

February 17, 2006 Meeting Minutes
Council of South Carolina Professional Archaeologists
Sean Norris, Secretary

On Friday, February 17, 2006, the Council of South Carolina Professional Archaeologists (COSCAPA) met at the Green Dorm on the campus of the University of South Carolina. President Eric Poplin called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM. The following individuals were present.

Name	Affiliation	Membership Status
Eric Poplin	Brockington	Full
Ashley Chapman	SCPRT	Full
Sean Norris	TRC	Full
Rachel Tibbetts	ACC, Inc.	Full
Dawn Reid	ACC, Inc.	Full
Leslie Drucker	AF Consultants	Full
Natalie Adams	New South	Full
Chad Long	SCDAH	Full
Chris Judge	SCHTP	Full
Carl Steen	Diachronic	Full
Sean Taylor	Diachronic	Full
Kara Bridgman Sweeney	Brockington	Full
Chris Gillam	SCIAA	Full
Jon Leader	SCIAA	Full
Adam King	SRARP-SCIAA	Full
Geoffrey Hughes	SRARP-SCIAA	Guest
Nena Powell Rice	SCIAA	Full
Gail Wagner	USC	Full
Annette Snapp	York Co. Museum	Full
Wayne D. Roberts	SCDOT	Full
Sarah Kautz	S&ME, Inc.	Full
Ramona Grunden	TRC	Associate
Sandra Reinhardt	THPO	Associate

Secretary's Report (Sean Norris)

Sean asked if there were any corrections to the minutes. Chris Gillam asked to amend the SRARP report from last meeting. The polygons for their site data should be digitized by late spring of summer. There was a motion to accept the minutes; the motion was seconded. Unanimous vote to accept.

Treasurer's Report (Keith Stephenson)

ANNUAL YEAR 2005 ACCOUNTING

INCOME

2005 Membership dues	\$1,100.00
2004 back-dues	\$10.00
2006 Membership dues	\$80.00
Proceeds from COSCAPA GPS Workshop, May 2005	\$220.00
Interest from banking accts	\$10.89
TOTAL INCOME	\$1,420.89

EXPENSES

7-Feb Stamps for dues notices	\$37.00
7-Feb Labels & envelopes for dues notices	\$22.42
18-Feb Meeting refreshments	\$10.90
5-May GPS Workshop expenses	\$226.95
5-May Arch Month 2005 donation	\$400.00
13-May Meeting refreshments	\$10.45
9-Sep Meeting refreshments	\$16.28
2-Dec Meeting refreshments	\$16.63
5-Dec Contribution to ASSC Grant in Aid	\$500.00
9-Dec Netfirms Web Hosting	\$59.40
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1,300.03

NET INCOME \$120.86

Total Year-end Balance		\$4,310.61
Encumbered for SCPS&P Grant	\$2,415.72	
Stan South Vol Fund	\$43.61	
Total South Vol donations	\$600.00	
Total South Vol sales	\$1,443.61	
13-Dec Reimbursement to C. Steen of South Vol proceeds	-\$2,000.00	
Available Year-end Balance		\$1,851.28

As of our last meeting on December 2, 2005, our account balance was \$6,515.62. Since that time, we have received \$340.00 in membership dues and \$1.90 from our Interest Checking and Business Investment Accounts (at 10% and 30% interest rates, respectively). Additionally, we gained \$45.40 in proceeds from sales of the Stan South Volume. Our quarterly expenditures consisted of \$32.91 to reimburse Vice-President Eric Poplin for the September and December meeting refreshments, a \$500.00 contribution to the ASSC Grant-in-Aid, and \$59.40 to Netfirms, Inc. for the ASSC webpage. Additionally, \$2,000.00 from the Stan South Vol. fund was transferred to Carl Steen for printing costs. This brings our account balance to \$4,310.61. Of this amount, \$2,415.72 is encumbered for the South Carolina Pottery Survey and Planning Grant and

\$43.61 remains in the South Vol. fund. This leaves COSCAPA with an available balance of \$1,851.28.

Of the 76 active COSCAPA members (63 Full Members and 13 Associate Members), five have paid this year's dues for a total of \$100.00, leaving 71 members with a collective outstanding total of \$1,290.00.

Archivist Report (Chris Gillam)

If there is any material for the archive please forward it to Chris Gillam.

ASSC/ Certification Liaison Committee (Carl Steen)

ASSC is generating its own web site. The liaison committee seems to be duplicating what ASSC is already doing. Having a link to ASSC on the COSCAPA web site was suggested.

Heritage Trust Ranking Committee (Chris Judge)

The committee has not met in last six months

Membership Committee (Eric Poplin)

The Membership Committee received three applications for membership since the last meeting. Applicants include Geoff Hughes (MA, USC- currently with SCIAA-SRARP), Josh Fletcher (MA, USC- currently with Brockington and Associates, Inc.), and Sarah Kautz (MA, USC- currently with TRC). All applied for Full Membership. The Committee recommends 3-0 (one member not responding) that the Council accept all three applicants as Full Members.

Newsletter (Carl Steen)

Carl has extra copies.

Political Action Committee (Jon Leader)

National Level

Utah Legislation: The state of Utah has two bills pending before its House of Representatives. House Bill 311 increases protection of Cultural Sites. SAA has voiced support for this bill. House Bill 139 would eliminate the position of State Archaeologist and would place excavation permitting in the hands of the State. The bill could undermine the cultural resource protection programs in the state and NAGPRA regulations. SAA has drafted a letter expressing concern over this bill.

Forensic Archaeological Recovery (FAR): FAR and SAA have teamed up to form a nationwide roster of archaeologists and volunteers for rapid-response efforts in the event of a mass-fatality disaster. Information can be found on the SAA web site.

Policy Statement on Human Remains and Grave Goods: A number of groups and organizations have weighed in on the subject. As of the meeting date a final policy statement has not been generated.

State Level

No new information on the bills affecting the state.

Charleston County Legislature ad hoc committee (Chad Long): An ad hoc preservation committee was formed primarily to discuss the protection and preservation of Morris Island as well as other issues. Chris Judge commented that the U.S. Forest Service is selling off tracts of land in Charleston and Oconee. Heritage Trust is opposed to this.

Bond Initiative (Chris Judge): A way to take advantage of large paper tracts that are now for sale in SC. Heritage Trust is asking the Legislature to float \$30 million in bonds that would be paid back over a 15 year period. Proposal originally passed through the State Senate, met some resistance in the House and is now back in the Senate. Gail asked if this would prevent Heritage Trust from purchasing any additional properties. Chris did not think that would happen.

