

**Minutes of the Board Meeting of the Central States Anthropological Society**  
**Thursday, March 22, 2012, 4 – 7 p.m.**  
**Waynesfield Room, Park Inn by Radisson, Toledo, OH**

Approved November 17, 2012

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

Present: Anderson, Buckner, Eberhardt, Feingold, Guinee, Hollowell, Hopkins, Kardulias, Kehoe, McKether, McNair, Ottenheimer, Ricke, P. Sandstrom, Stanlaw, Wagner  
Ex-Officio: Dow, Jacobs, McKinley

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT** (Margaret Buckner)

President Buckner called the meeting to order at 4 p.m. and welcomed officers and board members. She noted the presence of several past presidents.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT** (Harriet Ottenheimer)

M/S/P (Feinberg/Guinee) to approve the minutes of the November 2011 Board meeting as distributed. As of December 31, 2011 CSAS had 215 members (130 regular, 66 student, 2 joint, and 17 retired).

**TREASURER'S REPORT** (Harriet Ottenheimer)

M/S/P (Feinberg/Kardulias) to accept the financial report as distributed. As of December 31, 2011 CSAS had \$39,198.64 in its general fund. The White Award Fund had \$18,978.97 and the Dillingham Award Fund had \$18,466.59. The line regarding publishing costs reflects the actual printing costs of the Bulletin.

**FIRST VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT** (P. Nick Kardulias)

First Vice President Kardulias presented the final figures for the 2012 Toledo, OH conference. There are 135 presentations, 10 organized sessions, 18 volunteered sessions, and a film showing. Dr. Thomas Hall is the Distinguished Speaker.

**SECOND VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT** (Bill Guinee)

Second Vice President Guinee presented an update on plans for the 2013 conference. The conference will be held April 4-6, 2013 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in St. Louis. The hotel contract has been signed; the Crowne Plaza is a union hotel. Guinee brought up Clifford-Napoleone's concern mentioned during the November board meeting and he feels it was addressed satisfactorily. Regarding her concern with secure parking, Guinee noted that although parking is not the most secure there is paid parking nearby which should be more secure. He is exploring the possibility of a Cahokia tour, and would like to recruit Pascal Boyer as distinguished lecturer. Buckner mentioned she might be able to assist with this. Guinee reported that both Washington University and University of Missouri St. Louis want to be involved with sponsorship. Buckner indicated that SIU Edwardsville should also be contacted, perhaps through Dean-Olmsted. Guinee expressed regret for the conflict in dates with the SAA conference (Kardulias will be attending SAA) and would appreciate it if a past president could take on the Presidential duties in Kardulias' place. Buckner reminded everyone to organize a session. The deadline for abstract submission will be December 7, 2012.

**Incoming SECOND VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT** (James Stanlaw)

Incoming Second Vice President Stanlaw indicated his interest in having the 2014 conference at Illinois State University. There is a new conference hotel—a Marriott—and he thinks he can get free meeting space there. It is two blocks from campus, through the quad. The anthropology club can help with local details. There are smart classrooms. There is also a good ISU conference support center. Parking is reasonable and it might possibly even be free. There are local Indian organizations which might be tapped for entertainment; either Indian or Japanese music could be

invited. Mitsubishi could perhaps be approached for sponsorship or involvement. Illinois Western University, close by, might also want to be involved. Stanlaw thinks that Fred Smith (Mr. Neanderthal) might be tapped as distinguished speaker. Also, it is possible to fly to Peoria. There was general enthusiasm for the idea of ISU as host for the 2014 conference.

#### **IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT** (Robert Ulin)

In Ulin's absence President Buckner noted that she would take care of the officer travel reimbursement requests for the rest of the year.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

##### **NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE** (MaryCarol Hopkins and R. Lee McNair)

Nominations committee chair Hopkins detailed the final slate for the 2012 election as follows: for Second Vice President, Willie McKether; for Secretary/Treasurer Harriet Ottenheimer; for Nominations Myrdene Anderson; for board Andrea Abrams, Bill Beeman, Randall Davis, and Briggittine French. She noted that platform statements were received from all except Abrams and Davis.

