The American Schools of Oriental Research Executive Committee Meeting April 30, 2004 - Boston Minutes

Present: P.E. MacAllister, Chairman, Larry Geraty, President, Loren Basch, Joe D. Seger, David Rosenstein, Douglas Clark, Executive Director, Nan Frederick for Personnel, Larry Herr for COP, Martha Sharp Joukowsky, Vice President, Eric Cline for CAMP, Burton MacDonald for CAP, Eric M. Meyers, Austin Ritterspach, B.W. Ruffner for Finance, Dick Scheuer, Life Trustee, James F. Strange, Secretary, Billie Jean Collins, Publications Office, Holly Andrews, Staff, and Selma Omerefendic, Staff

Absent: David McCreery, Ed Gilbert

Visitors: Dick Ballou, Artemis W. Joukowsky.

1. Call to Order—PE. MacAllister, 1:00 pm.

2. **Approval of Minutes of January 25, 2004 Executive Committee Meeting** —David Rosenstein suggested a change on p. 4 so that the top paragraph read as follows: "Discussion—David Rosenstein raises concern about Publications trying to become a separate entity. We cannot have two sets of these specific committees within the organization – this creates conflict. Larry Herr emphasizes that this document is about changes to the DP position, not the other operations of cop (such as the cop Executive Committee and the COP Development Committee), which are already part of the Manual, as per Annex F. He points out that they

out that we could 1.) maintain the status quo, 2.) develop under current arrangements or, 3.) develop with big ideas. He suggests that our vote in November means that we must implement option 3.) develop with big ideas. David stressed that we need to revise the Mission Statement so as to expand our mission to the public. It was pointed out that ASOR needs constituency-building. Doug spoke to the job description for the Director of Development, for the Development Director Budget, and for the search process as distributed.

Be it RESOLVED THAT ASOR adopt the actions proposed by Doug Clark, namely, approval of a job description for the Director of Development, for the Development Director Budget, and for the search process as presented in Doug Clark's report, with the additions that the board may make for continued refinement of the concepts going forward. Larry Herr moved. Martha Sharp Joukowsky seconded. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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- 9. **Old Business**: Why do not new Trustees take office as soon as they are elected? Doug will draft language to change the current procedures.
- 10. **New Business**: Jim Strange raised the question whether we should change the meeting date for this meeting so as to preclude interference with university graduations. No action was taken.

BE IT RESOLVED that ASOR accept the Leon Levy bequest of \$150,000 and that in conformance with the restriction of the Executors, the money be divided evenly between the three overseas centers and used for the enhancement of their library collections. Larry Geraty moved, Larry Herr seconded. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

BE IT RESOLVED that ASOR authorize the officers to appoint a Membership Committee after receiving suggestions from the Trustees. Larry Geraty moved, Larry Herr seconded. This is to advocate for individual and institutional members. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

BE IT RESOLVED that ASOR endorse in principle ASOR's involvement in the pottery volume that Sy Gitin is editing and empower the leadership of ASOR to negotiate with IES and the Albright. Eric Meyers moved; Martha Joukowsky seconded. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

11. **Adjournment**: The Chairman called for Adjournment at 4:34 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

James F. Strange, Secretary