

Utah Statewide Archaeological Society
April 8, 2006 Spring Meeting
Fremont Indian State Park
10:00am

Present: Richard Hansen and Merianne Nelson; Utah County Chapter, Ron Hatch & Paul Carroll, Uintah Basin Chapter, Liz Robinson, Salt Lake/Davis Chapter; Kari Carlisle, Walt Hayward, & Ron Archibald, Iron County Chapter & Vi Meyer, Promontory/Tubaduka Chapter,

Excused from the meeting: Ron Rood, USAS Advisor, Jeff Roberts, Central Utah Chapter, Margene & Bob Hackney, Fred & Diane Jenkins Castle Valley Chapter Darrell & Marty Thomas, Salt Lake/Davis Chapter, Lawrence Guymon, Trails of The Ancients and Rachel Quist, UPAC/Salt Lake Davis Chapter.

Minutes taken by Merianne Nelson, Recorded by Richard Hansen,
Transcribed by Margene Hackney

The meeting was called to order by Richard Hansen, USAS Vice-President. He welcomed everyone and provided the group with a list of people who called and asked to be excused. He explained that the agenda he will use is the one that Fred and Diane Jenkins had made for the March 11 meeting that was cancelled because of bad weather conditions. The recording secretary was absent so the minutes of the August 20, 2005 meeting was not read or corrected.

Richard Hansen gave a report on The Range Creek USAS 2005 Volunteer Program. He coordinated the USAS volunteers who wanted to work on the survey. In doing this he first used the dates that were given to the group by Renee Barlow at the 2005 spring meeting. He also got some names from Jeff Roberts but some of the names he was given were not USAS members. He was required to find out who were members. The date of the survey work was changed several times. Some volunteers were not able to go on the different times. Richard was told that he had to get the permits from the Division of Wildlife resources in Price for each separate date. The permit was to be carried with the volunteers and presented to Renee when they arrived.

There was a discussion about the way the volunteers were treated, they were not respected or appreciated and they were watched quite closely. There was a rule of no cameras allowed and the tour of the Canyon was a disappointment. If USAS is to be involved again there needs to more input. There is also a need for USAS members to be aware of what is expected of them while working at Range Creek. Richard told the group to wait and see what Range Creek is going to do with USAS's help this year.

Vi Meyer handed out the treasurer's report. There is a balance of \$8,996.75. Three chapters have paid their chapter dues. The \$500 seed money has been paid to the Iron County Chapter for the 2006 convention .Vi stated that USAS is in pretty good shape.

There was a suggestion from Richard to increase the seed money to \$600. A motion was made and seconded and that motion passed. It will be retroactive. If Iron County needs \$100 more for the convention it will be given to them. Richard also asked to be reimbursed for the refreshments. Motion to accept the treasures report was made and seconded. It passed.

Darrell Thomas sent Richard an e-mail requesting that another grant for state help with the web site and another honorarium be applied for. Walt made the motion and it was seconded, voted on and passed.

New business- There was a discussion about when and where to hold USAS State meetings. It was suggested that there will be a spring meeting on March 2007 in Provo because of the convention and a fall meeting in September at Fremont Indian State Park. Some members commented and complained about the small attendance at this meeting. They felt that they made commitments to attend even though the price of gas is high and it was quite a distance to travel. The consensus was that there needs to be someone designated to attend each state meeting and if they cannot make it they should get a substitute. An attempt should be made to find another member to take their place if they are unable to get to the State meetings. Any member may attend if they would like. Vice-Presidents are strongly encouraged to attend all State meetings.

Walt Hayward gave a report on the upcoming Convention in Kanarraville, located 17 miles from Cedar City. He passed out copies of the June 8-11 convention schedule. This year there will not be any T-Shirts. Instead there will be hats and tote bags given out with every registration. There will be workshops, programs and field trips. Vendor tables will be available for a fee of \$10.00. Walt said they were expecting about one hundred people and gave several copies to the chapter's representatives that were there. Some will have to be mailed. UPAC will sponsor the Friday night dinner. Walt suggested that people reserve their motels early because of the Summer Games.