Recommendation: Jon recommended that a letter on behalf of the Utah State Archaeologist recommending that the permitting process continue to be commensurate with the current state and federal laws. A motion was made for the COSCAPA president to draft a letter possibly in coordination with an organization of professional archaeologists in Utah; motion was seconded. Motion was passed, unanimous vote.

State Tribal Representatives: Jon announced the current representatives of the state recognized tribes. Carl suggested inviting tribal representatives to COSCAPA meetings. Jon proposed a motion to invite representatives of the state and federally recognized tribes of SC to attend meetings. Motion was seconded. Discussion: Gail Wagner suggested the possibility of generating a procedural or policy statement identifying who to contact among the tribes when human remains are encountered. Wayne Roberts voiced concern about tribal politics and legal ramifications involved with the creation of an MOA or signed procedural statement that would be presented to a combined group of state and federally recognized tribes. Chris suggested beginning with informal discussions with tribal representatives. Jon suggested establishing a liaison and working from the bottom up toward some sort standard or guideline when dealing with human remains and the tribes. A vote was held to offer an invitation to meet with tribal representatives. Motion was passed with one opposed.

SCIAA Liaison Committee (Eric Poplin)

The SCIAA Liaison Committee met with State Archaeologist Jonathan Leader and ESRI Project Manager Paul Gallimore on 15 February 2006 to review the status of the creation of the WEB/GIS based site files database. Eric Poplin (Chair), Ramona Grunden, and Lesley Drucker were present, along with Chad Long (SCDAH) and Jim Scurry (SCDNR) who were invited to provide technical expertise to the Committee. We reviewed the basic approach developed to date and discussed issues of access, digitizing, and appropriate attributes. The Committee is currently developing specific comments and will provide those to the OSA shortly and the Council at the next meeting. In general, we were very pleased with the progress and appearance to date.

The committee met in October, and spent time discussing survey strategies (shovel test intervals, transect intervals). They have established a few changes regarding accuracy of GPS equipment, and when this equipment will be used in the field.

A Beta version of the GIS database will be available before the final. The database will be accessible through work stations at SCIAA. A permanent state GIS/IT position has been established. Additional monetary support for the database will come from the University of South Carolina and from fees paid by individuals or companies requesting the off-site, on-line access to the database. Fees for off-site access have yet to be determined. Once the database is operational hard copy site forms will still be accepted.

State Historic Preservation Office (Chad Long)

Duke Power has presented its final offer for the Catawba-Wateree Relicensing Project: \$100,000 to fund archaeology and a cultural resource preservation plan at Mt. Dearborn on Dearborn Island (administered by PRT), \$80,000 for archaeology at Fish Dam Ford (UNC-Chapel Hill), \$400,000 for data recovery investigations at the Mulberry site (administered by WARP) and \$100,000 to support for research on the Catawba-Wateree River Basin (administered by SHPO). Chad has a copy of the Catawba-Wateree agreement for anyone interested.

The Preservation Conference will be held March 28, 2006. Topics will include Fish Dam Ford and battlefield preservation efforts in South Carolina.

SCIAA/State Archaeologist Report (Jon Leader)

Everyone is out in the field.

Heritage Trust Program (Chris Judge)

Working with DOT to accept Fish Dam Ford as a heritage preserve. Preparing to return to the Kolb Site with Carl Steen and Sean Taylor. Chris is preparing various management plans.

PRT (Ashley Chapman)

Preparing displays and exhibits at Dorchester. Constructing a model of the town based on preliminary archaeological investigations and historical records. Working on self-guided and guided historical and archaeological tours of Dorchester. Comparing the market place of Dorchester to Martha Zierdan's recent work on a historic market in Charleston.

USC (Gail Wagner)

Jacob Crockett will conduct a three week field school will begin at the end of May at the Mann-Simons site. A Saturday field school will be offered during the fall semester at the same site. Wednesday Archaeology at South Carolina Lunch (WASCL) will begin in March schedule can be found online. Landscape discussion group will meet after the COSCAPA meeting. USC might revert to a Public Archaeology Masters Program. Belmont Neck has passed through the nomination process to become an NRHP listed site.

ASSC (Nena Rice)

In conjunction with the Archaeological Conference Larry Babitts will present a public lecture on Feb. 17th, an after party will be held at Nena's house. The 32nd Annual Conference on SC Archaeology will be held Feb.. 18, 2006 from 9-4 at Gambrell Hall.

AF Consultants (Leslie Drucker)

Continuing to work on a number of surveys, CRAs and research.

Brockington and Associates (Eric Poplin)

Brockington has completed several large surveys. Testing of late 17th -18th century site in Dorchester. Working toward a data recovery of Altamaha Town. Working with DOT on a Data Recovery for the Combahee Ferry Historic District.

New South Associates (Natalie Adams)

Natalie has been working at the Plant Vogel expansion site along the Savannah River. Brad Botwick has finished a survey in Pickens County and is currently on a project in the Everglades. New South is opening a Greensboro, NC office.

TRC (Sean Norris)

Sean Norris is the new Program Manager at TRC. Draft and final reports are going out for various surveys and testing projects.

S&ME (Sarah Kautz)

Bill Green and Sarah Kautz are starting a Cultural Resources Division for S&ME, Inc. They are looking for Archaeologists and Techs. For information visit the S&ME web site www.smeinc.com, or call the Columbia office at 803-561-9024.

(Gail Wagner) Gail maintains a listserv of undergrads who are interested in doing fieldwork and volunteering.

York County Museum (Annette Snapp)

The Museum has a new director. Annette is continuing with her work and may be doing some research in the near future.

DOT (Wayne Roberts)

Beaufort Massacre Site: Brockington's Atlanta office has conducted some work at the Revolutionary War Site and mass grave in Lancaster County. Delimiting the battlefield. Musket balls were recovered in the area surrounding the known grave site.

Georgia Avenue Project: Palisaded Mississippian village. A number of structures have been found, so far no burials. A number of tribes have been associated with that area. Currently dealing with the Muskogee Creek Tribe. Site is buried as deep as 8-ft below surface.

Catawba River/US 21: Deep testing on the Catawba River. Nice geomorphology, no archaeology.

Historic Bridge Survey: Contact Wayne if you need information on an historic bridge contexts.

DOT will be announcing a permanent Archaeologist Position.

Catawba Nation (Sandra Reinhart)

The Catawba THPO is still in business. They have recently been involved in the Catawba-Wateree and the Saluda Hydroelectric Relicensing projects.

