

Meeting Minutes
Flagg Mineral Foundation (FMF)
Board Meeting
September 18, 2014

Attendees (13)

Officers: Phil Richardson Lavone Archer, Darrel Dodd, and Bill Yedowitz

Trustees: Bob Jones, Chuck Kominski, Dana Slaughter, Chris Whitney-Smith, Genie Howell

Members and Guests: Ann Baker, Shirley Cote, Jack Howell, Harvey Jong

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Chairman Phil Richardson in Meeting Room A, at the Burton Barr Library, 1221 N. Central Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona.

I. TREASURER'S REPORT

Darrel D. presented the Treasurer's report detailing the funds in the money market fund, CD, and checking accounts.

II. MINUTES OF MAY 12, 2014, BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

A motion was made to accept the minutes as written. The motion was seconded and passed by vote. (Bill Yedowitz, Dana Slaughter).

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. *Collection Committee* (Bill Yedowitz/Phil Richardson)

1. U of A Loan/Display Additional Cabinets at Flandrau Mineral Museum - Bill Y. does not have a final proposal from Mark Candee regarding utilizing additional Flagg wall cases. Three cases are earmarked for displays of collections of Arthur Flagg, Dave Shannon, and Mineralogical Society of Arizona (MSA). Potentially, three more cabinets could be mounted down the same hallway. U of A could use its own resources to refurbish the cabinets where needed. Bill Y., Mark C., and Les P. will meet prior to the next meeting to prepare a proposal to put on the agenda for the next FMF Board Meeting.

2. North Mountain Visitors Center temporary loan with MSA - **The motion was made** that a temporary loan of Arizona minerals in conjunction with the MSA be made to the North Mountain Visitors Center with assurance of reasonable security. The motion was seconded and passed by vote. (Bob Jones, Chris Whitney-Smith). Phil R. will prepare a way to track minerals on loan. Chris W-S and Phil R. will collaborate on a plaque in the case regarding the FMF and MSA and will coordinate the display with Shirley Cote, who requested a photo of the proposed case. The goal is to facilitate the display before the January Flagg Show to create interest. It was noted that at one time the annual Flagg Show was held across the street from the North Mountain Visitor Center.

3. Cave Creek Museum temporary loan - Evelyn Johnson of the Cave Creek Museum will install a new cabinet to display Arizona minerals on loan from the Foundation. (See May 12, 2014, minutes for donors of the specimens.) Space also is under consideration for a fluorescent display donated to the Foundation by Mr. Steve Scott at the Symposium. Phil R. has at his house loan papers, flats, and tags awaiting disposition.

4. Future donations - Lavone A. is anticipating a donation from Dave Douglas Oct 7-11. Other donations need to be pursued.

B. *Website (Mike Williams)* - Not available

C. *Newsletter (Steve Decker)* - Not available. An electronic newsletter will be distributed before the Flagg Show. Chuck Kominski offered to contribute. Chris Whitney-Smith will write regarding field trips.

D. *Field Trips* -The Foundation's goal is to aid MSA's Joey Philpott in facilitating two field trips per month.

IV. MINERALS OF ARIZONA SYMPOSIUM, Clarion at Phoenix Tech Center, March 27-29, 2015

A. *Co-Chairs* - Phil Richardson and Ray Grant - Phil R. is meeting with Clarion staff next week. Three lectures already are scheduled.

B. *Clarion Room* - Mike W., Lavone A., and Bill Y. will oversee the Flagg Room

C. *Micromount session, Moderator*- Ron Gibbs will be approached to hold a micromount session again with the offer to cover the cost of his room. Bill Y. provide micromount material from inventory to sell at this time.

D. *Food* - Phil R will address food options with the Clarion staff

E. *Sunday XRF session* -Phil will approach Dr. Eric Melchiorre about again conducting an XRF session and mineral identification and offer to pay for his room.

F. *Publicity* - Lavone A. will see that Harvey Jong has flyers regarding the symposium to distribute for the November 7-8, 2015, Arizona Science Teacher Association Conference.

G. *Saturday Dinner talk* - Dr. Jeremy Rowe (the photographer whose work is on exhibit at the Talking Stick) will present a program of Arizona historical photographs.

