a letter now). No new meeting has been scheduled.

Political Action Committee (Jon Leader)

Jon started with a brief discussion on the possibility of the Section 106 process being downgraded. He turned the discussion over to Valerie Marcil. Valerie said that their office had written a letter documenting examples of significant resources that would have been lost if Section 106 only addressed NRHP listed sites, and ignored the sites that were eligible, but not listed. To date, only South Carolina SHPO and New Jersey SHPO have responded with examples. SCDAH is providing additional statistics for ACRA. The Park Service, SAA, ACRA, SHA groups were all at the committee hearings.

Regarding recent developments in geocaching, Jon stated that in May 2004, he was contacted by representatives from Sheldon Church and Representative Sipes. Several cemeteries in the lowcountry have been used as end points for geocaching activities, without permission. Representative Sipes is upset about the lack of concern and has drafted legislation to limit geocaching to areas where the geocachers have explicit permission to be on the property. It has passed House, and should pass in the Senate. Jon has also spoken with Ground Speak, a geocaching organization based out of Seattle.

Jon briefly discussed budget problems in South Carolina.

Standards and Guidelines Committee (Eric Poplin)

The Committee met on April 17, 2005, and has worked their way up to Lab Procedures (page 17). The revisions have been compiled into electronic format. There are no major changes up to this point, mostly correction of typographical errors and some reorganization. Also, the legislation portion has been updated. A draft of the new Standards and Guidelines should be ready by the end of the summer. There is a Committee meeting today at 2:00.

ASSC/ Certification Liaison Committee (Carl Steen)

There has been no additional action from the Committee. Carl did suggest that the COSCAPA website have a "Field Opportunity" section.

Heritage Trust Committee (Bill Green and Chris Judge)

This committee has been formed to study the site-ranking system used by Heritage Trust. The criteria for ranking sites needs to be tweaked, and the ranking of sites should be done by a committee, not by individuals. There will be a committee meeting at lunch today.

Old Business

David Anderson is looking for input from the archaeological community on the ceramics volume. He has received some images, but needs more. Joe Herbert has finished the discussion portion of the text for South Carolina, and is beginning discussion of North Carolina ceramics. In the future, there will be a conference organized to discuss western NC ceramics.

New Business

A Nominations Committee was formed to elect officers for the 2006-2008 term. Carl Steen, David Anderson, and Wayne Roberts (Chair) will serve on this committee.

Archivist Chris Gillam asked what types of materials he should be collecting. The various committees were instructed to send meeting minutes to Chris to be archived. Eric will send Chris resumes he's received for applications to COSCAPA.

State Historic Preservation Office (Chad Long and Valerie Marcil)

The Catawba-Wateree re-licensing is moving forward. SHPO has received a final report on impacts to the Mulberry Site and Mound A. The report concluded that Duke Power is not responsible for additional erosion of the site, that it is a result of natural causes. Chad is evaluating the report and data, and asks for any comments. Work is being conducted on the Florence National Cemetery by TRC. Initially Florence started working on an expansion project without proper consultation, and they've stopped work and hired TRC.

SCDOT (Wayne D. Roberts)

Work continues on the I-73 project in the Pee Dee region. A team made up of various resource agencies has been formed. They are using a CADD tool to lay out 600 ft wide corridors, with constraints for various types of resources. A field trip is scheduled next week with the resource agencies. SCDOT and SCDAH will partner to conduct countywide surveys in Marlboro, Dillon, Marion and Horry counties.

Work continues on the US 17 ACE Basin project. Brockington is conducting Phase II excavations on the Combahee bridge replacement site. There are two Confederate earthworks and two Revolutionary war battle sites in the vicinity of the project. There will be data recovery excavations on a possible ferry operator's house in the future.

SCDOT is very close to obtaining the deed on 143 acres at the Fish Dam Ford battlefield. It will ultimately be transferred to SCDNR Heritage Trust Program. On June 27, 2005, there will be an event to mark SCDOT's acquisition of the site. Several artifacts have been loaned to the York County Museum for an exhibit beginning in June.

The non-metal truss bridge survey is on-going. SHPO has concurred on Phase I of the contract. Phase II (survey) will begin shortly.

SCDOT is planning a bridge replacement near Hopsewee Plantation, a National Historic Landmark. Archaeology continues in the area of this project.