ACC (Dawn Reid)

Working on some small projects. Recorded some Civil War trenches and associated rifle pits. Dawn has been doing some faunal analysis. Bobby is the consulting archaeologist for the Hobkirk Field battlefield.

Diachronic (Carl Steen)

Tested four sites at Fort Bragg, two are pre-Revolutionary War sites, one 19th – 20th C. site and one site dated to 1873. Did some geomorphological tests, GPR, resistivity testing etc... Sean Taylor completed a survey in Sumter Forest; found 104 sites in 1400 acres. Returning to the Kolb site March 6-17.

Old Business

No old business.

New Business

Three applicants for membership: Josh Fletcher, Sarah Kautz and Geoff Hughes. Sarah and Geoff were present at the meeting and were asked to step outside during the discussion and voting. All three applicants were unanimously voted in as full members.

Eric Poplin has drafted a letter to the State newspaper indicating that the professional archaeologist in the state were not associated with the recent artifact show and do not promote the sale and collection of Native American artifacts.

The next meeting was set for May 5, 2006, at Archives and History (if available). The meeting adjourned at 12:05 P.M.

May 5, 2006 Meeting Minutes
Council of South Carolina Professional Archaeologists
Sean Norris, Secretary

On Friday, May 5, 2006, the Council of South Carolina Professional Archaeologists (COSCAPA) met at the South Carolina Department of Archives and History. President Eric Poplin called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM. The following individuals were present.

Name	Affiliation	Membership Status
Annette Snapp	York Co. Museum	Full
Leslie Drucker	AF Consultants	Full
Adam King	SRARP-SCIAA	Full
Keith Stephenson	SRARP-SCIAA	Full
Ramona Grunden	TRC	Associate
Bonnie Frick	SCDOT	Full
Bill Green	S&ME	Full
Carl Steen	Diachronic	Full
Chad Long	SCDAH	Full
Chad Funk	Fort Jackson	Guest
Josh Fletcher	Brockington and Assoc.	Full
Robert Morgan	U.S. Forest Service	Full
Natalie Adams	New South Assoc.	Full
Valerie Marcil	SCDAH	Full
Jim Bates	U.S. Forest Service	Full
Gail Wagner	USC	Full
Jon Leader	SCIAA	Full
Heather Bartley		Guest
Chris Gillam	SCIAA	Full
Eric Poplin	Brockington and Assoc.	Full
Ashley Chapman	SCPRT	Full
Sean Norris	TRC	Full

Three guests were present: Chad Funk Archaeologist Fort Jackson, Heather Bartley recent graduate of UGA and Thorne Compton Senior Associate Dean of Liberal Arts USC, acting Director of SCIAA. Due to other commitments Mr. Compton addressed the membership at the beginning of the meeting.

Mr. Compton indicated that a building has been acquired and is being renovated to house SCIAA. The new facilities will include a public portion as well as space for curation and site files. The move to the new building will occur sometime after September 1, 2006.

In addition to the new facilities SCIAA will be conducting a search for a new director. Candidates for the position will be in Columbia towards the end of the summer. There

will be an opportunity for the COSCAPA membership to meet with the candidates. Bill Green asked if there will be any individuals on the search committee not affiliated with the University. The position is considered a major hire and a significant research position for the university, there is an *ex officio* member of the committee who is arranging candidate meetings however the voting members of the committee will be made up entirely of university personnel.

Carl Steen asked about the Digital Photography Program that would visually record the artifacts stored at SCIAA. Mr. Compton indicated a desire to hire individuals by July 1. The goal is to hire individuals with expertise, not necessarily students or interns. The Office of Research has been asked for a grant to hire two individuals for approximately 18 months.

When asked about the qualities that the Search Committee is looking for in a candidate for the SCIAA Director Mr. Compton stated that the ideal candidate would be research oriented, possess strong credentials, someone who is a leader and not simply a manager. In the future he would like to see SCIAA produce peer reviewed articles and continue providing services to the community.

Secretary's Report (Sean Norris)

Sean asked if there were any corrections to the minutes. Chris Gillam asked to include the following information that was not present in the February minutes:

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Chris Gillam has been working with SRARP staff on enhancements to the archaeological geodatabase application. The SRARP will be making the transition to ArcGIS 9 to maintain compatibility with the greater GIS community on the SRS and improve a number of functions of the geodatabase.

Katie Quinn is continuing to work on the state's site database with funds from an R. L. Stephenson Grant to support GIS-based research on archaeological site locations in SC. The data will be available for distribution to colleagues when completed later this year.

Chris will present a geographic perspective on the Paleoindian record of SC at the Society for American Archaeology (SAA) Conference in April. He is also a co-author with David Anderson and colleagues at the University of Tennessee for an SAA presentation on the Paleoindian Database of the Americas (PIDBA). An article on georeferencing the SC fluted point database was recently published in the journal, *Current Research in the Pleistocene*.

There were no other corrections or additions to the minutes. Eric Poplin asked for a motion to accept the minutes. A motion was made and seconded; the minutes were passed by unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report (Keith Stephenson)

As of our last meeting on February 17, 2006, our account balance was \$4310.61. Since that time, we have received \$630.00 in membership dues and \$2.29 from our Interest Checking and Business Investment Accounts (at 10% and 30% interest rates, respectively). Additionally, we gained \$20.00 in proceeds from sales of the Stan South Volume. Our quarterly expenditures consisted of \$73.00 to reorder business checks, deposit booklets, and check notebook cover (the Office of the Treasurer has never reordered new checks since the account was opened in 1981 with C&S Bank. The bank has had two mergers since that time and is now Bank of America, but our checks are imprinted with the C&S and the 20th century date, so I thought it was time to catch up with the merger in the 21st century). This brings the account balance to \$4,899.90. Of this amount, \$2415.72 is encumbered for the South Carolina Pottery Survey and Planning Grant and \$63.61 remains in the South Vol. fund. The leaves COSCAPA wit and available balance of \$2,410.57.

Of the 70 active COSCAPA members (66 full and 13 Associate Members), 40 have paid this year's dues for a total of \$730.00, leaving 39 members with a collective outstanding total of \$720.00.

A discussion was held as to the standards required to be an active COSCAPA member. There was a question as to how whether a member needs to attend a meeting at least once every two years to maintain an active status, or if paying dues is enough to maintain active status. Eric suggested notifying individuals whose active status may be in jeopardy if presence at a meeting is required. The question was tabled until a review of the bylaws could be made.