There was a suggestion from Ron Hatch that perhaps USAS join with the Utah Rock Art Research Association because USAS does some of the same activities that they do.. Merianne Nelson stated that she believed at one time URARA helped sponsor Prehistory Week. She wondered why they did not join in on this activity any longer. Richard suggested that we should ask Ron Rood about this. Ron Hatch also brought up the subject of field trips having a waiver of liability for all conventions, and Prehistory Week field trips. He has a form that he sent to Ron Rood and there were requests that he send other chapter presidents a copy. Everyone agreed that having waivers signed before going on a field trip was a good idea.

Upcoming Conventions: Utah County-2007, Castle Valley-2008, Dixie/Jennifer Jack-2009, Salt Lake/Davis Chapter-2010 and Uintah Basin Chapter to follow in 2011.

Chapter reports were given by those members attending the meeting. Promontory/Tubaduka is having an Indian Trade Beads lecture at their next meeting. Salt Lake/Davis is having Site Stewardship meetings about the Simpson Springs site. Utah County Chapter members have been in Range Creek and a follow up chapter meeting with Renee Barlow gave a lecture at the Hutching Museum in Lehi. They have also had Garth Norman lecture on Parowan Gap and Charmaine Thompson on Spring Lake Villa.

Uintah Basin Chapter has had monthly meetings, a Forest Service Archaeologists program and several field trips. Trail of the Ancient's President was excused so the 2005 convention report was not given but it is in the handout of the treasurer's report. There is a Centennial celebration of the Antiquities Act of 1906 at the same time as the Cedar City convention June 9-11.

Nominations were opened for new officers. For Vice-President, President elect, Ron Hatch, Uintah Basin Chapter was nominated by Vi Meyer and second by Richard Hansen. Ron Hatch nominated Jean Smith for recording secretary and Vi Meyer was nominated as treasurer by Walt Hayward and second by Merianne Nelson. The motions passed and these nominees will be voted on at the convention at the business meeting on Saturday June 10. The parliamentarian, archivists and web master are appointed by the President.

Other business discussed was the business of the archives, Merianne and Vi will make a trip to get the boxes and take them to the Antiquities office. Ron has someone there that will work on them. The journal has not been published since 2003. Richard would like to know if the journal will be published ever again and if not then USAS could use the money for other expenses. He would also like to know about the status of the Antiquities grants. Richard will talk to Ron about these problems and report back.

There was a motion to adjourn by Walt Hayward and seconded by Ron Hatch. Next meeting will be at the convention in Kanarraville near Cedar City.

Transcribed by Margene Hackney on April 24, 2006

This report was to be given at the April 8, 2006 meeting by CVAS President Margene Hackney, but due to a medical emergency she was not able to attend. The Vice- President was out of town and he could not attend the meeting. She would like this report to be amended in the minutes.

Castle Valley Chapter Report

2005 Events

August 19 & 20- CVAS members held a social at the home of John and Jeanne Senulis and on Saturday morning they hosted the USAS State meeting. They had their 20th anniversary celebration later that night. 65 USAS members and guests attended.

September 15-18- The regular meeting was cancelled because some CVAS members attended the Utah State Historical Society Annual meeting in Salt Lake City and some attended the Rocky Mountain Conference in Park City.

October 7-10- Several members attended the Utah Rock Art Research Symposium held in Price, Utah

October 15 & 16- Members attended the Annual Nine Mile Survey

October 20-CVAS members attended Nine Mile Canyon Workday at the Great Hunt Panel.

November 17- Guest lecturer Lucille Hunt presented the program “My Grandmother’s Teaching”

December 8- The annual Christmas Social at the C.E.U. Jennifer Leavitt Student center was held.

2006 events

January 19- Pam Miller, CVAS Archaeological advisor presented a PowerPoint Presentation “Presenting the Past to the Public: Future Plans for Nine Mile Canyon.

February 16- Dennis Willis, Price BLM Recreation manager gave lessons on the GPS System and Map Reading.

March 16- Ron Rood Assistant State Archaeologists gave a PowerPoint presentation on “A Native American Historical Burial”

April 20- Brendan Fitzsimons, USDA archaeologist showed a slide presentation on “Puebloans of the Verde Valley, Arizona”