Office of State Archaeologist (Jon Leader)

The first part of kick-off for the digitizing project has been completed with ESRI in Charlotte. The meeting included SCDAH staff (Chad Long) and covered both portions of the project. An IT position is working its way through the system.

A busy legislative session is drawing to a close successfully.

SCIAA continues working closely with the University on the building and curation issues.

GPR on behalf of the Law Enforcement has picked up. Apparently, the seconding of the Institute to SLED is becoming a common point of planning.

Maritime Research Division is currently in the process of hiring an archaeologist to manage the Division's Charleston office and run the Sport Diver Archaeology Management Program. Later this month, the Division will be working in the waters around Callawassie Island ground-truthing magnetic and acoustic anomalies located during last year's remote sensing survey. This month, the Division with the assistance of volunteers, performed a complete assessment and maintenance of the Cooper River Heritage Dive Trail. The team replaced the mooring systems. Buoys and diver guide lines at the five sites, and opened up two new areas of the trail to controlled diver access-two anchors and one of the Strawberry ferry landings. In June, the Division will conduct maintenance on two underwater-mounted sensor packages for USC Geology and Baruch Institute. George Bass' Archive is coming to SCIAA.

Research Division- Tommy Charles is currently working on two sites on the Robinson Farm in Greenville and Pickens County. He and Terry Ferguson of Wofford College have temporarily suspended work on a Pisgah site due to crop planting, and they have

moved their operations to another site across the river that has a good Middle Archaic component. Robinson Farm excavations will continue over the next several months.

Al Goodyear is back in the field in Allendale County. He is continuing his excavations on the Topper Site floodplain in pursuit of the pre-Clovis occupation. He is also working on an extensive Clovis component on the crest of the nearby upland ridge.

Stan South took leave and consulted with Mike Hartley, Archaeologist at Old Salem, North Carolina, who videotaped five hours of Stan talking about the excavations he did at Bethabara and Old Salem in the 1960s. This footage will become an archival document from which bites will be taken to produce a videotape for viewing by the visiting public. Stan has had two books published plus a festschrift in his honor, and has edited a book by David R. Hodgin, entitled *Religion and the Modern Mind*, which is now in press with Parkway Publishers. Stan's autobiography, *An Archaeological Evolution*, has been published by Springer, and he has, at his expense, passes out over 65 copies to colleagues and relatives. Stan's 1959 MA thesis has been published by the Research Laboratory of Archaeology at the University of North Carolina. Entitled "Archaeology on the Roanoke", it covers the work he did on the stratified Native American Gaston site. The volume covers the work he did in the Roanoke Rapids basin with his wife, Jewell, and Lewis Binford, in 1955. Stan also was honored by the publication of the festschrift in his honor edited by Linda Carnes-McNaughton and Carl Steen, entitled *In Praise of the Poet Archaeologist: Papers in Honor of Stanley South and His Five Decades of Historical Archaeology*, published by The Council of South Carolina Professional Archaeologists. Stan is currently preparing to go into the field once again, with Chester DePratter, Jim Legg and Mike Stoner to excavate at Ninety Six National Historic Site from May 23rd to June 3rd. This was made possible through funding from SCIAA's Archaeological Research Trust and Jon Leader at SCIAA. They will be revealing and mapping the palisade ditch built around the town of Ninety Six in 1776, to protect against possible attack by the Cherokee Indians. Stan is now working on editing his next book, *Archaeology at Colonial Brunswick*, which he expect to be sold at Brunswick Town State Historic Site, where he dug between 1958 and 1968.

Chester DePratter and Jim Legg are working on the final report dealing with their recent excavations into the clam shell middens of Georgetown County.

Applied Research Division- Jim Legg and Steve Smith completed their Camden battlefield project. They also assisted the Low Country Council of Governments in locating Revolutionary War Fort Balfour.

Chris and Audrey are continuing analysis of the testing projects at Fort Jackson.

SRARP compliance surveys will be wrapped up in the next few months. Keith and Adam continue to work at the Mississippian sites, including Red Lake. Rob Moon is working at Silver Bluff on the remote sensing project. Melanie's book, *Plantations without Pillars*, is available on cd. DOE has stopped publishing books, but SRARP will sell them for \$20.00 each. Rob is now SEAC newsletter editor.