SCPRT (Ashley Chapman)

Ashley is continuing with the survey and comparison of the Dorchester market place to Martha Zierdan's recent work on a historic market in Charleston. PRT is also continuing the digital photography project of the fort wall. The plan is to generate high resolution photographs of small portions of the wall in order to document change and track any damage.

Artifact Labeling Committee (no members present)

Committee has never met. Nothing to report.

ASSC/ Certification Liaison Committee (Carl Steen)

No activity since the last meeting.

Heritage Trust Ranking Committee (Bill Green)

No activity since the last time the committee met. There are some reorganization and budget issues within Heritage Trust that may result in the disbanding of this committee.

Membership Committee (Eric Poplin)

The Membership Committee received one application for membership since the last meeting. Heather Bartley (M.S. Geoarchaeology UGA) had applied for Full Membership. The Committee recommends that the Council accept the applicant as a Full Member. The membership voted unanimously to accept Heather as a full member.

Newsletter (Carl Steen)

Carl has extra copies. If anyone would like to submit anything for the next newsletter please do so. It was suggested that an updated list of the membership's email and mailing addresses be generated in order to ensure that everyone is sent the newsletter as well as dues notices.

Political Action/Awareness Committee (Jon Leader)

Heritage Trust/DNR

Tom Kohlsaas and Stuart Greeter are no longer with Heritage Trust. Issues with the organization of the Land Bank are unknown and the future of Heritage Trust seems to be up in the air.

South Carolina Native American Commission

Meeting will be held the weekend of May 6, 2006, with the Sherry Hutt Program Manager National NAGPRA Program, National Park Service, in attendance. A symposium/strategy meeting on repatriation issues will take place on Saturday and a Unity Pow Wow will take place on Sunday. All are invited to attend.

The issue of organizing a meeting with COSCAPA and tribal representatives was revisited. Eric will continue to pursue this as time permits.

SCIAA Liaison Committee (Eric Poplin)

No action since last meeting

State Historic Preservation Office (Chad Long)

A draft of the SHPO 5-7 year plan should be available for comment on the SHPO website within the next month.

The deadline for signing the Catawba-Wateree Comprehensive Relicensing Agreement is August 1, 2006. They are waiting on the results of the erosion study before signing the agreement.

The second phase of the North Augusta Mississippian Village Site data recovery has begun.

SCIAA/State Archaeologist Report (Jon Leader)

Jon expanded on the information about the new SCIAA facility. There have been meetings with the architect. Floor plans including flex space and office space are being finalized.

The digital photography program was also discussed. Jon indicated that professional photographers would be used to ensure the highest quality. The ultimate goal of the program is to be able to go to a collection and view photographs of the diagnostic artifacts. Carl asked who was going to determine which artifacts will be photographed. Jon said that individuals with advanced degrees in archaeology and anthropology as well as photography experience would be ideal for the program; he also indicated that the professional community should be involved. Both still photography and 3-D photography are possible depending on cost.

A Beta test of the ArcServer application will be available to the liaison committee for comment. It is not currently available to the entire membership due to server space.

Everyone else from SCIAA is currently in the field.

SCIAA has received a "Cold Case" award for 2005 for their forensic work.

SCIAA will also be getting new GPR and GPS equipment.

SRARP (Adam King)

Tammy Herron and Rob Moon are finishing their report on remote sensing and ground truthing at their plantation site. They also presented a poster at SAA on their work. Tammy was also at heritage day doing some outreach and presenting a poster of Tommy Charles' work in the upstate. Tammy and Rob will be Harris House in Augusta on May 20, 2006 for artifact ID day. Copies of the Bush report are still for sale and Tammy has a presentation prepared should anyone like her to present it for any group.

Rob has been doing outreach as well as shovel testing of historic land plats on the SRS.

Geoff Hughes has been working at the Bettis Academy in Edgefield County providing archaeological interpretation and remote sensing as well as a long term research and interpretation of the site.

Mark Brooks has been working at Crosby Bay near Aiken. He is continuing his work analyzing an Early Archaic activity area near another bay on the SRS.

George Wingard is working with Geoff on a cemeteries report for the SRS this will be a management document as well as ethnographic study detailing the artwork on the tombstones as well as some demographic information. George is also working on a popular history series on the churches on the SRS. He has been scanning the historic

photographs of structures and records taken prior to the take over of the SRS. He is compiling a geo-referenced database of the structures.

Keith Stephenson presented a paper at SAA on hunter-gatherers on the Aiken Plateau from a Marxist perspective. He is also continuing his dissertation research.

Chris Thornock will be starting the Masters Program at USC in the fall.

Aaron Brummett will begin thesis work this summer.

Emily Dale USC graduate student is finish work at Red Lake a mound center south of SRS.

Adam has two published papers that have recently come out.

Glen Hanson, one of the original of SRARP has passed away.

Chris Gillam has been working with SCIAA staff on Beta testing the ArcServer application for OSA. Katie Quinn is continuing to work on digitizing the state's site polygons with funds from an R. L. Stephenson Grant to support GIS-based research on archaeological site locations in SC. The data will be available for distribution to colleagues when completed later this year and will also be integrated into the ArcServer application. A paper on site distribution patterns in SC will follow and be submitted to *Southeastern Archaeology* for peer-review. Chris has also completed a revised model for Early Archaic settlement on the SRS and plans to submit that paper to *Southeastern Archaeology* this summer.

Chris presented a geographic perspective on the Paleoindian record of SC at the Society for American Archaeology (SAA) Conference in San Juan, Puerto Rico, on April 27th. He was also a co-author with David Anderson and colleagues at the University of Tennessee for an SAA presentation on the Paleoindian Database of the Americas (PIDBA).

An article on modeling Pleistocene shoreline extents for North America is currently under peer-review for the journal, *Current Research in the Pleistocene*. Chris is also co-author with a team of international colleagues on a summary article on Eco-Niche modeling from the recent conference in Les Eyzes, France. That paper has been submitted for peer-review to the journal, *Paleoanthropology*.

Chris' international collaborations are continuing to grow. Chris and Jose Iriarte, University of Exeter, have been invited to present a paper correlating archaeological site distributions in the La Plata basin with the waxing and waning of forests through time at the symposium, "Landscape evolution and human impact in South America during the Late Quaternary" in Seville, Italy, in July. The organizers have plans to publish the papers in the BAR series.