**CSAS BULLETIN** (Alice Kehoe (and Amber Clifford-Napoleone)) – Attached  
Bulletin Co-Editor Kehoe reminded people that Clifford-Napoleone “does all the work” and that Kehoe's role is primary advisory. Sandstrom pointed out that several others assist with proofreading each time.

M/S/P (Feinberg/Sandstrom) that we officially thank both of our editors for their excellent work.

##### **AN EDITOR(S)** (Evie Dean-Olmsted and Angela Glaros)

As neither of the AN Editors were able to be present no report was given.

##### **ARCHIVIST'S REPORT** (Pamela Sandstrom)

Sandstrom reported that the back issues of the CSAS Bulletin from November 2007 to date are now available through EBSCO.

##### **WEBMASTER'S REPORT** (Margaret Buckner)

Buckner reported that there is nothing to report, and that she is willing to turn the job over to someone else if there is anyone who wants to do it.

##### **LIST MANAGER'S REPORT** (Harriet Ottenheimer)

Ottenheimer reported that managing the listserv is much easier now that AAA is managing the details. People can sign themselves up for the general listserv by going to [https://my.binhost.com/lists/listinfo/Aaasec\\_csas](https://my.binhost.com/lists/listinfo/Aaasec_csas) and adding the necessary information. New board members can request addition to the board listserv at [https://my.binhost.com/lists/listinfo/Aaasec\\_csas\\_directors](https://my.binhost.com/lists/listinfo/Aaasec_csas_directors) and Ottenheimer will then approve the request.

##### **SECTION ASSEMBLY REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT** (Rick Feinberg) – Attached

##### **STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT** (Audrey Ricke) – Attached

Ricke indicated that her research and writing are taking more of her time and we need to consider finding a replacement. Buckner asked her if she would help to guide the next person and she agreed to consider this as time allowed.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Proposed revision of Presidential track** (MaryCarol Hopkins) – distributed electronically

A lengthy discussion indicated that there was no clear preference for deleting the office of program chair from the presidential track. Feinberg suggested postponing the discussion and sending it electronically after the meeting. Everyone agreed.

#### **Meeting locations beyond 2014:**

Board members suggested contacting Bill Beeman to see if he is interested in bringing the meeting to Minneapolis or St. Paul in 2014 or 2015. Cincinnati was also mentioned as a possible venue to explore.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Reappointments (Margie Buckner)**

Reappointments were made as follows: M/S/P (Eberhardt/Guinee) to reappoint Feinberg to a three year term (2012-2015) as Section Assembly Representative. M/S/P (Feinberg/Eberhardt) to reappoint Clifford-Napoleone to a three year term (2012-2015) as Bulletin Editor. M/S/P (Eberhardt/Guinee) to reappoint Glaros and Dean-Olmsted to one year terms (2012-2013) as Anthropology News Column Editors. Ottenheimer mentioned that it might make sense to overlap the terms in future, as is currently being done with Bulletin Editorship but no action was taken at this time. M/S/P (Kardulias/Wagner) to reappoint Pamela Sandstrom as Archivist. Student Representative Ricke reminded the board that she wishes to not continue in the position but asserted that she is willing to assist a new person. Buckner will ask for new volunteers at the business meeting.

#### **Archiving Costs (Pamela Sandstrom) – distributed electronically**

Sandstrom reported that she is working with Lorraine Wang at the National Anthropological Archives and that we now have over 7 linear feet of archived documents there. They are developing a register for archiving sections. Going forward the NAA is proposing a deposit fee based on size and orderliness. We should be able to get our material archived for \$150, plus \$5.50 per foot, for an estimated cost of \$200. Then we should anticipate between \$200-400 per deposit, and to assume one deposit every five years.

M/S/P (Ottenheimer/Kehoe) to accept the charges that NAA levies for depositing CSAS papers, assuming \$200-400 per deposit, and one deposit every five years.

M/S/P (Feinberg/Kardulias) to reimburse Sandstrom for her travel expenses for depositing materials.

#### **AAA Policy on union hotels (E. Paul Durrenberger)**

As Durrenberger was not present, and nothing had been sent, a straw poll was taken, encouraging Durrenberger to bring a proposal to the board for consideration.

#### **Approval of 2012 occasional awards (Alice Kehoe)**

M/S/P (Feinberg/Kardulias) to accept Kehoe and Ottenheimer's proposal to formally recognize Bucko and Buckner with certificates of appreciation.