Chris Gillam, SRARP-SCIAA, recently presented research on the SRS predictive models at the SAA conference in Salt Lake City, Utah, and submitted an article on geo-referencing the SC fluted point database to *Current Research in the Pleistocene* for peer review. Chris' research with Andrei Tabarev (Institute of Archaeology and Ethnography, Novosibirsk, Russia) on Paleolithic obsidian trade networks in the Russian Far East was published in the latest volume of *Current Research in the Pleistocene*. Chris is working with colleagues, David Anderson (Univ. of Tenn.), Neil Caithness (Univ. of Reading, UK), Townsend Peterson (Univ. of Kansas), and others to develop GARP and CSM-based predictive models of Paleoindian site distribution in North America. The research will be presented at a joint NSF/ESF-funded workshop on hominid dispersal in France this September. Chris is also conducting GIS research for a National Geographic funded project in the Middle Parana River, Argentina, with colleagues, Jorge Rodriguez and Jose Iriarte (Smithsonian Institute, Panama).

Heritage Trust (Chris Judge)

Heritage Trust is nervous about how to protect Fish Dam Ford following recent media attention. There are two Childsbury metal detecting cases in court right now. The Final Report by Lichtenstein on Poinsett bridge is in production. Heritage Trust is accepting 14 acres in the Moss Creek area around Congaree Creek from SCE&G. There is a meeting scheduled with Beaufort County to work out the Management Plan for the Altamaha site.

PRT (Ashley Chapman)

Colonial Dorchester is holding two teacher workshops about teaching history and discovering South Carolina. There will be two full weeks of field school with the College of Charleston and the Charleston Museum at Colonial Dorchester. They will be excavating in the northeast quadrant of the town. So far, intact deposits have been revealed..

USC (Gail Wagner)

USC now has a PhD program in Anthropology, and will be accepting their first students to the program this fall. They are interviewing someone to teach Contemporary Indian studies. She has several students in need of jobs. Gail will not be conducting a field school this summer. Ken Kelley has students in Guadalupe.

University of Tennessee (update by Chris Gillam)

David Anderson has received 26 ASM dates from Shiloh. The mound clearing started around 1000 AD, with a main occupation dating 1100-1300 AD. A pollen core taken from the plaza shows charcoal burning ceased between 1300 and 1350 AD. David is awaiting TL dates. Chris Gillam and David Anderson are actively working on plotting Paleo sites for a conference in France, as well as a conference in the U.S.

USFS (Bob Morgan)

The USFS is working on its public outreach program. They are conducting walks and talks, guest tours, and accommodating special request groups. Internally, the USFS recently held an "Employee Day". There was a demonstration of Indian crafts, and Dr. Haire was the keynote speaker. Wayne Roberts took the group on a tour of Fish Dam Ford battlefield. In the McCormick/ Edgefield area, the USFS is investigating the adaptive/reuse of a metal truss bridge over Turkey Creek for pedestrians and cyclists.

ASSC (Nena Powell Rice)

Stanley South will be conducting excavations for the next two weeks (until June 4) at Ninety-Six. On June 4th, the ASSC will sponsor a major event around the excavations. The ASSC meeting will be held next Saturday to discuss the event. The 18th Archaeological Discovery Weekend will be held at historic Camden, beginning on October 1. Anyone who is interested in volunteering their services should contact Nena. Today Jim Legg is meeting at the Charleston Museum on the poster design. Nena made a formal request for \$400 from COSCAPA to help with printing costs. Chris Gillam motioned that COSCAPA donate \$400 to ASSC/ Education Foundation, Eric Poplin seconded. It was passed unanimously. Chris Gillam thanked COSCAPA members who've joined ASSC (now at 17 members). ASSC will begin sponsoring site visits throughout the year, which could tie into the certification program.

AF Consultants (Lesley Drucker)

AF Consultants has recently conducted cultural resources assessments and field checks and testing for private clients in NC and SC. They've recently looked at early to mid 20th century tenant farmsteads.

Brockington and Associates (Eric Poplin)

Several surveys have been completed around the Summerville area. They are working on three data recovery reports from Palmetto Bluff and Daniel's Island. They've finished excavations on an early 18th century occupation at Daniel's Island.

Diachronic (Carol Steen)

Carl is working on the analysis of 7 years of work at the Kolb site. He has recently done work at Bellvue Plantation (c. 1846) in Society Hill. He's looked at 19th/20th century structures in the backyard.