Chris and Rafael Suarez, University of Uruguay, are developing an archaeological GIS for modeling hunter-gatherer settlement systems during the Pleistocene-Holocene transition in the Uruguay basin. Rafael is currently seeking grant funding to record points in private collections and approximately 100 known sites and stone quarries throughout the region. Chris's efforts concern developing GIS data and analytical techniques for analysis of site distributions.

Chris and Andrei Tabarev, Institute of Archaeology and Anthropology, Novosibirsk, Russia, are beginning work on two collaborative projects. The first involves the development of fishing in the Maritime Region of the Russian Far East. The study will include an analysis of prehistoric fish weir locations throughout the region. The second study concerns the distribution and chronology of microblade technology in Siberia, Southeast Asia, Beringia, and Alaska. This study will involve the development of a comprehensive archaeological database including artifact inventories, c-14 dates, and site locations within a GIS for analysis. Resulting papers will be submitted to both Russian and English journals, both studies hold potential to be major contributions to the field. Chris has also been invited to present his research on North American Paleoindians in Novosibirsk in 2007.

Chris has also been invited to present an overview of archaeological GIS applications at an international workshop at the University of Lund, Sweden, in December 2006

DOT (Bonnie Frick)

Copies of the Fish Dam Ford Project are available. If anyone wants one contact Bonnie or Wayne.

The North Augusta project is continuing.

USC (Gail Wagner)

Field school will begin May 8, 2006 at the Mann-Simons site. Jacob Crockett and Gail will also be doing a one week session, June 19-23, at the Mann-Simons Cottage. Heather Bartley has finished her thesis on the Belmont Neck Site. James Stewart (undergraduate student) was awarded a \$3000 Magellan Scholar to write a senior thesis on Conagree Town. FERC has an agreement in principle and the Mulberry site landowners have hired an engineer to study riverbank erosion at the site.

Niles Blackburn has passed away.

U.S. Forest Service (Bob Morgan)

A Cultural Resource Overview of the Sumter National Forest is now available. A number of Forest Services projects will be advertised later in the summer. Jim Bates announced that Clemson University has hired a new archaeologist named Melissa Vogel.

York County Museum (Annette Snapp)

York County Museum has hires Steve Smith and Jim Legg to look for a battlefield. It appears that the northern edge of the battlefield is on Museum Property.

Fort Jackson (Chad Funk)

Chad is the new base archaeologist. The Fort is interested in comments and suggestions from the professional community on what the fort can contribute to the archaeology of the area and what would the community like to see done on the base.

ASSC (Chris Gillam)

The membership is stable and regularly attends meetings, if any members of the professional community would like to present a talk or paper they are welcome. Work at the Topper Site is currently underway and will continue through the first week of June.

AF Consultants (Leslie Drucker)

Continuing to work on a number of cell towers surveys. Surveyed an early 20th century site in Aiken. Leslie has also completed fieldwork on an Early Woodland lithic site near Lugoff.

Brockington and Associates (Eric Poplin)

Brockington has completed several data recovery project including the Combahee Ferry project for DOT. There is a colonial through early 20th century occupation at the site as well as a privy and refuse pits. The Heyward Point site data recovery has started. This is a Woodland Period mound site. Continuing work on a portion of Altamaha town. Surveys and road widening projects in Dorchester and Jasper counties.

Diachronic (Carl Steen)

Carl and Sean Taylor are working on the Sumter Forest report. Carl is also working on the Fort Bragg testing report. It was another successful year at the Kolb Site.

New South Associates (Natalie Adams)

Brad Botwick has finished a draft data recovery report for an Archaic Period site at the Beaufort Marine Corps Air Station. He will also be testing a shell midden site near Port Royal. Natalie is turning in the final report for the Yauhannah Bluff data recovery.

Natalie has surveyed areas of Plant Vogtle and found a number of sites. She is also assisting in the preparation of an environmental impact study for a nuclear plant in Fairfield County. Staci Ritchie is starting the standing structure surveys for Horry and Marion counties.

S&ME (Bill Green)

Conducting Phase I and Recon Surveys. Continuing work on the Saluda Hydroelectric Relicensing Project. The found a well preserved Deptford site there may be a possible Paleo component. David Leigh is going to do some deep testing at the site to determine the potential for deep deposits. A Phase I in York County recovered colonoware. S&ME is preparing for two data recoveries in Berkley County, one is a brickyard and one is a possible African American/Native American slave occupation. S&ME's architectural historian will be evaluating a 1950's era school house in Horry County.

TRC (Sean Norris)

Surveying a number of cell towers. Mona is working on a testing project on St. Helena Island. There are a number of shell middens present at the site. There appears to be at least two discrete occupations one a St. Catherine's Period occupation and one an Antebellum Period occupation possibly associated with Coffin Point Plantation.

Old Business

Bill Green suggested a committee or having the SCIAA Liaison Committee meet with the candidates for SCIAA Director. Gail Wagner suggested the committee generate a set of questions for the candidates. Eric Poplin suggested that the membership could submit questions to the Committee and the Committee would summarize and prepare a list of questions for the candidates. Eric also suggested compiling a letter and submitting it to the Search Committee prior to the selection of the final candidates detailing COCAPA's concerns and opinions on qualities the Search Committee might consider when deciding on candidates.

New Business

Eric posed the question of sending a letter from the membership or making some sort of comment to the director of Heritage Trust concerning the current state and future of Heritage Trust. Jon suggested waiting for input from Chris Judge prior to any comment from the COSCAPA.

Jon proposed a motion to recognize Niles Blackburn and his work at Historic Camden by having COSCAPA send a letter to his widow and make a donation of \$100.00 in his name to the Historic Camden Revolutionary War Site. The motion was seconded and

passed by unanimous vote. The text of the letter sent May 26, 2006, to Mrs. Ingrid Blackburn follows:

Dear Mrs. Blackburn,

The Council of South Carolina Professional Archaeologists would like to honor Niles Blackburn's long-time participation in the preservation of our heritage. We are making a donation to the Historic Camden Revolutionary War Site foundation in memory of Niles. We will miss Niles' passion and presence, but they serve as an inspiration to continue our efforts to preserve the historical and archaeological resources of our great State.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Eric C. Poplin".

Eric C. Poplin
President

The next meeting was set for September 8, 2006, at Archives and History (if available).
The meeting adjourned at 12:14 P.M.

September 8, 2006 Meeting Minutes
Council of South Carolina Professional Archaeologists
 Sean Norris, Secretary

On Friday, September 8, 2006, the Council of South Carolina Professional Archaeologists (COSCAPA) met at the South Carolina Department of Archives and History. President Eric Poplin called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM. The following individuals were present.

