

Meeting Minutes  
Flagg Mineral Foundation  
Flagg Show Kickoff Meeting  
July 26, 2016

*Attendees (14)*

Officers: Phil Richardson, Bill Yedowitz, Genie Howell, Lavone Archer, Mike Williams

Other Trustees: Chris Whitney-Smith, Doug Duffy, Joey Philpott Jr., Darrel Dodd.

Members and Guests: Shirley Cote, Rosa Dodd, Dawn Boushelle, Don Boushelle, Jack Howell

Meeting was called to order at 7:08 PM by Chairman Phil Richardson at Manuel's Mexican Restaurant & Cantina, 2350 E. Southern Ave, Tempe, AZ.

## I. TREASURER'S REPORT

Genie Howell presented the Treasurer's report detailing the funds in the mutual fund, CD, and checking accounts. Phil will plan to call Wells Fargo regarding changing the name to FMF on that account. Phil and Genie will investigate the name change on the Vanguard account.

## II. MINUTES OF JANUARY 7, 2016, BOARD MEETING

A **motion** was made to accept the minutes as written (Bill Yedowitz). The motion was seconded (Doug Duffy) and passed by vote.

## III. COMMITTEE REPORTS

### A. *Collection Committee* (Bill Yedowitz)

- a) Status of the Arizona Mineral and Mining Museum Building – Bill went on a tour of the museum and reported on current status of storage, cases and items still on display. Bill located the ~20 Flagg VHS tapes and Coggins/A.L. Flagg photos at the museum and secured them for digitization. Bill will try to review the VHS tapes to confirm they are worthy of digitization.

A **motion** was made (Dawn Boushelle) to establish \$500 to allow Bill Y. to digitize the Flagg photos/VHS tapes that were located at the museum. The motion was seconded (Chris Whitney-Smith) and passed by vote.

It may take substantial funding/work to bring the old museum up to ADA and city codes. Bill reported it didn't look too run down but there were some areas that had

water damage. The bill contained a provision that the museum has to be open in two years or it reverts back to the AZ Historical Society.  
Bill initiated a discussion of the Tucson Project.

- b) U of Arizona Mineral Museum Displays – Repeated transformers failures for the LED case lighting of FMF specimens has prompted the UofA museum to put the lighting on a circuit that is only on during museum hours. Bill said this seemed to solve the failure problem.
- c) FMF Storage Facility – The current storage facility has been sold twice and is now under corporate control but the FMF has continued to rent the 10x15 for \$100/month (\$80 savings over current monthly rates) through 2016. Issues still exist with the facilities liability limit but Bill reported the facility seemed secure. There is concern over the potential for long term storage at the existing storage location.
- d) Donations – Bill, Phil and Dana S. reviewed a private species collection (Royer) in Tucson containing >2000 specimens. They secured the collection with donation/tax letter at a value of \$4/specimen. The specimens are currently in the FMF storage container and will be evaluated as temperature permits. The collection exceeded the donation threshold so it will not be available for a three years term. The FMF is currently seeking additional collections for future near term sales.

B. *FMF Website* (Mike Williams)

The website and Facebook postings continue to be regularly updated and a request for new content was made to all members. The FMF currently “leases” a variety of URL’s or domains via GoDaddy that remain un-used. These include peraltastones.com, mineralogyofarizona.com/.info, flagshow.info (one g) and flaggmineralfoundation.com. These domains are up for renewal in Aug-Oct 2016 at a typical cost of \$20/domain/year. The FMF will continue to “lease” the FlaggMineralFoundation.org (website domain) and Flagshow.info (used for advertising the Flagg show), all other domains will be allowed to expire at the end of the “lease” period.

A **motion** was made (Bill Yedowitz) to allow the un-used domains to expire. The motion was seconded (Genie Howell) and passed by vote.

Genie will create description content for the Flagg Award and email to Mike for inclusion on the website.

C. *Field Trips*

The FMF is working with the MSA (Joey Philpott Jr.) to schedule joint field trips. Recently, the MSA has been very successful in planning a variety of field trips and MSA field trips will be posted on the FMF website. Joey provided a description of upcoming field trips for 2016. Paid FMF members will be welcome on MSA field trips.

The FMF website will be updated to clarify the MSA/FMF field trip status.

#### IV. FLAGG SHOW 2017

The 2017 Flagg show will be held on January 6th, 7th and 8th. A general membership meeting will be held prior to the 2017 Flagg show.