New South Associates (Natalie Adams)

Brad Botwick is conducting a month long survey in the Florida Everglades. The draft report on the testing at Shaw Air Force base has been finalized. Natalie is working on

National Register applications for sites around Big Bay at Shaw Air Force Base. The Yauhannah Bluff site analysis is almost complete. The trading post is thought to date from 1716 to 1718. They did find a 1722 coin in the area, along with 300 different features.

TRC (Bill Green)

TRC is conducting a shoreline reconnaissance survey on Lake Murray, and Bill recently went into the field with Chad Long, Chris Judge, and SCE&G representatives. They've found a cemetery and several house sites. They are doing a reconnaissance in the area in Abbeville County around Russell Reservoir. Sarah Counts is a recent hire from USC.

The next meeting was set for September 9, 2005, at Archives and History (if available). The meeting adjourned at 11:45 A.M.

September 9, 2005 Meeting Minutes
Council of South Carolina Professional Archaeologists
 Bonnie L. Frick, Secretary

On Friday, September 9, 2005, the Council of South Carolina Professional Archaeologists (COSCAPA) met at the South Carolina Department of Archives and History in Columbia. President Natalie Adams called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM. The following individuals were present.

Name	Affiliation	Membership Status
Natalie Adams	New South	M
Eric Poplin	Brockington	M
Rob Moon	SRARP	M
Ralph Bailey	Brockington	M
Kenneth Styer	RS Webb	M
Lesley Drucker	AF Consultants	M
Myles Bland	Bland & Assoc.	M
Gail Wagner	USC	M
Audrey Dawson	SCIAA	M
Chris Clement	SCIAA	M
Ramona Grunden	TRC	A
Chad Long	SHPO	M
Steven Smith	SCIAA	M
Chris Gillam	SRARP-SCIAA	M
Michael Murray	SCIAA	G
Chris Amer	SCIAA	M
Bill Green	TRC	M
Chris Judge	SCHTP	M
Tom Charles	SCIAA	A
Sean Taylor	DRF	M
Carl Steen	DRF	M
Adam King	SRARP-SCIAA	M
Robert Morgan	USFS	M
Sharon Pekrul	SCIAA	M
Ian deNeeve		M
Keith Derting	SCIAA	G
Jim Bates	USFS	M
Chester DePratter	SCIAA	M
Terry A. Ferguson	Wofford College	M
Nena P. Rice	SCIAA	M
Dr. Thorne Compton	SCIAA Interim Director	G
Kriste Shuler	Brockington	M

Eric Sipes	Brockington	M
Bonnie Frick	SCDOT	M

Guests to the meeting were introduced to the membership, and included Michael Murray (SCIAA underwater archaeologist), Ashley Pipkin (SCDOT intern), and Dr. Thorne Compton (USC). Dr. Compton, Associate Dean of the Department of Science and Math at the University of South Carolina, spoke to the membership. He discussed recent changes in management at SCIAA. Three years ago, Dr. Rippeteau stepped down as Director of SCIAA, and Dr. Jon Leader was appointed temporarily as Interim Director of SCIAA. During the previous three years, there was turnover within USC (Dean Stewart left USC and became President of Hamilton College) and there was no national search to replace Dr. Rippeteau. Recently, Dr. Compton was named Interim Director of SCIAA. He is not an archaeologist, and was hired to work with management problems and the administration at SCIAA. His job at SCIAA is to make sure employees at SCIAA have what they need to do their jobs. A national search for the Director position has officially begun. Dr. Compton congratulated Dr. Leader on his extraordinary job at SCIAA in the last 2 1/2 years.

Dr. Compton explained that there will be professionals from the archaeological community involved in the search for the Director of SCIAA, and that it is important to have a broad national search. According to Dr. Compton, Dean Fitzpatrick sees SCIAA an institute that serves a research function, academic function, a teaching function, and a peer review function, as well as having responsibilities as a state agency to the private sector. He sees many possibilities in the new curation facility. Money to renovate the facility will likely come from USC, state government, and private entities. He will have an office at SCIAA, and welcomes phone calls to discuss additional needs of SCIAA.

Secretary's Report (Bonnie Frick)

Bonnie asked if there were any corrections to the minutes. Chester DePratter motioned to accept the minutes, and Nena Rice seconded the motion.