Name	Affiliation	
Frances Knight	SCDAH	Guest/Pros. Member
Valerie Marcil	SCDAH	M
Chad Long	SCDOT	M
Sandra Reinhardt	THPO	M
Thorne Compton	SCIAA	G
Nena Rice	SCIAA	M
Ramona Grunden	TRC	
Adam King	SCIAA-SRARP	M
Keith Stephenson	SCIAA-SRARP	M
Chris Gilliam	SCIAA	M
Annette Snapp	York County Museum	M
Natalie Adams	New South Associates	M
Steve Smith	SCIAA	M
Carl Steen	DRF	M
Wayne Roberts	SCDOT	M
Bonnie Frick	SCDOT	M
Jon Leader	SCIAA	M
Sean Norris	TRC	M
Eric Poplin	Brockington & Assoc.	M
Ashley Chapman	SCPRT	M

Two guests were present: Thorne Compton Senior Associate Dean of Liberal Arts USC, acting Director of SCIAA and Frances Knight, Interim Archaeologist for SHPO. Due to other commitments Mr. Compton addressed the membership at the beginning of the meeting.

Mr. Compton began with the search for the new director for SCIAA. There was a national search for the director and there are 5 candidates that are going to be interviewed starting toward the end of September and lasting through the end of October. Members of COSCAPA will be able to meet with candidates.

The three national candidates are from different backgrounds, but have valuable experience.

September 20-23, Charles Cobb, SUNY Binghamton, Anthropology Dept. Chair, SE Archaeologist will be here to interview. Thursday (9-21) at 5:00 COSCAPA members will have a chance to meet with him. A public colloquium will follow in the Anthropology Department.

September 28-30, Rebecca Saunders, LSU Museum. The same time to meet and greet will tentatively be Thursday (9-28) for COSCAPA members and a public colloquium.

End of October, Francis McManamon, US National Park Service.

There are two internal candidates:

Jon Leader, SC State Archaeologist, interviews in mid-October.

Adam King, SCIAA-SRARP

As the national candidates, the internal candidates also have a variety of experience. Mr. Compton stated that he was extremely pleased by all of the candidates. He also stressed that new director should be someone who is a major research presence in the state and at USC. COSCAPA members will be given a questionnaire to rate the candidates at the meetings.

Eric Poplin asked when a decision for the new director would be made. Mr. Compton said that it was such a lengthy process, it is hard to give a date, but mid-November is the projected time.

The new SCIAA building is not mythical. There has been a lot of political tape. The building is owned by the University Foundation, which is a private group. They will be leasing to SCIAA and the State Control Board is looking in to how leases between the University Foundation and the University should work. Have plans for construction, but are waiting for it all to get worked out. Plans are for a building that will blend the public and the University's needs.

The final subject Mr. Compton brought up was access to SCIAA site files, archived material, etc. Jon Leader had already developed a plan to make site files accessible digitally. The software is now developed and supposedly works and now 3 people are being interviewed to help bring this process together. A grant of \$80,000 from the University will go to hire a person(s) for both digital photography and repacking artifacts which will be available on the web and be interactive with site files. Moving artifacts will be a lengthy process.

Wayne Roberts stressed that artifact curation was not going as it should. It has been a continuous problem and he would like to see it streamlined. Discussed how projects have a deadline to be closed out and SCIAA is really slowing the process by not accepting/billing for artifacts. Mr. Compton said that the problem would be resolved, it is the first he had heard about it.

Secretary's Report (Sean Norris)

Sean asked if there were any corrections to the minutes. No changes to minutes. Eric Poplin asked for a motion to accept the minutes. A motion was made and seconded.

Treasurer's Report (Keith Stephenson)

As of our last meeting on May 5, 2006, our account balance was \$4,889.90. Since that time, we have received \$250.00 in membership dues and \$0.87 from our Interest Checking Account. Our quarterly expenditures consisted of \$29.77 to Ashley Chapman for February and May meeting refreshments. This brings our account balance to \$5,111.00. Of this amount, \$2,415.72 is encumbered for the South Carolina Pottery Survey and Planning Grant, and \$63.61 in the South volume fund. This leaves COSCAPA with an available balance of \$2,631.67.

Of the 80 active COSCAPA members (67 Full Members and 13 Associate Members), 53 have paid this year's dues for a total of \$990.00, leaving 27 members with a collective outstanding total of \$480.00.

Keith stressed that he would like for everyone to pay their dues by the end of the year.

There was discussion about how much dues are and if there is a list of those members who have not paid. An Associate Member is \$10 per year and a Full Member is \$20 per year. Some showed interest in having a list of members who owe dues passed around. Keith said to see him if you have any questions.

Artifact Labeling Committee (no members present)

The Artifact Labeling Committee was disbanded.

ASSC/ Certification Liaison Committee (Carl Steen)

Fall field day will be held on Nov.4 at Santee State Park. It will be focused on primitive technology and we are currently looking for sponsors. Another position could possibly open at the Institute.

Heritage Trust Ranking Committee

The Heritage Trust Ranking Committee is officially disbanded.

Membership Committee (Eric Poplin)

There were 3 votes for and 1 absent for the inclusion of Frances Knight. Fran was accepted as a full member by a unanimous vote.

Newsletter (Carl Steen)

Carl has extra copies. If anyone wants to submit anything, give to Carl.

ASSC (Nena Rice)

Nena discussed the Archaeology Month Poster. It is October 4 –November 4, 2006. It is being printed although there is a sizing problem. Discussed moving Archaeology Month to earlier in the year, around April/May to tie in with Native American Month. Carl suggested getting the poster out at the beginning of the year and keep the month the

same. The problem remains that the poster deadlines are hard to keep as it is. She requested \$400.00 for production of the poster and sponsorship. ASSC conference is scheduled for February 2007 and April 2008. Voted unanimously to give \$400.00 to ASSC.

Political Action/Awareness Committee (Jon Leader)

Chris Judge is no longer at DNR.

There is currently a position open at Heritage Trust.

Three people are being interviewed for a GIS position at SCIAA. Another position is possible to open up at the Institute. We need to keep a close eye on all of this.

Commission for Minority Affairs – three more groups asking to be N.A. entities.

The National House Committee HR5861 – Historic Preservation Fund, there are no changes. Tom Eubanks at LA passed away.

Native American Liaison Committee (Carl Steen for Chris Judge)

No activity. Chris is now teaching at USC-Lancaster in the Native American Studies Program.

