

PAC Spring Business Meeting

April 06, 2018

Attending: Bev Chiarulli, Seth Mitchell, Lisa Dugas, Kurt Carr, Kira Heinrich, Bill Liebekencht, Amy Covell-Murthy, Jon Libbon, Ira Beckerman, Rick Giedel, Sarah Neusius, Phil Neusius, Bill Chadwick, Paul Raber, Chris Kula, Jonathan Burns, Cathy Spohn, Mike Stanilla, Doug Mooney, Angie Jailett-Wentling, Joe Baker, Ben Ford, Hannah Harvey, Susanne Haney, Gary Coppock, Ben Ford.

Minutes from Fall Meeting:

- Moved that minutes of the last meeting be accepted. Proposed by B. Chiarulli and passed with minor edits.

President's report: (Bev Chiarulli)

- Good year expanding PAC's presence, but we have budget issues. We need to find additional funding. Reach out to colleagues.
- Participating in the Preservation Round Table, an advocacy group in Harrisburg whose efforts stemmed from the Keystone Fund. The group is encouraging organizations around the state to join to empower preservation groups around the state. There is a meeting in Philadelphia that is planning an event for 31 stories in 31 days.
- Rick Giedel noted Preservation PA is interested in having an archaeologist on staff. It's a good idea to have a PAC info. table at the conference.

Treasurer's report: (Lisa Dugas)

- Although we have had an increase in new members, dues contributions are low.
- Only 11 of the 78 members have paid
- We received fewer poster donations, only 3 corporate donations were paid so far.
- PAC sponsored the PA Heritage Conference, the Farm Show and PA Land Trust om 2017. We might want to consider reducing our sponsorships until our funds increase. Phil Neusius suggests a PAC sponsored and organized archaeology session for PA Preservation meeting to insure there is an archaeology session.
- PAC received a \$5,000.00 donation honoring Fred Viegh. The funds are in the workshop account and will be used to publish a booklet detailing Fred's methods and collections. Kurt Carr has more information about the plans for the publication.

Membership Committee:

- Encourage folks to renew membership and bring new members.
- The promotional flyer and post cards are complete and ready for distribution. Contact Lisa Dugas for information.
- Bev Chairulli mentioned corporate membership to increase members (we have to check the PAC Bylaws)
- Phil Neusius motioned membership committee consider various membership option and come together with a motion to add more membership levels (e.g. corporate, lifetime). Rick G. Seconded. Motion passed.

Consulting Party: (Lisa Dugas and Rick Giedel) 11 active projects

- Most of the projects are in western PA and include bridge replacements and roadway expansions.
- If folks are interested in being involved in the consulting party process, please contact Lisa Dugas. We would like build a network of people to participate.

Archaeology month poster: (Rick Giedel)

- Tim Carn of Navarro and Wright is working on the 2019 poster.
- Donations are being accepted for the 2019 poster now.

HATCH/PAC Scholarship Committee: (Paul Raber)

- PAC increased support to \$300 toward Hatch Scholarships.
- 2 recipients this year, Samantha Taylor and Ben Demchak.
- Preference given to presenters of papers/posters, and first-time applicants.
- How can we better advertise this award? Roger Moller suggested promoting through social media. Kira Heinrich suggested increasing the sum of funds and getting student activists for PAC and Hatch. Perhaps PAC can sponsor students like they do at the MAAC's.
- Paul Raber will take these ideas to the committee.

Speaker List: (Sarah Neusius)

- The speaker list is up and available on the website.
- Sarah will let people know to send contact info for the website.

Publications: (Paul Raber and Gary Coppock)

- Paul Raber deliver the Susquehannock volume to Penn State Press.
- The quarry volume is on the back burner until the Susquehannock volume is out.
- Paul Raber made a motion to increase the PAC contribution to \$1500.00. Kurt Carr seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Gary Coppock has gotten the industrial archaeology book out! He also suggested buying books at a discounted rate to sell to members as a member perk. Kira Heinrich suggested having a book raffle or donation, rather than selling because of sales taxes concerns for a non-profit.
- The PA Archaeology Book (formerly the Millennium Book) is in publication.
- Any ideas for PAC symposium next Spring?

PHMC report: (Kurt Carr)

- There are design changes coming for the Delaware and Susquehannock exhibits. Exhibits will promote Susquehanna resources and have interactive updates.
- The John Smith Trail will receive National Park Service (NPS) funding and the NPS will also contribute to the project.
- The PHMC is in the process of converting databases to better communicate with standardized datasets. So far, there are over 1400 complete within 3 years. Melanie Mayhew is working on this task.
- The Quaker Hills Quarry site was destroyed by a housing development.

PennDOT report: (Ira Beckerman)

- PennDOT recognized with a Governor's Award of Excellence. Joint effort with Juniata College and Penn State University. The project was to connect the existing Puddintown bike path to Orchard Road, completing a path between State College and Boalsburg.
- The cultural resources team recognized includes,
 - Scott Shaffer, historic preservation specialist;
 - Joe Baker, historic preservation specialist; and
 - Shelley Scott, transportation planning specialist supervisor.
- Jonathan Burns, Archaeology Professor, Juniata College

SHPO Report: (Kira Heinrich and Hannah Harvey)

- More new changes coming for the new data management system. Please refer to the blog post.
 - Open report and resource submittal through CRGIS. SHPO will still take some hard copies.
 - Monday July 2, 2018 is the deadline for electronic submittal, PDF format, 28 gigabyte, break-up large reports into smaller sections.
 - Do not include the Admirative Info page in reports
 - The Condensed PASS form is not for CRM firm use, for advocational archaeologists.

Archaeology Marker Initiative: (Hannah Harvey)

- SHPO is trying to get more archaeology sites marked
- Identify a site and prepare the nomination.
 - There will be a dedication ceremony
 - The cost is \$1600.00 - \$2000.00
 - Trying to get one site a year.

Motion to adjourn.