Treasurer's Report (Adam King)

Treasurer's Report for COSCAPA Meeting September 9, 2005

As of our last meeting on May 13, 2005, our account balance was \$6,426.14. Since that time, we have received \$60.00 in dues and \$3.64 from our Interest Checking and Business Investment Accounts. Additionally, we gained \$240.00 in proceeds from sales of the Stan South Volume and \$220.00 in proceeds from the GPS Workshop in May. Our quarterly expenditures consisted of \$10.45 to reimburse Vice-President Eric Poplin for the May meeting refreshments, \$19.64 to reimburse Natalie Adams for shipping charges on the Stan South Volume, \$226.95 to Chad Long for GPS workshop expenses, and a \$400.00 donation to the USC Education Fund via Nena Powell Rice for the Archaeology Month poster. This brings our account balance to \$6,292.74. Of this amount, \$2,415.72 is encumbered for the South Carolina Pottery Survey and Planning Grant, and with the

deduction of \$600.00 in donations toward publication of the South Volume and \$1,277.85 in book sales for the South Volume, we have an available balance of \$1,999.17.

Of the 77 active COSCAPA members, 51 have paid this year's dues for a total of \$910.00, leaving 26 members with a collective outstanding total of \$500.00 who need to ante-up before the year's up!

Newsletter Editor's Report (Carl Steen)

Carl said he had extra copies if anyone needed them. He asks for submissions prior to the next meeting.

Membership Committee (Eric Poplin)

There have been no new applicants since the May 2005 COSCAPA meeting. At the May meeting, Sandra Reinhardt applied for Associate Member, and was voted to full membership status. Sandra did not feel she met the criteria for full membership. Since the May meeting, the membership committee has reviewed her application once more, and moves that she be accepted as associate member. After discussion, she was accepted as associate member. The membership committee will review her status again in a few years.

Nominations Committee (Wayne Roberts)

The candidates for the next term are as follows: President – Eric Poplin; Vice-President- Ashley Chapman; Secretary – Sean Norris; Treasurer- Keith Stephenson and Rob Moon. Chris Gillam will remain as Archivist.

Activities Committee (Wayne Roberts)

The committee continues its organization of a lithics workshop/site visit/ field trip. Please contact committee members with any suggestions.

Site Files Curation Committee/ COSCAPA SCIAA Liaison Committee (Eric Poplin)

The committee held no additional meetings since the May 2005 committee.

Political Awareness Committee (Chad Long)

The following COSCAPA members belong to the Political Awareness Committee, formerly the Political Action Committee: Dr. Jon Leader, (Chair), David Anderson, Chris Judge, Chad Long, and Lesley Drucker. Chad Long reported that Section 106 revisions are still up in the air. Another bill has been introduced to re-authorize Section

106 without changes. Bill Green will be leading a group against changes to Section 106 at the upcoming ACRA conference in Washington D.C. Lesley Drucker distributed a Position Statement on the National Historic Preservation Act from ACRA President Ian Burrow. In summary, it states that ACRA stands with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, the SAA, the SHA, and other organizations in opposition to proposed changes. The statement endorses the adoption of the Rahall/Christiansen bill reauthorizing the National Historic Preservation Act without changes to Section 106.

The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation has assembled a task force to potentially revise the human remains policy. They will be accepting comments until November 2005. Governor Sanford will be holding open discussion next week. The Hunley will be conserved by Clemson University. A bill (H3777) on geocaching passed in the house but was returned to subcommittee. It will be taken up again in January.

Standards and Guidelines Committee (Eric Poplin)

In August, a draft Standards and Guidelines was posted, and comments were received from five COSCAPA members and one non-member. There will be a meeting on September 9 in the afternoon to discuss these comments. A revised draft will be complete within one to two weeks.

ASSC/ Certification Liaison Committee (Carl Steen)

Carl has posted some ideas on the website.

Heritage Trust Ranking Committee (Bill Green)

The committee met on July 15 to discuss the possibility of re-ranking sites. The current list contains several sites that are now publicly owned or have conservation easements. The goal of the committee is to streamline the ranking process so that eventually some of these sites can be acquired.

SEAC 2005 Conference (Adam King)

The program for the 2005 conference, which will be held in Columbia, will be finished next week and will be posted on the website within the next two weeks. Adam needs five data projectors for the conference and asks to be contacted if anyone has projectors he can borrow. Gail Wagner is working on a volunteer list. The registration will be paid for volunteers, so please contact her if you wish to help with the conference.

