



**Minutes of the Public Meeting of the
Board of Directors of the Florida Public Archaeology Network,
Conference Call
Pensacola, FL – July 28, 2009**

The Board of Directors of the Florida Public Archaeology Network (FPAN), University of West Florida, held a public meeting conference call on Tuesday, July 28, 2009, in Pensacola, Florida. The meeting convened at 1:30 p.m. CST and lasted approximately 2 hours. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the revision of the FPAN MOA; discuss providing public archaeology services to federal agencies; staffing at North Central Region (Tallahassee); and long range strategic planning

The meeting was called to order by Chair Judy Bense at 1:30 p.m. CST.

Roll was taken and the following directors were in attendance: Dr. Judy Bense, Chair, Ms. Lee Hutchinson; Ms. Norma Harris; Mr. Paul Jones; Mr. Greg Cook; Dr. Lynne Goldstein, Mr. Robin Moore, Mr. Terry Klein, Dr. Ryan Wheeler, and Ms. Patty Flynn.

Other in attendance were Dr. William B. Lees, Executive Officer and Secretary of the Board; Dr. Elizabeth Benchley, staff advisor to the Board; Cheryl Phelps, FPAN Coordinating Center Office/Contract Administrator; Sarah Miller, NE Regional Director.

Dr. Bense called for the approval of the meeting minutes from the May 8, 2009 Board of Director's meeting. Corrections were offered by Dr. Goldstein and Mr. Klein. The minutes were approved as corrected.

The first order of business was the amendment to the FPAN Memorandum of Agreement which expires at the end of the current fiscal year. Dr. Lees' brought up five issues of change which were discussed with the Board and all proposed changes were approved. These changes added terms to all board positions and provided for the selection of the board chair; added the Outreach Coordinator as a required position at each Regional Center; limited allowable indirect costs in contracts for Regional Centers to 5%; increased required meetings of the Board from one to two; and provided for moving the placement of the goals from the discussion of Regional Center responsibilities to the section including the Mission Statement for FPAN. A draft will be prepared for further consideration at the December meeting.

Discussion followed of a proposal presented by Terry Kline's at the May board meeting and further developed in an email to Dr. Lees, and concerns possible additional funding to FPAN through Section 106 compliance by providing public archaeology services to federal agencies. A discussion ensued about how public archaeology is administered through the 106 process in Florida, and how best to influence and increase in public archaeology as a result of the expenditure of public monies. Common ground was found between FAPN, FAS, and FAC on

this issue and a combined initiative was proposed. Dr. Lees was instructed to conduct exploratory discussions with state preservation staff and with cultural resources staff of FDOT,

Dr. Ryan Wheeler informed the Board of personnel changes at DHR following the resignation of Fred Gaske from his position as Director of DHR and SHPO. Barbara Mattick has been appointed as SHPO and JuDee Pettijohn, Deputy Secretary of State for Cultural and Historical Programs is acting director for DHR. Dr. Wheeler is still offering the Governor Martin House as a location for a FPAN North Central office. Dr. Lees will begin the search for personnel to work this area. The Board approved this idea and location.

Dr. Lees has decided to hire an outside consultant to facilitate development of a strategic plan for FPAN. He would like to convene FPAN Directors and Outreach Coordinators prior to the next board meeting to meet with a planning facilitator, and to spend some time at the December Board meeting discussing the results. The Board requested that we have a planning retreat in between the first of the year and the annual meeting in May.

A number of issues were raised under new business.

The Board members were impressed with the Regional Center's quarterly reports. Dr. Lees will discuss report uniformity with the directors. Praise was given to the Central Region for their report which was tied closely to their goals, and to the Northeast Region for working with handicapped children.

Robin Moore asked about the transition of the Southeast Region to an operational model similar to all other regions. Dr. Lees discussed the successful negotiations with Florida Atlantic University to arrive at a new work plan and budget, and announced that they as well as the East Central Region, Southwest Region, and Northwest Region would be hiring Outreach Coordinators in the very near future. In addition, the West Central Region will be hiring an Outreach Specialist to focus on local governments.

Dr. Lees brought before the board an inquiry from Carol Pope, who manages the Windover Archaeological Site through the Preservation Education Trust. She is attempting to sell this site to Florida Forever and is looking for an organization willing to manage the site should this purchase go through. She is asking that FPAN consider the management of this property. The Board declined this offer.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for early December and the members would like to meet at one of the Regional Centers. The Northeast Region was suggested.

No further business the meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m. CST.