

**State Historical Resources Commission  
Archaeological Resources Committee**

**May 7, 2014  
Meeting Minutes**

**Attendees:** Wendy Teeter, Anmarie Medin, Janet Eidsness, Donn Grenda, Cindy Stankowski, Jennifer Darcangelo, James Mangold, Kristina Roper, Jim Nelson, Trish Fernandez, Jennifer Farquhar, Greg Castro, Brendon Greenaway, Laura Miranda, Adrian Praetzellis, Mike Newland

**Agenda Item II. Corrections to Previous Meeting Notes**

Meeting minutes from January 13, 2014 teleconference had been distributed by email. Kristina motioned to approve; Adrian seconded; motion carried.

**Agenda Item III. Update on Standards Working Group progress**

Anmarie asked the group what the ARC should work on going forward. What followed was a broad discussion of the past, present and future state of the ARC. Past actions include development of the "white papers", and there was much discussion specifically about Standards. The ARC agreed that posting of the Principal Investigator Qualification Standard on the Society for California Archaeology web page was an important success that needed to be recognized as such. However, the SHPO stated the Qualifications will not be posted on the OHP web page due to concern about legal liability because of exceeding OHP's authority. Furthermore, the ARC is a committee of the SHRC and cannot get out ahead of the Commission. With that context, working on legally binding standards is outside the purview of the ARC. Suggestions were made to instead focus on Guidelines. Some are in favor of working on guidelines, others are opposed and want to continue the effort on regulatory standards. Adrian will chair the Guidelines working group.

There was much discussion about the composition of the ARC and whether membership should be changed, thinned, etc. Views included the following: Anmarie should pick; only active participants should be included moving forward and a smaller core group should work on initiatives with occasional input from the larger group; and, current members should self select based on revised priorities. The group agreed it's important for advocates to have a venue for their work, however the parameters within which the ARC operates may limit some of the goals of individual advocates. Anmarie and Adrian emphasized that the ARC, as a subcommittee of the SHRC, cannot move independently and take action beyond its authority. All formal decisions and actions must go through the SHRC in accordance with government requirements.

The objective in recomposing the committee is to better equip the committee for effectiveness now that we have set goals via the white papers. The initial reason for having such a large committee base was to get broad input on these issues. Now that the issues have been documented, we now need a strong base of advocates and action-oriented members. The committee will be composed of individuals focused on defining tasks; the working groups would be ad-hoc, that is, task and situationally based. Anmarie will send out an email explaining the need for structure change going forward, describing the different levels of commitment for committee vs. working groups, and soliciting participation from existing members.

**Agenda Item IV: Update on other Workgoups progress**

- **Conservation:** No report.

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- **Interpretation:** Mike Newland reported that the SCA has posted interpretive information and thus many of the goals have been fulfilled.
- **Curation:** Cindy and Wendy discussed the curation working group and different ideas. They will come to agreement as to how the curation group will function and report back to the full ARC.
- **Protection:** No report.

**Agenda Item V: Review Progress on Previous Action Items (All)**

See updated Action Items below.

**Agenda Item VI. Review Action Items from this meeting**

See updated Action Items below.

**Agenda Item VII: Schedule next meeting**

Wednesday, September 10, 2014, 2:00 – 3:30

**ACTION ITEMS:**

<b>No.</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DUE DATE</b>	<b>Completed</b>
125	Create list of local archaeologists for outreach contacts.	Mike Newland with Trish Fernandez	Ongoing	Ongoing
136	Send archaeological documentation standards to Anmarie	All	TBD	
138	Set up inaugural meeting of Archaeological Documentation Standards working group	Anmarie	TBD	
139	Pursue posting of Arch Quals on OHP web page	Anmarie / Adrian	TBD	Completed – OHP will not sanction
140	Compile ARC comments on OPR list of possible topics for CEQA guidelines update	Trish	February 14, 2014	Completed - Not purview of ARC; pursuing transfer of this action to SCA Ethics Committee
142	Anmarie to send email to restructure composition of ARC	Anmarie/Trish	July 10, 2014	
143	SCA article regarding ARC successes	Jennifer	Next Issue	