Old Business

David Anderson continues work on the ceramics volume. Carl Steen recently received some images from Ron Anthony, which he has forwarded David Anderson.

Bill Green stepped down from the role of editor of SEAC Recent Contributions. Rob Moon volunteered to take over this role.

New Business

No new business.

State Historic Preservation Office (Chad Long and Valerie Marcil)

SHPO is in the process of updating/revising the 5 year statewide preservation plan, which will be posted on the Archives and History website. A suggestion was made to include a statewide historic context. Scanned National Register nominations have been posted on the website. SHPO continues to work with Duke Power on the Catawba-Wateree re-licensing project. Gail Wagner and Chris Judge are working on a scope for a data recovery plan at Mulberry Mound.

SCDOT (Wayne D. Roberts)

The non-metal truss bridge survey is on-going. SHPO has concurred on Phase I of the contract. Phase II (survey) will begin shortly.

SCDOT and FHWA continue with tribal consultation, and are on the verge of signing Memoranda of Agreements with the Catawba and Cherokee.

The GIS project is moving ahead.

Brockington and Associates completed a survey at an intersection in Lancaster County near Buford's Massacre site. Both fired and unfired musket balls were discovered. Additional investigations are scheduled.

Additional investigations are scheduled at Earle's Ford in Spartanburg County.

Office of State Archaeologist (Chris Amer and Adam King)

Maritime Research Division - Mike Murray has been hired to supervise to manage the Division's Charleston office and run the Sport Diver Archaeology Management Program. He received his degree from the University of Idaho and worked at the Florida Master Site Files before coming to South Carolina. Jim Spirek is finishing the Callawassie report (underwater survey).

Applied Research Division- Jim Legg and Steve Smith completed their Camden battlefield project. Chris Clement and Audrey Dawson are continuing analysis of site

38RD628 at Fort Jackson. Tommy Charles and Terry Ferguson continue to work on two sites on the Robinson Farm in Greenville and Pickens Counties. Fran Knight is conducting flotation studies on these sites. Al Goodyear will be the keynote speaker at SEAC, and will be speaking on the Topper Site. Chester DePratter and Jim Legg are working on the final report dealing with their recent excavations into the clam shell middens of Georgetown County. Stan South has submitted a report on his excavations at Ninety-Six to the National Park Service.

SRARP- Chris Gillam, *SRARP-SCIAA*, is working with colleagues, David Anderson (Univ. of Tenn.), Neil Caithness (Univ. of Reading, UK), Townsend Peterson (Univ. of Kansas), and others to develop GARP and CSM-based predictive models of Paleoindian site distribution in North America. The research will be presented at a joint NSF/ESF-funded workshop on hominid dispersal in France this September. Chris is also conducting GIS research for a National Geographic funded project in the Middle Parana River, Argentina, with colleagues, Jorge Rodriguez and Jose Iriarte (Smithsonian Institute, Panama). Mark Brooks continues work at Flamingo Bay. A graduate student is conducting investigations on a mound site in the swamp at Red Lake. Adam King recently conducted remote sensing at Etowa site and there were good signatures of buildings on the biggest mound. He also found a palisade with the remote sensing equipment. Keith Stephenson is working on an article about his work at Swift Creek. Rob Moon is working on the Silver Bluff report. The Bush report can be ordered through SCIAA for \$20.00. Rob Moon discussed the possibility of posting the Bush report on the COSCAPA website, and asked if it would be possible to post report titles and contact information on the COSCAPA website in the future. Valerie Marcil agreed to coordinate with Rob Moon on this. She has a list of titles of testing and data recovery compliance reports.

Heritage Trust (Chris Judge)

At Heritage Trust work continues on management plans for two properties being transferred to DNR for Richard B. Russell wildlife mitigation- Donnelley in Colleton County and Palachucola in Hampton and Jasper Counties. Next up is a management plan for the Yawkey Center in Georgetown and Bonneau Ferry Tract on Cooper River. In sad news, the BF Landrum waster dump has been looted.

Charleston Museum (Natalie Adams)

Natalie has spoken with Martha Zierden of the Charleston Museum, and Archaeology Extravaganza is planned for September 10.

