

VERMONT ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY MINUTES FOR BUSINESS MEETING SEPTEMBER 27, 2020 ZOOM WEBINAR

CALL TO ORDER

Call to order at approximately 11am on Zoom.

ROLL CALL

Board members: Jacob Clay, Angela Labrador, Yvonne Benney Basque, Randall Kuhlman, Bob VanArsdell, Niels Rinehart. Additional participants attended but were not officially named due to Zoom webinar logistics.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Jacob Clay presented this year's accomplishments and announcements, including:

- the NEH Landmarks of American History and Culture grant and its postponement to 2021 due to COVID-19
- the appointment of a volunteer social media coordinator, Sabrina Madjeski, and the positive impact her work has had on our social media statistics
- the volunteer lab days held prior to COVID-19, coordinated by the newly appointed volunteer coordinator, Kathy Nolan
- the public lab day and student paper contest winner ceremony held at St. Johnsbury Academy in March prior to the shut down
- explained how member dues may need to be reinstated to help support such activities and how people can support the VAS through donations and merchandise purchases in the meantime

Jacob thanked the board members for their service over the year, and acknowledged the service and contributions of Bob VanArsdell, Sarah van Ryckevorsel (Treasurer), and Christie Ertel (Secretary), who were leaving the Board.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The treasurer was not in attendance and the report will be shared online when it is made available.

ELECTIONS OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Angela Labrador outlined that the VAS Bylaws provide for up to 12 elected members to the Board of Directors. Four nominees were identified prior to the meeting:

- Steve Butz
- Angela Labrador (2nd term)
- Sabrina Madjeski
- Kathy Nolan

The floor was opened for additional nominees. No additional nominations were made. All four nominees were presented as running unopposed as seats on the Board were available. A combination of voice, video, and chat votes were tabulated:

• Steve Butz, unanimously in favor



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- Angela Labrador, unanimously in favor
- Sabrina Madjeski, unanimously in favor
- Kathy Nolan, unanimously in favor

The new board members were welcomed on to the board.

OFFICER ELECTIONS

All three officer positions needed to be filled.

- A. President: The floor was open for nominations. Angela Labrador nominated herself. No other nominees were identified. The board members voted through voice, video, and chat unanimously in favor.
- B. Vice-President: The floor was open for nominations. Yvonne Benney Basque nominated herself. No other nominees were identified. The board members voted through voice, video, and chat unanimously in favor.
- C. Secretary: The floor was open for nominations. Randall Kuhlman nominated himself. No other nominees were identified. The board members voted through voice, video, and chat unanimously in favor.

APPOINTMENTS

- A. Treasurer: On the advice of the previous treasurer, Sarah Van Ryckevorsel, and on the merits of her career as a CPA, Kathy Nolan was recommended for the appointment. The board members voted through voice, video, and chat unanimously in favor.
- B. Social Media Coordinator: The Board agreed to continue Sabrina Madjeski's appointment.
- C. Journal Editor: The Board agreed to continue Niels Rinehart's appointment.
- D. Volunteer Coordinator: The Board agreed to continue Kathy Nolan's appointment.

ADJOURNMENT

The Meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:30am.

Submitted by Angela Labrador