

Board Meeting Minutes
Wisconsin Archeological Society
Silver Mound, Hixton KOA
August 17, 2019
Prepared by Seth Schneider

Attendees:

Board Members:

George Christiansen

Rob Nurre

Dan Joyce

Seth Schneider

Guests:

Jean Dowiasch – MVAC

- I. Call to Order
 - a. 10:08 AM by George Christiansen

- II. Approve June 2019 Meeting Minutes
 - a. Provisionally approved, will approve them at the November meeting

- III. Treasurers Report – Jake Rieb
 - a. Society received a donation of \$100
 - b. 258 members surpassing last years membership

- IV. President's Report – George Christiansen
 - a. Attending the Wisconsin Local Historical Society Conference
 - i. George Christiansen and Dan Joyce will be attending
 - b. Contacted Ryan Howell about request for funding
 - c. Received an inquiry from Poland about Radin and Ho Chunk villages

- V. Committee Reports
 - a. Editorial/Journal: Kent Dickerson
 - i. Journal publication: 2019 will be a combined issue, Spring 2020 will focus on Sand Lake, Fall 2020
 - b. Educational Outreach:
 - i. Possible Candidate
 1. Yes, Jenn Edginton might be interested in the position
 - c. Nominations & Elections: Seth Schneider
 - i. Nominees – Treasurer

- 1. Seth Schneider
 - ii. 2 Board Members
 - 1. Dan said that Jenn Edginton is interested
 - 2. George said he has someone that might be interested
 - d. Programs: Ryan Howell
 - i. No report
 - e. WAS Awards: Heather Walder
 - i. Nothing to report at this time
 - f. Preservation of Sites: Rob Nurre
 - i. Heim Mound
 - 1. Leaving natural vegetation
 - a. Long term management
 - b. Continue pulling out intrusive plants
 - 2. Potential fall burn with help of Middleton Fire Dept.
 - 3. Signage
 - a. Need money to use to make a 2' x 3' stand for the sign
 - b. George and Rob will work on a draft of the sign
 - ii. Lizard Mound update
 - 1. Washington Co. is looking to relinquish its ownership of Lizard Mound Park
 - 2. Discussion on how we can approach the State about funding to preserve these sites
 - g. Membership: Kurt Sampson
 - i. Membership reminder by email, make a fall push
 - ii. New T-shirt is ready and can be purchased on the website. T-shirt information will also be put in the newsletter
- VI. Compendium of Wisconsin Archaeology – Seth Schneider
- a. Reported that the prospectus has been updated and working on getting editors for different time periods.
- VII. Man Mound Update – Rob Nurre
- a. Approached landowners about acquiring the feet area on north side of road through sale or lease. Landowners answered NO.
 - b. The feet can still be painted
 - c. Care of the mound is still an issue
 - d. There is money to put together a master plan for the care of the park, but committees keep on being dissolved and the county is waiting on their overall master plan before moving forward with the Man Mound Park master plan.
- VIII. Regional Program

- a. Tabled for next board meeting and talk to John and Amy at WHS
- IX. Fall General Meeting
- a. Event will begin at the Hixton KOA and they are okay with us holding the event
 - b. Paul Gardner is okay with us giving tours on archaeological conservancy property
 - i. A waiver needs to be signed by attendees before they can go on a tour
 - c. MVAC will co-sponsor the event with the Society
 - i. Members of the Archaeology Club at UW-La Crosse will be asked to help with event.
 - d. Schedule
 - i. Tours
 - 1. 45 minute short tours
 - a. Groups of 20
 - b. Last tour to start at 3 pm
 - 2. 2.5 hour long tour
 - a. Ernie Boszhardt will give the tour
 - ii. Flint Knapping
 - iii. Local collectors to display collections
 - iv. Games
 - e. Financial
 - i. Honorarium
 - 1. \$100 honorarium to presenters
 - ii. KOA Hosting, provide a monetary compensation kickback
 - f. September 28th will be a work day to clear brush, mark the trail, and hang ropes along steep inclines, as well as an orientation to Silver Mound.
- X. Next Meeting -
- a. September 28th – Silver Mound Workday
 - b. November – Board meeting, Date TBD
- XI. Meeting Adjourned – 1:00 PM