

Friends of the Agua Fria National Monument
Cultural Resource Committee (CRC) Meeting
Tuesday, January 18, 2016
Deer Valley Petroglyph Preserve. 3711 W. Deer Valley Road, Glendale, AZ

MINUTES

Attendees: Connie Stone, Member/Chair	Mike Hoogendyk, Member
Chris Reed, Visitor (DVPP)	Barbara Gronemann, Member
Shelley Rasmussen, Member	Larry Ross, Member
Larry Kraft, Member	Peter Huegel, Visitor (DVPP)
Mike Nushawg, Member	Marie Davis, Site Steward & BLM
Lila Elam, Visitor (Site Steward)	

Call to Order: Connie Stone called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm.

Minutes: The minutes of December 15, 2015 were approved as amended.

BLM Update: There was no representation by BLM.

FAFNM Board Update: Connie Stone provided an update from the last Board meeting. The printer provided by Xerox is up and running. Tim Flood may be able to establish a virtual connection to it. There is a new phone number for FAFNM: 480-779-7414. There is a cleanup scheduled for 9:00am on Saturday, February 20th at the Black Mesa Entrance across from Sunset Point. Watch for an email requesting updates to contact information for all members. The Road and Range monitoring class on January 19th went off as planned. There is a public outreach event, “Agua Fria Day”, planned for Saturday, April 23rd, hopefully at Horseshoe Ranch, if it is available. The Outreach Committee offered their help for the March 5th Archaeological Expo at Casa Grande.

Perry Mesa Area Archaeological Happenings: The Arizona Site Stewards have been ordered to “Stand Down” relative to all BLM owned property due to insurance concerns. Mike Hoogendyk is leading a hike to Badger Springs Pueblo on Thursday, February 18th for less than 20 members of the AAS-Desert Foothills Chapter.

Old Business:

- 1. Project Archaeology:** There is nothing new on this subject since last month. There was supposed to be a meeting held in December, 2015 between interested parties, but if it was held, no information has yet been received by Connie Stone.
- 2. 2016 Arizona Archaeological Awareness Month – Archaeology Expo:** The form to reserve a booth has not yet been submitted. Deadline is February 1st. Connie Stone said she would see that the form either got submitted or got to Sarah Striker so that the Outreach Committee could submit it.
- 3. 2016 Arizona Archaeological Awareness Month – Badger Springs Petroglyph Event:** Shelley Rasmussen provided the information to Chris at SHPO and the event should now be on the calendar for that month – March 12th at 9:00am. Connie, Shelley, Barbara and Marie all indicated that they could help with the event. Members of the public desiring to participate in a hike to the petroglyphs have been asked to contact Shelley Rasmussen.

4. **Equipment Purchases Per New Budget:** Pete Reilly has begun to purchase the equipment approved in the Fiscal 2016 Budget. He is using his own credit card and then being reimbursed by FAFNM under an agreement worked out with the FAFNM Treasurer.
5. **Geocaching Links:** There was supposed to be an Internet link provided to the Committee which would allow investigation of all geocaches on the monument. That has never been received. Several members indicated that they would follow up to obtain that link.
6. **FAFNM Membership Forms:** Forms have still not been received by the Committee for distribution to its members.
7. **Coordination with Friends of the TNF CRC:** Trudy Mertens reported on this last month. No new information has been received since then.
8. **Timeline for history of CRC major events:** Although this was supposedly completed, the final write-up only included one of the two petroglyph site recording projects that were completed in 2015, the Wagon Wheel Site. The other site completed was the Sleepy Hollow Site.
9. **BCC Heritage Center Rock Art Interpretive Information:** Connie Stone, as reported earlier, had provided some interpretive information to BCC. They have asked for additional information on the Yavapai Tribe involvement and on Pueblo La Plata.
10. **Other - Site Signs:** Shelley Rasmussen has another Site Steward Archaeological Site sign for the Committee to use.
11. **Other – Wild at Heart Presentation:** Marie Davis will continue the coordination process with Sherri at DVPP.

New Business:

1. **Recap of 15th Annual Southwest Symposium:** Shelley reported that she and Trudy Mertens had attended the symposium, held at the University of Arizona in Tucson. The subject matter for the first afternoon was papers presented by Native Americans. The second day concentrated on ethnography and archaeology, connecting Mesoamerica with the Southwest through discussions of Macaws, turquoise, cocoa, eagles, turkeys and obsidian. The presentations were on a very professional level. The 16th Southwest Symposium will be in Denver in two years.
2. **Tri National Symposium in Ajo, AZ:** This meeting will be held March 7-10th and involves the Tohono O’odham Nation, Mexico and the Southwest U.S. Shelley, who has attended in the past, recommends getting your hotel reservations quickly as rooms will sell out. Registration for the symposium itself has not been opened yet.
3. **2016 Historic Preservation Conference:** Connie mentioned this will be at the Crown Plaza Hotel down by Pueblo Grande during June, 2016. The Arizona Site Steward program will be celebrating its 30 year anniversary.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Future Activities

2 nd Thursdays	6:30pm – 8:30pm	FAFNM Board Meetings at BLM Office
3 rd Tuesdays	12:00pm – 2:00pm	Cultural Resources Committee at Deer Valley Petroglyph Preserve
3/5/2016	9am – 4pm	AZ Archaeological Expo, Casa Grande Ruins Natl. Mon.
3/7-10/2016		Tri National Symposium, Ajo, AZ
3/12/2016		Badger Springs Archaeology Month Activity
5/27-30/2016		ARARA Annual Conference, Las Cruces, NM
6/2016		Historic Preservation Conference, Plaza Hotel, Phoenix, AZ

Bryan's Planned Field Dates for Archaeological Surveys

(Will be updated at the February, 2016 meeting?)

The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 16, 2016, Noon to 2:00 pm, at the Deer Valley Petroglyph Preserve, 3711 W. Deer Valley Road, Glendale.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael J. Hoogendyk