

**Alaska Anthropology Association**  
Board Meeting  
Wednesday November 18, 2015 12:00-1:00 PM

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- I. Call to order 12:05 pm
  
- II. Roll Call  
Present by telephone: Bill Hedman, Phoebe Gilbert, Brinnen Carter, Julie Esdale, Jason Rogers, Shelby Anderson, Kelly Eldridge, Cindy Williams and Vivian Bowman
  
- III. Agenda
  1. Old Business.
    - a. Conference: \$4475 for all the venues, they need half up front.  
There are tours available for the Sheldon Museum (\$5- 12 to 20 at a time), Marine tour needs 35 people to break even (\$1500), also tour possible for Russian House. Sitka Sound Science center tours also possible weds afternoon. Opening reception needs to be Allen Hall because it is big enough to house everyone and for the 3 min session. Thursday sessions plus breakfast and lunch slots. Catered meals are low cost and a good option because there are few venues. People can add on breakfast & lunch to their tickets. Dinner people would be on their own (except for banquet). We will discuss how we want to include it into registration. Speakers are lunch (Rosita Worl) and dinner (Jim Delgado). Belzoni society will be at Ernie's. Dale Davenport is working on the book room. Rachel Mason is doing the volunteer coordination. Sue Thorson (Sitka) is working on local volunteers. Call for abstracts is December 1- January 15. Registration is usually open right up to the event. Abstract printing cost was \$1500 last year. Abstract submission software fees was approximately \$1000 (Billy is working on this and has promised functionality by December 1). Credit card fees through eventbrite can be passed on to the customer.
    - b. Open Access for Journal: Some of the volumes are on the website. There are issues with the table of contents. Kelly isn't sure how to deal with that.
    - c. Indexing: Shelby waiting to hear about this, will update.

## 2. New Business

- a. Financial Report: Vivian sent out the profit and loss statement. The last conference lost \$12000. Vanguard lost money through September and that has to be reflected on the P&L. The Journal cost about \$13,000 this year. There was a journal donation but that was actually for color photos. Cash available for the association is \$2785 currently. Total loss last year is \$30,479. After Vanguard is updated we will be back up \$9000. Only \$300 in cash.
- b. Grant Proposal Workshop: Shelby and Jeff Rasic are putting together a grant proposal workshop for the meeting.
- c. Election Committee: Julie Esdale, Whitney McLaren, Molly Proue
- d. New Board Nominations: Current nominations (that said yes) Phoebe Gilbert, Paul White, Amy Chan, Jennifer Shaw, and Erin Laughlin. Announcement December newsletter. We will figure out an election date as soon as we figure out registration.

## 3. Open Discussion:

- a. Catering: Meals are a good thing. Needs to be explained to the membership. Need to put information in the newsletter, on the website, send email out with registration opening.
- b. Aurora Monographs: some are out of print, can we reprint them? Can we figure out a way to make them accessible? Bill and Shelby down with Rick Reanier and talk about Aurora at the meeting or another time.

## 4. Action Items:

- a. Bill will pay meeting room fees.
- b. Board will come up with a meeting fee & catering details and we will get back to Brinnen. Costs \$5000 venue, \$1500 abstract, \$5000 speakers, \$1000 abstract software. Julie sent an email on to Brinnen and Phoebe to come up with estimates on other costs.
- c. Cindy and Jason will coordinate with Brinnen to get some copies of the Aurora Monographs & Journals sent down to Sitka for the book room.
- d. Vivian will talk to Billy about getting our registration changes made.

Meeting adjourned at 1:48 pm.