

SwartzDodd (Secretary); Andy Vaughn  
(Executive Director); Ed Wright (Chair of Development Committee); Marie Knoblauch; Joe  
Seeger; Eric Meyers.

Absent: B. W. Ruffner; P. E. MacAllister

1. Call to Order: Following a lunch that began at noon, the meeting was called at  
12:56PM by Susan Ackerman

Because Board Chair B. W. Ruffner could not be present due to an accident, President  
Susan Ackerman chaired the meeting

Executive Director Andy Vaughn was asked to fill in as acting secretary while Lynn  
SwartzDodd had to leave the meeting temporarily.

2. Approval of the Agenda: Approved by acclamation.
3. Approval of Minutes from the November 22, 2014 meeting.

Susan listed two corrections: a) under the treasurer's report, 0.2400001770258 612 79

5. Committee Proposal (from Honors and Awards Committee):

President Susan Ackerman presented a summary of the proposal. Committee Chair Laura Mazow. She explained that the Committee has desired to attach names to the "Popular Book Award" and "Annual Meeting Poster Award," and that the committee had been engaged in conversations about possible names for more than a year. The committee concluded that it would be good to name the awards after women because of the current ASOR awards named after men. The CCC endorsed the concept of naming the awards after women, and the CCC suggested that the Honors and Awards Committee consider women who were active ASOR members. The Honors and Awards Committee thus proposes that the "Popular Book Award" be named after Nancy Lapp, and the "Annual Meeting Poster Award" be named after Joy Ungerleider.

Ed Wright asked if the families of the person being honored or the person herself had been contacted to get their approval. Susan replied that we were waiting to contact families until the board has voted.

Be it resolved that the EC endorses the following recommendations from the Honors and Awards Committee

- ¥ That the previously created Popular Book Award be called "The Nancy Lapp Popular Book Award."
- ¥ That the previously created Best Poster Award be called "The Joy Ungerleider Annual Meeting Poster Award."

Further, the EC requests that the ASOR President contact the honoree's family of the honoree to seek approval and to confirm the specific designation. Based on these conversations, the ASOR President is authorized to make changes in the specific names of the awards as appropriate. Moved by Eric Meyers and seconded by Joe Seger.

6. Treasurer Report with an update on the SHI Initiative: Richard Coffman with Susan Ackerman

Susan Ackerman gave the update on the SHI Initiative. The cooperative agreement was originally \$600,000 and started on August 4, 2014. Although ASOR was authorized to include pregrant expenses starting July 1, 2014. The cooperative agreement was expanded to include areas of Iraq on September 22, 2014. At that time, the agreement was expanded to \$756,000.

Susan explained that the Department of State is very pleased with our work to date. Further, based on the likelihood that the conflict will continue, ASOR has been asked to make a proposal for a two-year continuation of the cooperative agreement. Susan distributed a confidential draft document that contains a proposed scope of work for year two of the project.

Tim asked to comment on the project. He said the project has done excellent work with the first two areas of the project mission: documenting damage and promoting global awareness. He suggested that starting in year two, more work be done on synthetic

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Be it resolved that the EC endorses the FY16 budget as presented in the Treasurer's report. Motion from the Finance Committee. Unanimously approved with appreciation to the Treasurer.

Motion to endorse the establishment of the MacAllister Fund:

Whereas ASOR instituted a campaign in 2013 to raise funds to establish a permanently restricted endowment account known as the MacAllister Endowed Scholarship Fund for Archaeological Volunteers; and

from time to time in the future. Moved by Joe Seger; seconded by Tim Harrison; passed unanimously.

Motion to endorse establishment of the Eric and Carol Meyers Fund

Whereas ASOR instituted a campaign in 2014 to raise funds to establish a permanently restricted endowment account known as the Eric and Carol Meyers Endowed Scholarship Fund for Archaeological Volunteers; and  
Whereas multiple donors contributed amounts, ranging from \$10 to \$25,000, to establish the account; and  
Whereas the aggregate contributions to the Eric and Carol Meyers Endowed Scholarship Fund for Archaeological Volunteers now exceed \$50,000; and  
Whereas the funds contributed to date have been invested according to the ASOR Investment and Spending Policy (posted on the ASOR website), the policy that governs the investment and disbursement of funds in permanently restricted accounts;  
Therefore, Be it resolved, that the EC recommends that the ASOR Board of Trustees formally designate all funds contributed by multiple donors to the Eric and Carol Meyers Endowed Scholarship Fund for Archaeological Volunteers (both prior to and after this resolution) as the permanently designated corpus amount (or historic dollar amount) of the Eric and Carol Meyers Fund. The Eric and Carol Meyers Endowed Scholarship Fund for Archaeological Volunteers will be invested and disburse according to ASOR's Investment and Spending Policy, which the Board of Trustees may modify from time to time in the future. Moved by Joe Seger; seconded by Tim Harrison; passed unanimously.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Treasurer and Finance Committee be authorized to take a decision about the FY 2015 auditors. Motion from the Finance Committee unanimously approved.

BE IT RESOLVED that the EC endorses the emendation of the Conflict of Interest Form for Question 9 as follows

09. Are you aware of any other events, transactions, arrangements, or other situations that you believe should be examined by ASOR's board or the executive committee in accordance with the terms and inte 0.24 0 0 0.24 0 0590SSOR's

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the committee went to great lengths to have a robust and sustained conversation by the entire membership as well as the board and CACC. It was generally agreed that the entire organization had debated this topic as much as was productive for the present time. Several people commented that it would be unwise to "tweak" the language during the board meeting.

BE IT RESOLVED: the EC endorses ASOR's proposed Policy on Professional Conduct and encourages the Board of Trustees to adopt the policy as written. Moved by Tim Harrison and seconded by Joe Seger. Passed unanimously.

8. Discussion Item: Memberships and Subscriptions (Andy)

Andy referenced the discussion in his written Executive Director's Report and asked if we could find alternatives to subscriptions revenue. He suggested that we restructure the benefits that people receive for memberships or institutional memberships. He stated that we need find alternative services that people will pay for. Ed asked if we know of a similar organization that has made that shift. Tim replied that this is a problem for all learned societies. Sharon suggested that this be

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The EC congratulated the President for a great report and all agreed that this report should be shared with Andy Vaughn formally.

BE IT RESOLVED: the Executive Committee endorses the recommendation of the Personnel Committee that Andrew Vaughn's contract be extended for ~~year~~ until June 30, 2018. ~~And~~ Marie seconded the Personnel Committee's motion and it passed unanimously.

A discussion ensued about the ~~estab~~ establishment of a pension fund contribution and the nature of salary emendations that will be forthcoming. Overall, a goal is to enhance the benefit packages for ASOR employees and to enable a 6% retirement fund contribution effective January 1, 2016.

Joe Segre encourages ASOR to find a well-documented pension fund mechanism, and Susan Ackerman replied that the vision involves lodging the funds in ~~TRAF~~ TRAF.

The meeting was adjourned by Susan Ackerman at 5:11pm.