

Business Meeting Minutes
March 1, 2008
Liz Crowell, Recording Secretary

Carol Nash opened meeting
 Secretary Faye Stocum delivered report

Memberships as MAAC in 2007

- 253 paid members- 306 for 2001
- Bottom line \$667 profit from 6 memberships
- For \$25 membership, MAAC paid Roger Moeller \$22.50 for journal
- Lose money on student membership
- Make money on joint memberships
- Strongly encourage students
- Membership trend from 1997-2007:
 Lowest in 2004
 As of Friday 226 members
- Projected for 2008: +275
- For 2009-5 already members
- Lifetime Achievement Awards- still carry 4
- 459 names on roster, dropped 57
 Out of 57, 46 were folks who presented papers and paid, but never came back
- Carole- need to make membership more prominent on webpage
- Toying with idea to design poster for university & state societies- for membership
- Motion: Moved by Dave Mudge, second: Fred Carlson, motion carried

Laura Galke- copies final treasurer's report

- For FY 2007- last
- 2007- June 30th- \$29,256.66
- Last year- 4193.88
- Motion to accept treasurer's report: Dave Mudge move, John Martin second, motion carried

Secretary Liz Crowell Report

- Minutes distributed

Conference Rep.

- Liz Crowell recognized by Carole
 Liz recognizes: Aimee Wells, as program co-chair, Madhumita Basu and Melissa Thayer as Program Assistants for help with the program
 140 authored/co-authored (3 concurrent sessions Friday; 2 concurrent sessions both Saturday & Sunday)
 \$1500 from Maryland Historic Trust to print programs

Registration/Arrangements- Heather Wholey

- Ed- hotel- cooperative: needed 150 rooms
- Ed estimated 250 attendees- went over:
Registration 336 at lunch today; 80 walk-ins

Keynote- Martin Gallivan's

- \$250+ hotel
- Asked Robert Schuyler- something came up that he could not get out of- hope for next year- Keynote (Historical Archaeology)
- Talk with Chris Espenshade
- In 2009- Ocean City again- would like to do in 2010
- Ed- hotel with 150 sleeping room + meeting rooms
- Here- people come back year after year. If we move we cannot get locked into a weekend.
- John Haynes- nice facility; likes time slot
- Fuzzy Carlson- How long in the season before price goes up? Easter.
- SAA early this year.
- Emily Williams- understands that it rotates to negotiate hotel. Nice to pull in attendees from different areas. Need to approve location 1 year early. Should make bylaws change
- Dave Mudge- If we want to come to coast- limited. Maybe fixed rotation, predictable, moveable feast
- 2011 – 150th anniversary of Civil War- events could pick sites
- 2013 Gettysburg- 150th anniversary
- Roger Moeller suggest (at least 1 year in advance). Negative attitude toward economy. Don't know how student budgets would be
- If things don't work out cont. at high level- might have to go where affordable
- Carole would like to recommend that we stay here for 2010
- Article 7 section 1: there shall be an annual meeting of the conference. Detail shall be determined at least 1 year in advance.
- Change to: Approx. dates and location shall be determined at least 2 year in advance (window)
- Friendly amendment (adding "at least")- passed unanimously

Journal- Roger Moeller

- Roger- thanks to pres review, 3 manuscripts in the pipeline for JMA 24
- Student presentations- close
- Other contributed papers- at least 3- close
- Other people come through mailings from Roger- done at his own expense.
- Carole recognizes Roger for his contribution
- Chris Espenshade submit articles- painless process

Webpage- Alice Guarrant-

- 1 glitch- server went down 3-4 days, not out of room, would like to put history down of conference on website
- Delaware.net.inc.
- Recognize Alice for her work- thanks Alice
- Next- we have talked about PayPal service for years- thoughts/ recommendations
- Roger will develop
- PayPal- simple, MAAC 2009 meeting registration
- MAAC charged \$1,17- not set up, annual, continued, hidden fees
- PayPal.com- all done- put in for membership and registration
- Receipt right away, 16 digit account #- we get spreadsheet of registration and membership + net balance
- Appreciate that Roger is doing registration
- Board makes recommendation that this is accepted
- Discussion
 - Made \$\$- how reliable
 - Each attendee- registration and membership fee if they wish to present paper
 - Faye - experiencing PayPal will tell
 - PayPal makes entry- can break down though
 - Want to know who is registered/ more people
 - If more convenient- no checks from feds
 - Maybe more registrants
- John Haynes: combine on PayPal- could be split on receipt- for membership-reimburse
- PayPal- does it understand. When Roger gets confirmation from PayPal he can send receipt
- Lisa Young: will need data
- Howard MacCord: worried about identity theft- increases risk- would like to minimize
- Worth convenience- but...
- Carole: because volunteer organization- once registration is electronic- less worke
- Reasonable- give it a try
- Will cost- do not know how much- see impact
- What expenses- would there be savings?
- Saving in volunteer
- Chris Espenshade made motion to try PayPal on 1 year trial- Howard Wellman- seconded; passed unanimously

Student Sponsorship

- Sponsorship for 23 students
- Chris happy
- On back of program
- Recognize Sponsors- couple snafus: one lost laptop and withdrew paper
- One person- not a student
- Student Sponsorship to Pres-Elect.- thanks to Chris

Student Paper Competition

17 papers- two contests- awards tonight
Judges- Josh Duncan, Chris Espenshade, Bill Schindler

Student Committee

Give students chance to be matched with mentors- every year. Work with Roger
\$100 membership- request to have student winners be judges
Establish ad hoc committee, establish student committee- formally organize
Discuss a student committee-hope Josh would chair
Motion: Chris Espenshade moves, D. Mudge second. Motion carries

Awards Committee

- Liz /Lisa Young to be on awards committee
- Mike Barber- public outreach committee meeting this year

Slate

- Next to last- Election
- Slate: President Chris Espenshade, Heather Wholey, President Elect, Faye Stocum Membership Secretary, carries
- Carole's last term
- For next year
- Arrangement
- Carole/Liz-chairs for program
- Ed-Arrangements/ someone to reg.
- Howard MacCord moved, Roger seconded

Minutes

- Dave Mudge moved to approve minutes, Chris Espenshade seconded the motion, Motion carried

New Business

- Chris Espenshade, new MAAC president, thanked Carole Nash for her service to MAAC
- End of meeting