



**Minutes of the Public Meeting of the
Board of Directors of the Florida Public Archaeology Network,
Punta Gorda, Florida
May 9, 2014**

The Board of Directors of the Florida Public Archaeology Network (FPAN), University of West Florida, held its annual Board of Directors meeting on Friday, May 9, 2014, in Punta Gorda, Florida. The meeting convened at 8 a.m. EDT and lasted approximately 4 hours. The purpose of the meeting was to review the past year's regional changes and general updates from committees.

The meeting was called to order by Chair Judy Bense at 8 a.m. EDT.

Roll was taken and the following directors were in attendance: Dr. Judy Bense, Chair; Ms. Lee Hutchinson; Mr. Paul Jones; Dr. Greg Cook; Dr. Lynne Goldstein; Mr. Robin Moore; Dr. Mary Glowacki; Mr. Terry Klein; and Ms. Patty Flynn. Dr. John Worth and Ms. Shorty Robbins were absent.

Others in attendance were Dr. William B. Lees, Executive Officer and Secretary of the Board; Dr. Elizabeth Benchley, staff advisor to the Board; Cheryl Phelps, FPAN Coordinating Center Office/Contract Administrator; FPAN staff from the regional offices; Dr. Mike Harris, P.I. at FAU.

Dr. Bense called for the approval of the agenda. Lynne Goldstein made a motion to approve the agenda, Patty Flynn seconded, and all Board members approved..

Dr. Bense called for the approval of the meeting minutes from the October 31, 2013, Board of Director's conference call. Lee Hutchinson made a motion to approve the minutes, Lynne Goldstein seconded, and all Board members approved.

Dr. William Lees presented his report starting with follow-up to the regional consolidations affected by the decrease in funding through the years. The way FPAN now functions may deem it necessary to revisit the Strategic Plan and possibly meet in the fall to revise. The Regional Director's meeting in April was productive and will be held again in February 2015. The annual regional staff meetings in Tallahassee with DHR will continue this October. The new regional personnel were introduced: Northeast/East Central Region - Kevin Gudisko and Emily Jane Murphy; Central/West Central Region – Nigel Rudolph at Crystal River; SE/SW Region – Melissa Timo at FAU Ft. Myers.

Dr. Lynne Goldstein/Terry Klein updated the Board of the Development Committee's findings: The committee is trying to find a way to raise money for FPAN other than E&G and to determine where it would go. Basically FPAN does not have the time for or experience in raising money. Two solutions were offered to the structural problem of becoming financially successful: 1) Become a 501(c)3, non-profit to gain and control distribution of resources; or 2) Establish

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partnerships with CRM firms and offer FPAN services of public archaeology to organizations that tap into Federal or State money for compliance with state laws FPAN not working for free. Paul Jones initiated discussion on a working relation and general acceptance so that it doesn't affect the CRM's bottom line. FPAN could make a list of services with a price brochure following a path of public outreach. Initiate contact with CRM firms to see what their needs might be. Dr. Benchley stated concern for extra work on staff for condensing CRM work reports, but this would offer the opportunity to hire more people to assist. Dr. Bense asked Lee Hutchinson and Robin Moore to identify CRM firms' wants and needs for discussion at next meeting, keeping in mind we are not a field-work organization. It was estimated there are about 25 CRM firms in Florida. Dr. Benchley would like to see CRM training for the new, young employees. Dr. Bense will contact UWF Attorney Patricia Lott for more assistance on ways to raise additional funds for FPAN. Barbara Hines suggested we look at specialty license plates as a source of income.

Terry Klein – Fieldwork Project – After reviewing different methods of handling field-work projects it was proposed FPAN find a partner in the state and be the entity to manage the paying participants who want the field-work experience. FPAN would collect and keep the fee. Age requirements need to be considered, and possibly pair 18 year olds and younger with a college student. Due to intensity of responsibility FPAN needs to consider if this is a project to pursue. Dr. Lees recommends FPAN take a look at the price of providing this service as a direct support situation. Another possibly is to look at partnering with a public lands project via research.

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Dr. Mary Glowacki – presented DHR updates

Paul Jones – FAC updates – Dr. Elizabeth Benchley is the incoming president of FAC. Lee Hutchinson and Dr. Bense encouraged the younger generation to become members, join committees, attend conference events, network, take names of retired archaeologists, get involved.

Patty Flynn – FAS updates – 2015 annual meeting in Bradenton, May 28-30. Jeff Moates is President, and Sarah Miller is on Educational Committee.

Regional Directors, Museum Coordinator, and Web Tech presented their annual reports.

Old Business:

Dr. Della Scott-Ireton – Assessing FPAN Staff – plan for assessing Regional Directors, separate from their host evaluation - objectives: 1) Report (numbers); 2) Site visits, Executive and Associate Directors participating in programs; 3) objectives and key results. Board members voted for Survey Monkey evaluation for administrative staff, due in mid-May.

Dr. Mary Glowacki – Project Maple Leaf – project to keep memory of Maple Leaf alive (a Civil War transport for equipment).

New Business:

Dr. William Lees – New FPAN brochures with rack cards.

No further business the meeting adjourned at 11:50 EDT.