

A. Discussion of the eligibility criteria for ASOR/CAP affiliation-Ann Killebrew. A list of ten questions was sent out to dig directors. Ann has compiled the responses and comments that she has found strong consensus on most items. She will circulate the report via email to Executive Committee members and others. The questions include whether ASOR will affiliate non-North Americans as directors of expeditions. Ann Killebrew will work with the President and to de

C. Agreed to support some continuing education costs (approximately half) of accounting assistant Selma Omerefendic.

D. Approved location and date of Fall Executive Committee meeting, September 20, 2008 at the ASOR office in Boston.

E. Voted to allot \$250 per participant from the Executive Committee that requested travel help to attend the February meeting. Voted to include \$350 per participant for the FY 08 budget.

F. Approved Christmas bonuses for all ASOR employees (except the Executive Director).

VII. Administrative Reports

A. Report from Treasurer Sheldon Fox. Two major areas will vary from budget. Membership/ subscription revenue was down for the first half of the fiscal year, but we have picked up revenue in the 3rd quarter. In another area, we will spend a good bit less on salaries because of the delay in replacing Holly Andrews and hiring a new staff member. The shortfall in subscription/ membership revenue will be more than offset by reduced staff salaries this fiscal year. Sheldon affirmed that everything looks on track to have a balanced budget again this year.

B. Chair's report waived.

C. President's report-Tim Harrison: Acknowledged Eric Meyers and Sheldon Fox's efforts in preparing for the meetings in Durham. He explained that he has spent more time on learning about personnel matters and financial matters. He feels very good about the overall picture. We are getting stronger by the day. There is a sense of optimism in the organization.

D. Report from Past President Eric Meyers: Thanked all present for coming.

E. Reports of Vice Presidents

i. Membership-Tammi Schneider, given earlier.

resolution of the Executive Committee one year ago, to wit: "Be It Resolved that the editors of ASOR's publications and the head of publication shall add a demurer to book reviews of books that treat material from politically contested areas and unprovenanced artifacts, that publication of this review does not represent endorsement of excavation or survey in disputed areas or publication of unprovenanced artifacts. PASSED UNANMOUSLY." Jeff Blakely will create a discussion in COP on this issue and bring a clarification from COP to the Executive Committee. Jim Weinstein has raised critical issues about BASOR: 1) poor quality paper, 2) no color, and 3) BASOR could be a slightly longer journal. The Committee promises to work toward improving the journal. They will secure some cost estimates to upgrade BASOR with good paper quality. The Opportunity Fund is now an investment fund. Tim Harrison suggested that COP needs to discuss how the Opportunity Fund is used. Eric suggested that Oxford U. Press would like to produce a supplementary volume for the Oxford Dictionary of Archaeology. This would produce an income stream to be paid to the Opportunity Fund. BE IT RESOLVED that the Executive Committee appoint Eric Meyers to explore an ASOR supplementary volume for the Oxford Dictionary of Archaeology. Moved by Tammi Schneider; seconded by Morag Kersel. PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

v. Report from Executive Director: Andy Vaughn recommended that every board member recruit one Contributing member. The Boston office has hired one staff person to work on membership