#### **Membership (Margie Buckner)**

Buckner said she would send her proposal regarding membership by email.

#### **2013 Budget (Harriet Ottenheimer)**

Item skipped due to insufficient time.

#### **COPAPIA/COPAA request (Margie Buckner)**

Buckner will send this by email.

### **OTHER NEW BUSINESS**

No sessions have been submitted for AAA. The deadline is April 15. We can do at least two full panels. Buckner will announce at Saturday meeting.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Neil Whitehead passed away today. Liz Brumfiel passed this winter.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7 p.m.

## **Attachments:**

### **BULLETIN EDITOR'S REPORT** (Submitted by Amber Clifford-Napoleone)

The due date for the September bulletin is August 31. That means all the award winners (contact information, photos, abstracts) information will be due, all of the early information about CSAS annual meeting in 2013, election results, etc. Also, it has become tradition to ask the keynote speaker at the Annual Meeting to submit their keynote lecture for publication in the September bulletin, so the local planning folks who are working with the speaker need to speak to him about submitting the lecture.

### **SECTION ASSEMBLY REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT** (Submitted by Rick Feinberg)

As is usually the case, there has not been much action in the Section Assembly between the AAA meeting in November and the annual CSAS meeting in March. There has, however, been action on two resolutions.

1. In response to concerns expressed by CSAS members Alice Kehoe and Herb Lewis, I introduced the following resolution (as amended):

The Section Assembly urges the Association's Executive Board to introduce a one-day registration fee (and the possibility of full fee waivers) for our annual meetings under certain limited conditions. The special registrations would be available to those who wish to attend or participate in specific meeting-related events such as sessions, workshops, roundtables, and "innovents," who are not professional anthropologists, and who would not otherwise take part in the meeting. The details of the policy are to be worked out by the Executive Board, keeping in mind the dual objectives: 1) to make our meetings as widely accessible as possible, and 2) that any change in registration policy be at least revenue neutral for the Association.

Of the thirty-eight (38) sections that make up the SA, thirty-three supported the motion, one abstained, and four did not vote. The motion, therefore, passed and SA convenor Vilma Santiago-Irizarry will be submitting it to the AAA's EB.

2. Alex Barker, President of the Council for Museum Anthropology, expressed concern about a couple of TV shows that glorify "pot hunters." He introduced a motion resolving (as amended) that:

the AAA Section Assembly: 1) communicate to the producers and network officials of the television shows "Digger" and "American Digger" and of any future such shows a shared concern that these offerings endanger our common heritage and increase the likelihood of further site looting and antiquities trafficking through unsystematic excavation of archaeological sites for commercial purposes and without appropriate documentation; 2) request that the American Anthropological Association (AAA) Executive Board (EB) similarly communicate such concerns on behalf of AAA as whole; and 3) request that the EB coordinate with the Society for American Archaeology, Register of

Professional Archaeologists, Society for Historical Archaeology and other archaeological and history organizations to communicate these concerns and develop other responses.

The motion drew 28 votes in favor. There were no votes against it or abstentions. Letters will accordingly go to National Geographic and Spike TV. AAA president Leith Mullings has also sent out letters expressing the association's concern.

In addition to these motions, Herb Lewis has called my attention to a request that AAA dues for retired members be substantially reduced. This has been with the AAA's executive board for some time. As SA Rep., I made an inquiry with Virginia Dominguez on Herb's behalf. The matter is still being considered by the EB and is now in the hands of President Mullings.

**STUDENT BOARD REPRESENTATIVE REPORT** (submitted by A. Ricke)

Following the results of a short survey sent to the CSAS listserv in Fall 2011 about possible professional development topics, I organized a panel entitled "Innovative Methods for Teaching and Engaging Students in Anthropology" for the 2012 meetings in Toledo, OH. This panel is comprised of professors from various universities in the mid-west and will offer the opportunity for professors and instructors in anthropology to share pedagogical approaches that have helped them overcome or deal with commonly encountered issues.

I recently received an email from an executive board member of the AAA student section asking for the mentoring opportunities that the various sections offer to students. I am currently preparing a submission for CSAS and will circulate the results with the board before submitting them.