SCIAA Liaison Committee (Eric Poplin)

No action since last meeting. Eric discussed the prospective SCIAA director and how to submit recommendations. Discussed if there should be a unified consensus or should members represent themselves. Decided it was not appropriate for COSCAPA to send a letter of recommendation. Eric can report on meeting through email.

State Historic Preservation Office (Valerie Marcil)

OCRM is now reviewing all MOA's. Submit to OCRM as well as SHPO. More information to come. Hope to have Chad's old position filled soon.

SCIAA/State Archaeologist Report (Jon Leader)

Three candidates are being scheduled to be interviewed for the GIS position at the Site Files. The committee is made up of Keith Derting, Lynn Shirley, Dave Cowan, Thorne Compton and chaired by Jon Leader. There will be a careful evaluation of the individuals for this very important position. The position is a rolling one, open until filled.

Applied Research Divison:

Chris and Audrey are finishing up the first Fort Jackson site evaluation report. Steve is working with the Francis Marion Trail Commission on Revolutionary War sites in the lowcountry.

Research:

Al: The excavation season at Topper went off extremely well this year for both Clovis and preClovis. A total of 120 square meters have been excavated on the newly discovered hillside Clovis occupation resulting in numerous Clovis point performs, one Clovis base made of porphyritic rhyolite, several macro prismatic blades and some hoof-shaped blade cores, and a variety of unifaces, including the enigmatic denticulates. A 64 square meter unit was excavated in a firebreak area with numerous three dimensionally plotted artifacts. There is a case building now for communication with NC Clovis people based on the high-quality metavolcanic tools thought to be from the Uwharrie area.

Graduate students from the University of Tennessee and Texas A&M helped supervise

this year and will be doing thesis and dissertation research on Topper Clovis. Topper now has a 50X70 foot building over the deep Pleistocene terrace excavations which are yielding lithics typical of the normal preClovis material from Topper found in the upper Pleistocene sands. A bend break tool with a graver spur was found down in the terrace plus an outstanding chert core which was about 50 cm above the 50K 14C dates. A documentary film is being made by a student at USC, Erin Curtis, who received a Magellan scholarship to create the film. It will be shown at SEAC in November. On October 21st, there will be a tour of the Topper site celebrating the new building which was raised using donations from individuals and businesses.

Tom: The crew is preparing to close site 38PN35 in Pickens County for the season. There is still some work to be done at 38GR1 in Greenville County and that will be completed this fall. From both sites; botanical samples are being prepared for analysis and carbon samples will soon be sent for dating. I have just finished a book review on "introduction to Rock Art Research" by David Whitley and have completed a draft document of South Carolina Rock Art Survey.

Maritime Research Division:

For the last month the staff of the Maritime Research Division has been conducting a remote sensing survey off Winyah Bay. The goal is to locate the remains of a 16th century Spanish nao, the Capitana of the fleet, wrecked on its approach to the bay in August 1526. The expedition of six ships and 600 would-be settlers arrived at Winyah Bay from Hispanola in August of that year to start what would have been the first European settlement in the New World. The loss of the Capitana began a series of events that doomed the settlement attempt to failure. For the next two weeks the MRD staff will be diving on magnetic anomalies to identify their origin.

Chester DePratter, Jim Legg and Henry Mintz are digging at the Spanish Pottery Kiln site at Santa Elena, looking for the waste dump.

Stan South has just completed his book "Archaeology of a British Colonial Town" and submitted it for review for a possible publication by the North Carolina Division of Archives and History.

Chris Gillam recently conducted fieldwork in northern Argentina with Jose Iriarte, University of Exeter, on a Taquara mound site. He is a co-author of a recent publication on Eco-Cultural Niche Modeling in the journal, *Paleoanthropology*, and has two papers currently in press; one for the edited volume, *Jomon Peoples and their Neighbors*, and one for the journal, *Current Research in the Pleistocene*. Chris has also received two international invitations to present papers at Kokugakuin University, Japan, later this month, and the University of Lund, Sweden, in late November. Chris will also present a paper at the SEAC conference in Little Rock, Arkansas, in early November.

SRARP (Adam King)

It's annual report time, so it's very busy. Also working on a synthesis chapter together.

Geoff Hughes is starting a research project on the Bettis Academy, a Jim Crow era school. His goal is to establish a long term archaeology and education program and will be starting fieldwork every Saturday starting in mid-September if anyone would like to volunteer, just let Geoff know.

Adam is working with the research division crew to do more fieldwork at the Red Lake Mound site in order to wrap up current fieldwork before the ARPA permit expires.

Chris Thornock is now in the Graduate Program and will be working with Adam and Gail Wagner on Masons Plantation, another mound center in the Middle Savannah River Valley on the SC side. Chris also has gotten permission to go the Hollywood site, which is located on the other side of the river (GA), and do a contour map.

Keith Stephenson talked about possible survey work with the Hitchcock Woods Foundation.

Chris Gillam said Katie Quinn, now a Graduate Student in Geography, is being kept on as Graduate Assistant and will be working on digitizing documents and GIS data/polygons. He does not know when the shapefiles will be available online. If anyone needs anything before they are available online, contact Jon and Chris will get back with you.

SCDOT (Wayne Roberts)

Chad Long has started work with SCDOT.

The bridge inventory and historic bridge survey is about to enter Phase 1-C. The Combahee Ferry fieldwork is almost complete. There is a submerged vessel which might be a pontoon from the pontoon bridge that was destroyed during the Harriet Tubman Raid. The 17 burials at the Mississippian site are likely to be greenspaced. It is possible by the next meeting to have an abbreviated ESRI presentation to clear up any questions. DOT is reorganizing its internal structure so hopefully this will free up some funding – stay tuned.

SCPRT (Ashley Chapman)

Trying to get an electrolysis facility for Dorchester. A new museum and venues around the park at Charlestown Landing.

York County Museum (Annette Snapp)

A 400 acre parcel that was donated was sold off. Some sites were found on the property. There is some controversy over the new museum site.

Charleston Museum (Eric Poplin for Charleston Museum)

October 14 is the Dill Sanctuary presentation on James Island.

Catawba Nation (Sandra Reinhardt)

Some shovel test pits for road improvements on the Reservation. Watching the museum situation.

Brockington and Associates (Eric Poplin)

I-73 survey is underway in Horry County. Wayne (SCDOT) summarized the Combahee Ferry and the Mississippian site in North Augusta. Andrew Agha is working on the south side of Charleston. A section of the city wall has been found, they are documenting it as they dig down around it. Eric has been working at Heyward Point, a mound site with shell middens that surround the mound. Alex is at the Altamaha town where they have now found 2 houses with trash pits.

