



October 2022 Board Meeting Minutes
Flagg Mineral Foundation
October 10, 2022

Attendees (3 Officers; 6 Trustees)

Officers and Chairs:

Les Presmyk [LP, Chair & Trustee (T) through 2025] Bill Yedowitz (BY, Vice Chair, T24)
Steve Kaminski (SK, Secretary, T23)

Other Trustees:

Chris Whitney-Smith (CWS, T23) Don Boushelle (DB, T24) Phil Richardson (PR, T24),
John Weide (JW, T25) Stan Celestian (SC, T23) John Tibbits (T24)
Marc Fleischer (MF, Marketing Chair)

Members and Guests:

Officers/Trustees not in attendance: Mike Shannon (MS, T25), Dr. Ray Grant (T25), Genie Howell (Treasurer T23), Chuck Kominski (T25), Paul Harter (T24), Jeff Johnson (T23), Mike Williams (Webmaster, T22), Catie Sandoval (T23), Evan Jones (T24), Kelli Wakefield (KW, T25); Dana Slaughter (T23); Show Chairman: - Vacant. Invited Guest – Marc Fleischer, Appointed Show Marketing Chair.

The purpose of this Zoom-based committee was to address general issues and continue active planning for the Flagg Gem, Mineral and Fossil Show. Meeting was called to order with a quorum at ~7:05 PM by Chairman Les Presmyk (the FMF Zoom Meeting ID: 665 521 6599). BY joined at 7:20.

I. COMMITTEE REPORTS.

- A. Treasurer Report – Genie Howell, Not Present, Les presented a brief update provided earlier by GH..
- B. The April 25, and August 29, 2022 Meeting Minutes were be provided to the board prior with the announcement and link for this meeting. Stan Celestian moved that the meeting minutes be approved, Don Boushelle seconded. The motion passed with no comments on the minutes.



- C. Bill Yedowitz (BY). Joined the meeting by phone after LP provided his Collection Chair report via earlier conversation. BY is working through about 150 flats of minerals to label for sale. He just received a donation from Mark Hay of two specimen, a cuprite from Ray and a polished Bisbee malachite slab. He has been in touch with Kathy Connell (Charlie's widow). She is planning a donation of some of Charlie's materials.
- D. Les P. opened discussion of the Flagg Show. The following are points raised during this discussion.
1. Marc Fleischer discussed marketing plans for the Flagg Show. The following were points raised during this discussion. He spoke on Brad Perry's Arizona Daily Mix which is a local news blogger/outlet. Planning for Les to do a spot with Brad on his show. Gold Prospectors and the Apache Junction stamp mill are not planning on coming. BY and LP are looking to invite one of the other gold prospector groups.
 2. LP said we will pull together a gold exhibit.
 3. MF we need to pitch a familiar story.
 4. MF described Hellzarockin's Radio Add. SK said he would approach Lara Serbin, the West Valley Club's President.
 5. MF needs higher resolution photos for advertising purposes.
 6. JW, dealer chair, spoke on the dealers. We have 68 registration forms, 45 have paid, 27 are fixed in place. Some want to move spots. We have sold over 100 spaces. Les says we need 50 of 60 more sold to cover budget. 115 spaces are sold. About 25 more are spoken for.
 7. LP raised insurance cert question. SK to follow up.
 8. Infrastructure we have our contract with MCC (~4K), TEAM Security (~3.5K) and portajohns is about 3.5 K, miscellaneous cost is another 3- 4K, so operating budget is about 15K.
 9. BY requested a small team to help load out from the container.
 10. PR spoke on exhibits. He is recruiting 2 AZ fossil cases, 1 gold case, 1 competitive case on AZ pieces, we will have at least one junior case, Hannah Broadhagan. Colton is a probability. David Tibbitts and Wyatt may as well.
 11. Food Vendors: Green Chili, Egees, Coffee, Atzin & Atzin (questionable), two pulled pork, Tom's BBQ or Kings BBQ. LP needs list no later than the 2nd week of November.
 12. Vehicles are prohibited for driving inside of the show boundaries if members of the public are present. The difficulty of controlling this was discussed. SK suggested that we get a refundable deposit. We should consider la deposit by dealers that they will forfeit if they break this rule.
 13. Prior Comment: Hire a videographer 1 or 2 days in first day of show, \$600 to \$750 dollars to produce a news cast worthy video. This is what we need to do to control message, deliver a package to the press, and not rely on the press' availability.



14. Prior Comment: E-blasting with Paul Harter's daughter Katie who has set up a Facebook and Twitter page for the Show.

E. Symposium

1. Date is March 24, 2023
2. LP is looking for speakers, especially those with mining project experience, this will hopefully be the theme of one entire symposium
3. We have 4 speakers lined up for 2023.

F. Hybrid meetings were not discussed. FMF is interested in pursuing hybrid meetings for at least the General FMF Meeting.

G. Newsletter: Empty position, no representative present; no report was submitted.

H. UA Alfie Norville Museum (UNM) – No Update presented.

I. Pinal Gem and Mineral Museum (PGMM) – Ray Grant, Not Present, LP presented: ray is somewhere in the Pacific. Museum hours information: open Wed, Th, Fri, and Sat. 11 A.M. to 4 P.M from September through May.

J. Phoenix UArizona Mining, Mineral and Natural Resources Education Museum (UAMMNREM) – LP provided update. They have hired a scoping firm to outline and refine the focus of the museum. Money can only be spent on capital, \$12M, has to be spent within 2 years.

K. The Flandreau Museum – No update.

L. Globe/Miami Bullion Plaza Museum (BPM) No update.

M. Website Status – no report provided.

N. Membership report ~66 current members. Need to start letting people know that dues are due.

O. Old Business –

1. Possibly hosting American Federation of Mineral Societies convention in ~5 years.
2. D&O insurance has been established through Assured Partners.
3. Non-profit status lapsed and is suspended as of March 22. This is being re-established, Paul H is leading the effort, hopes to have an update on it in the next few days.
4. BY informed the group that the Foundations name has been corrected on the Vanguard account. Les P, Bill Y. and Genie H. are the account signers.



5. Storage Container: SK presented We are working with the owners of the property that the container is on. The container will need to move in mid-January or so from its current location to a position a few hundred feet away. We may consider moving it during the show when the container is empty of fragile materials.

P. New Business –

1. Let's support the MSA's Phoenix Heritage Show, November 5 and 6.
- 2.

Next meeting should be 7th of November.

Les adjourned the meeting at ~8:15 P.M.

Steve Kaminski, FMF Secretary

P.S. Note the October 24, 2021 Flagg Show task planning bullet list prepared by Les Presmyk was attached to the October 25, 2021 FMF Meeting Minutes.