



May 2021 Board Meeting Minutes
Flagg Mineral Foundation
May 24, 2021

Attendees (5 Officers; 7 Trustees)

Officers and Chairs:

Les Presmyk [Chair & Trustee (T) through 2022] Bill Yedowitz (Vice Chairman, T24)
Genie Howell (Treasurer, T23) Steve Kaminski (Secretary, T23)
Mike Williams (Webmaster, T22)

Other Trustees:

Chris Whitney-Smith (T23) Stan Celestian (T23) Jeff Johnson (T23)
Kelli Wakefield (T22) Catie Sandoval (T23) Evan Jones (T24)
Paul Harter (T24)

Members and Guests: None

Officers/Trustees not in attendance: Joseph Philpott, Jr. (Show Chair, T22), Doug Lindsay (T22), Mike Shannon (T22), Chuck Kominski (T22), Dana Slaughter (T23), Don Boushelle (T24), Phil Richardson (T24), Dr. Ray Grant (T22), John Tibbits (T24)

Meeting was called to order with a quorum at ~7:15PM by Chairman Les Presmyk on the FMF Zoom Meeting ID: 854 0451 9921.

The most recent meeting was the April General Membership Meeting. These minutes have been shared with the Chair, Vice Chair, and Treasurer, but will wait until the next general meeting for approval by the general membership. No additional meeting minutes have been submitted for approval.

I. COMMITTEE REPORTS.

- A. Treasurer Report – Genie Howell reported on the FMF Wells Fargo and Vanguard accounts – including recent membership income, and account status.
- B. Collection Committee Report – Bill Yedowitz: Les and Bill visited both Tucson museums on last Friday. All specimens have been accounted for, excepting two specimens that are still to be located in flats in the Alfie Norville Museum (ANM). Bill is planning a collection committee workday at the container to prepare for the symposium. He will notify folks of time soon. Heat is a consideration for timing. No questions were asked of Bill. Evan added that a collection that was recently considered for purchase was declined and it moved to California.



- C. Show Chairman Report – Joseph Philpott, Jr. was not present (has a niece graduating). Les reported that Joey is moving forward getting things ready for the show. He has reviewed dealer and food vendor contracts and has issues to resolve and update. Les is waiting on proposal/contracts from security and other vendors. Mesa Community College (MCC) contact has reported that they expect to allow a show in January, but they are not ready to issue/negotiate the contract. Bill commented that dealer spacing and subletting are issues to be resolved in the dealer contracts.
- D. Symposium Les Presmyk: Planning for the symposium scheduled for the 24, 25, 26th of September at the ANM proceeds. The auditorium size was discussed and it will likely allow a maximum of 75 or 80 attendees at best. Maximum room capacity is 106, but this is reduced when space is allowed of speakers/equipment. Costs for the auditorium are slow to be announced from Pima County. Space for sales is limited and dealers would be competing with the museum itself for the time of potential customers. The largest area in basement is unlikely to be used except the Micromount gathering may occur there on Friday afternoon. Discussed off-site hotel block for dealers. Les hopes to have complete list of speakers for the next board meeting. A field trip is still in early discussion stage.
- E. Newsletter Update – Joey Philpott Jr. Not Present – Les reported that Joey was still looking for submissions. Les is working on one reminiscent of his early collecting experiences. Joey has and will share a template for articles. Peer reviews to occur after publication.

New Finds

Features for collectors

Museums

Field trips

New localities

Any and all club news.

F. Old Business –

1. UA Mining Mineral Natural Resources Education Museum (the Education Museum) Catie Sandoval provided an updated – Waiting on numbers from contractors and subcontractors for interior improvements. Contractors are selected, scope of work is defined, cost numbers are pending.

2. Pinal Gem and Mineral Museum (PGMM) – Bill Yedowitz reported that he visited the PBMM to deliver early photos of the Flagg cases. All of Rays Flagg cases have been filled. Give Ray a call if you're going to be in the area.

3. UA Alfie Norville Museum (UNM) – Paul Harter, as Board Member of ANM reported that final touch up work continues. Mission includes prompting repeated visits by patrons. Gene Myron trillion collection to show with stuff from Dr. Bob Downs materials. Please don't request special tours yet. American Museum of Natural History is scheduled to open June 12th, 2021.



4. The Flandreau Museum – No update.
5. Globe/Miami Bullion Plaza Museum (BPM) formerly a school, the BPM is growing into a significant museum with a lot of space and potential.
6. Website Status – Mike W. reported that he added the April 2021 Meeting Minutes to the website. He requested symposium data for uploading to the website. Joey is working on a PayPal account.

G. New Business

1. Membership: Presented by Steve Kaminski. We have 98 individuals listed on the membership contact list. There are 49 current paid memberships, 3 of which are couple memberships. Membership cards are done and ready to mail out with a letter to encourage existing members to promote membership to others.
2. Les requested next board meeting to be held Monday, June 28th.

Les adjourned the meeting at 8:16 P.M.

Steve Kaminski, FMF Secretary