- A. *Flagg Shirts* – Phil distributed a sign up list for ordering shirts for the show. These will contain the newly designed logo and will be available prior to the 2017 show.
- B. *MCC* – MCC has confirmed the 2017 Flagg show will be held on campus and has reserved the lot for the show dates. One issue that has come up is the recently installed solar shades on the east side of the parking lot. Lavone will distribute information via email to dealers indicating that they will be in the shade and limited to the 8' shade height if located on the east side of the lot. Dealers may have to be relocated based on preference.
- C. *Generator* – Daryl reminded the group that a power generator/chain/power cord and gas will be required for the 2017 show. A **motion** was made to purchase an appropriate generator and required accessory items (Bill). The motion was seconded (Dawn) and passed by vote. The generator/accessories will be stored in the storage container when not in use.  
Additional discussion occurred regarding other items required for the show that had been purchased (signs, ice cooler, new pop-up tent) or needed to be purchased/refurbished prior to the show (white boards). The limit of the above **motion** was set at \$700 to allow Bill to purchase the items discussed.
- D. *ATM* – The ATM will be confirmed prior to the show.
- E. *Tables* – Daryl agreed to transfer/donate four tables to Bill prior to the show. They will be stored in the storage container.
- F. *Trailer* – Phil will arrange with Cruise America for an on-site camper.
- G. *Golf Cart* – The FMF will rent a golf cart for Lavone during the show. Phil will confirm golf cart rental and insurance coverage.
- H. *Food* – Phil will coordinate food for the show.
- I. *Magazine Advertising* – Dana S. will purchase/solicit advertising for the 2017 show in a variety of appropriate publications and on-line at Mindat.
- J. *Participant Attendance* – Lavone will act as a liaison to the (1<sup>st</sup> row) clubs and museums that are normally in attendance to distribute show posters and flyers. Lavone will also work with Ray Grant to include the Pinal GMS in the 2017 show.

- K. *Posters* – Don Boushelle agreed to provide artwork for the 2017 poster and asked that members provide appropriate photos. A theme of “Bradshaw Mountains and Mines” was suggested and accepted.  
A **motion** was made to provide Don with \$400 to generate artwork for the 2017 poster and name badges (Bill). The motion was seconded (Chris) and passed by vote.  
The decision was made to create 600 total posters – 500 glossy and 100 matte finish.  
A second **motion** was made (Bill) to approve \$700 to have the posters and name badges printed (Staples). The motion was seconded (Genie) and passed by vote.
- L. *Security* – Phil will get a quote for 24 hour security coverage from Pro Am security (\$3300?). MCC does not provide 24 hours security with the lot rental.
- M. *Food Vendors* – The food trucks that were invited to the 2016 show were very popular. Dawn & Lavone volunteered to contact last year’s vendors (Atson, Fontana) to offer them the opportunity to vend at the 2017 show. Dawn also suggested adding an additional food truck and a coffee vendor to the south side of the lot for the 2017 show and will determine which vendors will be added and contact them.
- N. *Antique Engine Association/Mining Equipment* – Joey agreed to work with Daryl to contact the Antique Engine Assn. to see what they might have available and if they would be interested in attending and setting up on the south side of the lot.
- O. *Digital Map* – Lavone and Joey agreed to develop a digital vendor map for 2017 that could be made available to attendees. The printing cost will be reviewed closer to the show date.
- P. *Banners* – Bill suggested that banners containing the new logo should be prepared for the 2017 show – one for the side of the truck, one for the trailer and one for the exhibit tent. Bill will investigate pricing and sizes.
- Q. *Thumbnail case work session* – the eight thumbnail case liners need to be renewed. Phil will organize a work session.
- R. *TV/News Advertising* – Dawn will act as a liaison and will contact and invite Cory McClosky (Fox News).
- S. *General Meeting* – Phil will contact John Weide or Kelly to arrange a classroom at MCC for the general meeting prior to the 2017 show.
- T. *Show Chairman* – **Chris Whitney-Smith & Bill Yedowitz** have agreed to be the 2017 Flagg show co-chairman.

- U. *Donations* – Chris will investigate whether SRP or Freeport would be interested in donating funds to have a number of plastic hard hats made to distribute to children in attendance.
- V. *Paypal* – There was a discussion on the use of credit cards and/or Paypal at the 2017 show. Additional investigation on this topic and cell phone/ipad use will occur.

## V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. *ESM Update* – An ESM update was not provided. The ESM will be in attendance at the 2017 show and will have the fluorescent display and solar panels. They will plan to have three tables.  
Doug reported that the Leaverites will be in attendance with the egg carton collection for children.

## VII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. *FMF Scholarships* – Daryl discussed the history of FMF scholarships and award process. There was discussion on the topic. Daryl agreed to provide a write-up to Mike for inclusion on the website to potentially solicit new benefactors for future scholarships.
- B. *2018 Flagg Show Rates* – Lavone discussed the loss of vendors due to camping restrictions and the current vendor rates and suggested that we increase the space fees for 2018. The current rates are \$130/\$70. A discussion occurred in light of potentially funding new scholarships and current costs.  
A **motion** was made (Bill) to increase vendor fees for the 2018 show to \$150/\$90 with additional space rental to remain at \$30/space. The motion was seconded (Chris) and passed by vote.
- C. *Other* – A **motion** was made (Bill) for the FMF to fund ½ the cost of an upcoming event. The motion was seconded (Don) and passed by vote.

A **motion** was made to close the meeting (Bill). The motion was seconded by Dawn and the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Mike Williams, Secretary