H. *Teacher Learning Credits/Discount* - Phil R. Needs to contact Tony Occhuizzi regarding continuing education credits. Lavone A. will make the certificate for participants for 2015 and will get information necessary from Tony O., who made the certificate last year.

V. FLAGG SHOW 2015, MCC, January 9/10/11, 2015 (Les Presmyk - not present)

A. *Show Chairman/Chairmen* - According to Phil. R., the contract with Mesa Community College will be coming in three weeks.

- B. *Food* - Phil R. will arrange for food for Wednesday and Thursday, Bob Jones will bring chili on Friday, Phil will order El Pollo Loco on Saturday, and Kathleen Richardson will provide "Mimis" on Sunday.
- C. *Porta-Potties* - Les P will determine which vendor.
- D. *Street Sweeper*- Chuck Kominski
- E. *Rentals* - Phil R. will pick up RV. Bill Y. will pick up van and needs two volunteers to help load and unload.
- F. *Parking Lot setup* - Lavone A., Bob J, and "crew"
- G. *Garbage Collection* - Les will provide another 20 SRP trash cans and liners to use in conjunction with the college garbage cans. John Mooney will be contacted by Ann Baker.
- H. *Badges* - Harvey will make badges from list of names Phil R. and Lavone A. will provide. \$100 will be advanced to Harvey for expenses.
- I. *Youth activities* - Ziplock bags are needed. Bill has plenty of give-away minerals for children and fossils for sand. Plan is to continue to promote the junior exhibit. Each participant and MCC student who helps gets "Show Bucks" for use at our booth. The MCC Geology Club oversees the fossil dig.
- J. *Posters* - Chris W-S brought a couple for viewing. He will deliver the posters to Lavone A. Phil R. will pay for posters. Thanks to Bob Jones for his \$500 contribution to the poster production costs.
- K. *Vendors* - Lavone takes care of the one food vendor. Darrel will provide the ice cream vendor. At the present time there are 50 dealers signed up, on track with last year. Among the vendors that will not be back are A Bit of USA and Dave Douglas Minerals. The big question is Walt Johnson due to illness.
- L. *Demonstrators and large exhibits* - Les P. and Darrel D.- Potential exhibits include gold panning and coin shoot by the Cave Creek Museum, the model stamp mill from the Superstition Mountain Museum, and a small Haul truck.
- M. *Displays* - Will include the three-generation Shannon exhibit and the junior exhibits with cases set up by Chris W-S and Phil R.
- N. *Publicity* - Our biggest hole is TV and radio publicity. Phil R. will ask Les P. to contact Cory McClosky of Channel 10. Bill Y. read Marc Fleischer's list of contacts and will e-mail the list to Dana S. Clubs are sent out a mailing via Lavone A. Phil R. will address a letter with Ray Grant. Dana S. has contacted *Rock and Gem* online, *AAA Highroads*, *Mindat* (with photos from Show) *Rock and Mineral*, and *Bob's Rock Shop*. Phil will ask Mesa Community College about use of their electronic billboard. Tony and Lavone will cover science teachers and libraries.
- O. *Other needs* - Darrel will bring a generator and an ice chest and provide ice daily. The ATM machine, the Cave Creek Museum, and Superstition Mountain Museum will need electricity. Darrel will create a list for Marina Tennyson for FMF shirts for volunteers.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. *Earth Science Museum (ESM)* - Harvey Jong reported on the upcoming Earth Science Day at Mesa Community College on October 18, 10AM-4PM. Harvey had Science Day posters with the theme of Earth-Connected Systems. There will be free planetarium shows, lectures, demos, and models. Other upcoming activities for the ESM is the annual Arizona Science Teachers Conference November 7, 8. The ESM group is in the midst of planning the booth at Tucson Gem and Mineral Show (TGMS) in February of 2015. Outreach to schools doubled last year. EMS is looking for a building.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. *Arizona Mining and Mineral Museum (AMMM)* - Doug Lindsay and Dick Zimmerman will be placed on the agenda under New Business for the next meeting for further discussion and support letter.

B. *TGMS Display Case Endowment, replace Check* - Phil R's letter sent with the TGMS Case Endowment Fund check for \$500 was destroyed by the USPS. Darrel Dodd will reissue the check.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 PM.

Genie Howell for Mike Williams, Secretary