

Alaska Anthropology Association
Board Meeting
Thursday September 3, 2015 12:00-1:00 PM

- I. Call to order 12:04 pm
- II. Roll Call
Present by telephone: Bill Hedman, Brinnen Carter, Vivian Bowman, Julie Esdale, Shelby Anderson, Kelly Eldridge
- III. Agenda
 1. Newsletter. President's letter for the newsletter is due on the 5th. *We need to add our items to that.*
 2. AAA meeting Update. (Brinnen Carter) Reserving Sitka Fine Arts center for the dates March 6-8. Will need a deposit to hold the space. What are the options for hotel, airfare, link to the website, let's get as much as possible for the website. December 15 for symposia and January 15 for abstracts. Put conference info on the website and look at creating an online form for abstract submission. We need to send themes to Brinnen through the group. Kelly will check out the web abstract option.
 3. Online article access. We voted on email for open access to the journal up to the last two years plus anything publically funded. Kelly now has an open access tab under publications. The journal will be available there as entire volumes. Students are helping out scanning items for the website. Kelly is changing the shop to being available anywhere in the world and will include shipping costs.
 4. Book orders. We need to assign someone to grab the books and send them out. We could get a card for whomever is in charge of the mailing. Bill will email Joan and see if she would like to do that. Jason might be available to do that or Julie can do it up here. Kelly will ask Billy where the money is going, it is getting lost in the loop somewhere. Billy, Bill, Vivian, and Kelly conference call.
 5. Decision on changes to scholarship and award criteria. Web discussion has occurred. Shelby will write a motion for an email vote. Shelby thinks we need to vote on the fact that it is scholarships for Northern Scholars. She will work with the committee to develop the protocol for scoring and then we will vote on that later.
 6. Support of ACZ, AHRS, and other groups. Bill sent Morgan Blanchard an email to see if AHRS group needed any support but hasn't heard back from him. We discussed how we can make support equitable across subgroups? We need

to let the membership know what we are spending but will evaluate on a case by case basis. Kelly asked about the money given for the ACZ scholarship in the name of Christina Jensen, is it gone. Kelly will ask Diane Hansen about that. Kelly will also bring financial info to the ACZ meeting in October for them to discuss.

IV. Financial Report:

Dues membership year ends September 30th and begins October 1. We had folks register during the summer. But they only get benefits half a year. Does that matter? We have decided to let them bring it up if they didn't mean to become members in the summer.

V. General Discussion

1. Web page ideas. Bill appreciates all of Kelly's work on the webpage. Bill has more ideas. For example a blog type log with an event or story that people could comment on. A second idea is a slideshow on projects. Kelly suggests that we put a blog up under news, or as a separate tag. We could also put a link to facebook. Kelly will put a link on the web site.

2. Journal editors. Erica is leaving. Bill and Ken will discuss and see if they have any ideas for a replacement. Bill thinks Robin Mills would be great at that job.

3. Action items.

- a. Julie will send an email to the board for suggestions for meeting themes and speakers. The board will respond. Brenden will choose from the ideas.
- b. Kelly will look into how to create a web abstract form and see if that is something that can go on our website.
- c. Bill, Billy, Vivian, and Kelly will have a conference call concerning the lost money from book orders and journal articles.
- d. Shelby will write a motion regarding scholarship criteria for the board to vote on.
- e. Shelby will have the scholarship committee write up their scoring criteria for the board to vote on.
- f. Kelly will talk to the ACZ board about the balance of the Christina Jensen scholarship fund and see if they would like to discuss finances with Vivian.
- g. Kelly will put a link to our facebook account on the website.
- h. Pending the vote of the board, Shelby will edit the scholarship/award forms and get them posted online with Kelly's help later this month.

VI. Meeting adjourned 1:27 pm.