USC (Gail Wagner)

USC now has a PhD program in Anthropology, and has accepted three students (two of them are archaeologists). Dot O'Dell has retired and Chris Judge is organizing a party at

the SEAC conference on Friday night in her honor. Gail is collecting photos for a memory book. Gail spent four or five days of field school at a site on Beaverdam Creek in Newberry County. The site is located in a broad floodplain and contained Early Mississippian sherds. There was a natural hill on the site, but no mound. The site is likely a Mississippian village. Heather Bartley is writing her Master's thesis on excavations at Belmont Neck.

Wofford University (Terry Ferguson)

Terry has been working in Greenville and will present a poster at the SEAC conference. The site in Greenville indicates a fairly large Pisgah structure, 40 feet or more in diameter. The dates indicate that the site goes back to the Middle Archaic period.

USFS (Bob Morgan and Jim Bates)

There is an ARPA violation case at a site in McCormick County. Law enforcement caught the looters and they will be prosecuted. They have returned the materials that they looted. The Chattooga River Coalition conference will be held in Clayton, Georgia. There will be a "tent night" on October 14, which will involve artifact identification.

NRCS (Jim Errante)

Soil surveys are now available for public access through the internet. A 14th or 15th century Catawba site has been discovered in North Carolina that appears to have some Spanish contact. There may be human burials on the site. NRCS/ Emergency Watershed Protection Program is looking for volunteers to conduct additional studies of the site.

ASSC (Nena Powell Rice)

There are 150 programs listed for Archaeology month. The website will be updated shortly. Nena is working with Terry Ferguson on compiling 14 years of archaeology posters and articles into book form. Natalie Adams is moving forward with the 1999 issue of *South Carolina Antiquities*, which will feature articles on Bear Creek and Dawes Island sites. The 2003 issue, which will celebrate the 40th anniversary of SCIAA, is in production. The Archaeological Discovery Weekend will be held at Historic Camden, beginning October 1. Nena has 12,000 archaeology month posters for distribution. Next year's topic will deal with South Carolina's Carribean connection, A committee is being formed to discuss next year's poster.

AF Consultants (Lesley Drucker)

AF Consultants has recently conducted cultural resources assessments, field checks and testing for private clients in NC and SC. They are also working on documentation of National Register properties.

Brockington and Associates (Ralph Bailey)

Brockington has almost completed a predictive modeling of archaeological sites for the I-73 corridor. There have been a number of surveys in the Charleston area. Eric recently completed fieldwork on a SCDOT bridge replacement project in Peak, located half a mile from the Broad River. Andrew Agha is working on two colonial sites.

Diachronic (Carol Steen)

DRF has rented office space in downtown Columbia and Sean Taylor has been hired as an archaeologist. A survey in Sumter National Forest will begin soon, and work continues on the analysis of several historic sites on Fort Bragg. Carl has almost completed the stone tool analysis of the Kolb site.

New South Associates (Natalie Adams)

Brad Botwick continues work on sites at the Beaufort Marine Corps Station. Natalie recently conducted archaeological excavations at the White House in Rock Hill. Work was done through the Historic Rock Hill Foundation.

R.S. Webb (Ken Styer)

Ken has conducted a variety of surveys in the Lowcountry. A sub-surface Clovis site was found in the Lowcountry, and Altamaha sherds were found at one site. Ken is currently taking graduate courses at the USC School of Environment, and is working with Rudy Manke on a project involving the Reedy River Valley.

TRC (Bill Green)

The Saluda Hydro-Electric Re-Licensing Archaeological Reconnaissance report has been submitted to the agencies for review. Phase I Survey for this project should begin soon. Mona is working in Berkeley County on 17th and 18th century historic sites. A data recovery is being conducted on a 19th c. site in Savannah (Water's Avenue). TRC is developing a Memorandum of Agreement for the Port Freemont site in Beaufort. Mona is conducting work on a lighthouse keeper's house on Parris Island.

Bland and Associates (Miles Bland)

Bland and Associates are finishing an archaeological and architectural report on the Suwannee Springs Resort, as well as a stabilization plan. They are working in Osceola National Forest, and at Fort Fanning. They are working on the stabilization of a sugar mill, as well as several cell tower surveys.

The next meeting was set for December 2, 2005, at Archives and History (if available). The meeting adjourned at 11:45 A.M.