aaa Board Meeting 2-6-2014

Notes by Vivian Bowman

- I. Call to order 11:30am
- II. Roll call: phone in: Joan, April, Jeff, Robin, Molly, Vivian
- III. Items to be added to agenda: none
- IV. Topics to be discuss
 - a. UAA Anthropology Department Proposal to sponsor 2015 Annual Conference
 - Motioned by Robin Mills: Be it motioned that the aaa Board accepts the UAA Anthropology Dept. to sponsor the 2015 Annual Conference in Anchorage. Seconded by Molly Odell. Motion passed unanimously.
 - b. PEG request for funding
 - i. Archaeology Month Speaker Series (2014)
 - 1. Speaker for this series is Jeff Rasic.
 - a. Jeff Rasic formally excused himself discussion and voting on this proposal.
 - b. Motioned by Molly Odell: Be it motioned that the aaa Board will fund up to \$2,000 for the proposed Archaeology Month Speaker Series involving public presentations in Fairbanks, Anchorage, Nome and Kotzebue. Seconded by Robin Mills. Motioned passed by three board members.
 - 2. Development of reusable interpretive and teaching tools for Atlatl and dart throwing demonstrations.

Motioned by April Laktonen Counceller: Be it motioned that the aaa Board will fund up to \$1,500 for the proposed purchase of materials and services for the development of education materials in support of the Atlatl educational outreach activities. Seconded by Robin Mills. Unanimously passed.

c. Scholarships Concerns

- Amy Steffian requested formal guidance from the Board regarding applying the criteria and the possibility of giving more than one award per scholarship type.
 - 1. Board discussed existing wording on scholarship applications' stated criteria. Board recognized ambiguity in the wording of the scope of eligibility criteria. Consensus was that we need to following guidelines as they exist for this funding year.
 - 2. If the committee feels more than one award per scholarship is warranted then it will be given to the board for consideration and approval. Awarding multiple scholarship winners in any one

category is a rarity not a rule. Board is concerned about sustainability of granting multiple awards.

- ii. Board agreed Scholarship scope and formatting should be modified to reflect the specific scholarship award rather than a generic scope. Joan and Vivian to provide drafts after conference.
- iii. Board found the draft for the scholarship procedures acceptable and encourages association to be proactive in soliciting applications.
- d. Fiscal Sponsorship for grantees outside the aaa membership
 - i. The aaa was approached by Brice Habeger Video Production Manager of Piksik with a request to partner with Piksik with regard to their application for a humanities fund grant which is due Friday, February 7, 2014. The Board responded that unless the project benefits the missions of the aaa directly, they would not be considered.
 - ii. The Board discussed a possibility of being a fiscal sponsor of grants in the future. But only if we have the staff to do so and the monetary compensation received by the association makes it a profited endeavor.
- e. The Board will be receiving a proposal from Coulier Graphics to update the code for our website. This will be reviewed at a meeting later this month. The existing code is over 5 years old and creating incompatibilities with current technology. Updates are needed.