Diachronic (Carl Steen)

Finished the Fort Bragg report and the Enoree District report has been submitted.

New South Associates (Natalie Adams)

Stacy Young is a new archaeologist with the Columbia office. Brad Botwick has moved to the Stone Mtn. office. Natalie is writing up some testing projects for the Forest Service. She will be going back to Plant Vogtle. Matt Matternas and Theresa Hamby did a small data recovery and found a Quaker cemetery grave.

TRC (Sean Norris)

Survey and testing down on James Island. Mona has found some new unknown pottery. A draft report is in and a data recovery is possible. Also an ongoing York Co. project for a pipeline. Mona just got back from doing a testing project there on a Mississippian site near Turkey Creek. Also lots of small surveys and cell towers.

Old Business

No old business

New Business

No new business

The next meeting was set for December 8, 2006, at Archives and History (if available).

The meeting adjourned at 12:00 P.M.

December 8, 2006 Meeting Minutes
Council of South Carolina Professional Archaeologists
Sean Norris, Secretary

On Friday, December 8, 2006, an abbreviated meeting of the Council of South Carolina Professional Archaeologists (COSCAPA) met at the South Carolina Department of Archives and History. President Eric Poplin called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM. Prior to the meeting representatives from ESRI conducted an extensive demonstration of the electronic site files. The following individuals were present.

Name	Affiliation	Status
Carmen Blands		G
Frank Johnson	Santee-Lynches Council of Gvt's	G
Harriet Hardee	Santee-Lynches Council of Gvt's	G
Lesley Drucker	AF Consultants	M
Wayne Roberts	SCDOT	M
Louise Moore	SCDOT Planning Office	G
Scott McAvoy	NAVFAC Southeast	G
Nick Ugolini	NAVFAC Southeast	G
Jim Bates	USDA Forest Service	M
Robert Morgan	USDA Forest Service	M
Joel Harrison	USDA Forest Service	G
Laura Boos	USCAE	G
John Sylvest	SCDAH	G
Monica Beck	S&ME	M
Ashley Chapman	SCPRT	M
Lee Tippet	Berger	G
Danny Gregory	Berger	G
George Smith	USDA/ Rural Department	G
Sean Norris	TRC	M
Ramona Grunden	TRC	A
Bonnie Frick	SCDOT	M
David Grigg	LPA Group	G
Sarah Scoma	LPA Group	G
Heather Robbins	LPA Group	G
Chad Long	SCDOT	M
Patrick Tyndall	FHWA	G
Randy Marrerd	City of Beaufort	G
George Swearingen	TEP	G
LaToya Grate	City of Columbia	G
Amy Moore	City of Columbia	G

Name	Affiliation	Status
Frank Frierson	Richland County Comm. Dev.	G
Sean Taylor	SCDNR	M
Brian Long	SCDNR	G
Darayl Jones	SC Forestry Commission	G
Bill Hulslander	Congaree National Park	G
Eric Sipes	Brockington	M
Kristrina Shuler	Brockington	M
Monica Eustace	City of North Charleston Planning	G
Kat Brenkart	City of North Charleston	G
Jana Bean	Wilber Smith Assoc.	G
Charles Cantley	SCDAH	M
Frances Knight	SCDAH	M
Lorra Bailey	Sumter City/County Planning	G
Emily Poole	Sumter City/County Planning	G
Dawn Reid	ACC, Inc	M
Rachel Tibbetts	ACC, Inc	M
Nicole Southerland	Chicora Foundation	G
Valerie Marcil	SCDAH	M
Rebekah Dobrasko	SCDAH	G
Tammy Herron	SRARP	A
Dan Bell	SC State Park Service	G
Bill Green	S&ME	M
Joseph McGill	National Trust	G
David Kelly	SCDAH	G
Richard Sidebottom	SCDAH	G
David Jones	SCPRT	G
Elizabeth Johnson	SCDAH	G
Sandra Reinhardt	THPO	M
Martha Zierden	Charleston Museum	M
James Hackett	SCDHEC/OCRM	G
Keith Stephenson	SRARP-SCIAA	M

Prior to the abbreviated meeting Valerie Marcil introduced Chuck Cantley as the new SCDAH reviewer. Chuck will be reviewing Chad Long's former region. SCDAH is also providing guidance for a Federal Grant Program for Archaeological Projects. These grants are not available for Section 106 projects.

Secretary's Report (Sean Norris)

Sean asked if there were any corrections to the minutes. No changes to minutes. Eric Poplin asked for a motion to accept the minutes. A motion was made and seconded.

Treasurer's Report (Keith Stephenson)

As of our last meeting on September 8, 2006, our account balance was \$5,111.00. Since that time, we have received \$140.00 in membership dues and \$0.13 from our Interest Checking Account. Additionally, \$280.00 was received in sales of the Stan South volume. Our quarterly expenditures consisted of \$581.49. Of this amount, \$22.09 went to Vice-President Chapman for the September meeting refreshments; a \$100.00 donation to the Historic Camden Foundation in memory of Niles Blackburn; a \$400.00 donation to the USC Ed Foundation for the 2006 Archaeology Poster; and a \$59.40 annual fee to Netfirms Web Hosting for the COSCAPA web site. This brings our account balance to \$4,949.64. Of this amount, \$2,415.72 is encumbered for the South Carolina Pottery Survey and Planning Grant, and \$323.61 is in the South volume fund. This leaves COSCAPA with an available balance of \$2,210.31.

Of the 82 active COSCAPA members (68 Full Members and 14 Associate Members), 59 have paid this year's dues for a total of \$1,100.00, leaving 23 members with a collective outstanding total of \$400.00.

Membership Committee (Eric Poplin)

January Parker has petitioned the committee for acceptance as an Associate Member. The committee recommends associate membership with 3 votes for and one abstaining.

Old Business

A question was raised regarding the \$2000.00 currently encumbered for the Pottery Guide. A motion was made to designate the \$2000.00 as a general publication fund. The motion was seconded. The vote was unanimous to redefine the funds as a general publication fund on the condition that the \$2000.00 was not a SCDAH grant specifically earmarked for the Pottery Guide.

New Business

Keith Stephenson requested \$500.00 for the ASSC Grant and Aid Program. The motion was seconded and there was a unanimous vote to donate the \$500.00.

The next meeting was set for February 16, 2007, at Archives and History (if available). The meeting adjourned at 12:00 P.M.