Minutes of a Meeting of the Board of Directors
Of the Oklahoma Anthropological Society, Inc.

June 29, 2002

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Society was held at the Oklahoma Archeological Survey in Norman at 1:30 PM on the date indicated. President Dale McHard chaired the meeting and recorded the minutes. The other officers and directors present and voting were as follows:

- Dale McHard, President
- Kathy Gibbs, 1st Vice-President
- Pam Wallace, 2nd Vice-President
- Lois E. Albert, Certification Chair
- Mary Ann Drass, Layout Editor, *Oklahoma Archeology*
- Richard R. Drass, Content Editor, *Oklahoma Archeology*
- Charlette Gifford, OAS Historian
- David F. Morgan, Dig Committee Chair
- Jim Cox, Director
- Byron Sudbury, Director
- Francie Sisson, Director
- Valli Powell, Director
- Byron Sudbury, Director
- Frieda Odell, Director
- Buck Wade, Director
- Charles Wallis, Director
- Carl Gilley, Byrds Mill Chapter representative
- Lois Gilley, OAS Member
- Charles Surber, Director
- Ken Bloom, Director

The minutes of the April 6, 2002 meeting of the Board were approved as written by Pete Thurmond and published on the website, www.okarcheology.org.

Dale McHard introduced new board members Pam Wallace, Charles Wallis and Jim Cox.

President Dale McHard reported on several items including:

1. The April 6 meeting was deemed a very successful meeting. President McHard estimated 138 attendees were at the meeting. In particular he noted the attendance at the meeting by some charter and other long-time members. He asked that anyone with photos of the Spring Meeting contact him or Mary Ann Drass with those photos.
2. Marlene Bakke has moved to Minnesota and will be changing addresses. That address will be forwarded to Pete Thurmond.
3. Don Shockey sent a report of the Point Guide Committee. He stated in this report that the first volume, the arrowpoints, is close to being printed. The committee has gotten estimates for the printing. The cost for 1000 copies would be about $5500. After some discussion of the number of copies to print, Byron Sudbury moved that the Board authorize a committee of three to consist of Don Shockey, Larry Neal and Pete Thurmond to print between 1,000 and 2,000 copies based on the best price. Dave Morgan seconded. The motion was approved. Richard Drass noted that the estimate provided by Don Shockey had a charge of $4.00 per scan of the drawings and that this was a job that he would be willing to do for the Society.
4. President McHard reported that the Sherman Lawton collection which had previously been taken care of by the Kay County chapter has been transferred to the ownership of the Sam Noble Oklahoma Museum of Natural History. Dale noted that the Society had received a letter of appreciation from Don Wyckoff of the museum. Dave Morgan made
a motion that Dale McHard communicate the Society’s thanks to the Kay County chapter for taking care of the Lawton collection.

5. President McHard noted an email received from Meeks Etchieson regarding a meeting June 24-28 regarding issues dealing with the National Preservation Act. Mr. Etchieson requested input from the Society. Charles Wallis stated that he had attended the meeting in question and provided some insight into the issues involved including whether the Forest Service should transfer control of the National Register sites on land traded to Weyerhauser by the Forest Service or maintain control of those sites. Charles Wallis made a motion that President McHard write a letter on behalf of the Society to the Forest Service stating the Society’s interest in preservation of cultural resources and the Society’s preference that the Forest Service maintain control over archeological sites on land transferred to Weyerhauser. Buck Wade seconded and the motion carried.

6. President McHard noted a letter from Deborah McPhail who would like to prepare a special t-shirt to commemorate the Society’s 50th anniversary. Dale noted that the Society has a backlog of t-shirts from previous digs that were printed at Society expense and then not sold. He suggested that only t-shirts that were ordered and paid for be printed. Pam Wallace suggested arranging for the sale of t-shirts by the Museum’s gift shop. Ken Bloom suggested that the Society consider a design which could be printed on Society t-shirts instead of special occasion t-shirts which don’t always sell and are dated after the dig ends. Richard Drass suggested a committee be appointed to consider such a design. President McHard said that he would contact Ron Ford, Deborah McPhail and Trina Fantoné about serving on this committee.

Dale McHard presented a report from Secretary-Treasurer Pete Thurmond in Pete’s absence. One item of interest was the fact that the Society’s membership has dropped to 431 members with most of that drop being attributed to the lack of new membership. Byron Sudbury suggested that a significant price break on the new Point Guides for Society member’s may encourage new membership. A suggestion was made by Pam Wallace that the Society consider a bookmark with the Society’s contact information and website address for distribution.

Mary Ann Drass gave a report on Oklahoma Archeology and noted that the July issue should be received by the membership soon and that the October issue would have a deadline of September 1 for anyone wanting to have material included in it.

Dale McHard asked how many people visited the website and Mary Ann Drass said that she would put a counter on the website so that we can track our visitors. Lois Albert suggested links from other archeology websites might direct traffic to the OAS website.

Richard Drass, Bulletin editor, reported that he still had no copy for the last volume of the OAS Bulletin so he does not know when that will be issued.

Lois Albert presented a report as Certification chair. She noted a good attendance at the Spring Dig certification seminars and stated that the fall schedule will be available to the membership in the July issue of Oklahoma Archeology.

Dave Morgan gave the report for the Dig Committee. The fall survey will be held at Lake Murray with camping in the Duke’s Forest campground. He hopes to finish up the Lake Murray survey with this fall’s activities. Information on the survey is in the July issue of Oklahoma Archeology.

Carl Gilley said that the City of Ada would like to do some excavation at the Byrds Mill Spring area and wanted to know if the Society would be interested in pursuing this. President McHard suggested that Mr. Gilley have an Ada city official write a letter to the Society with their request and plans.
Charlette Gifford, historian, was commended for her work on the 50th anniversary meeting and for gathering historical information available at that meeting.

Carl Gilley presented the Byrds Mill Spring chapter report. He reported a good attendance at their meetings and suggested Dr. Larry Cardwell, Ada city hospital pathologist, as a good speaker for other chapters. Dr. Cardwell is a world-recognized expert on mummies and particularly hair analysis of mummies.

Kathy Gibbs presented the Central chapter report. A pot luck supper will be held on July 11 for the July meeting.

Byron Sudbury reported on the Kay County chapter and noted that they have a monthly attendance at around 35 people. They meet in the basement of the Ponca City library 9 months of the year (they don't meet in the summer).

Charles Surber reported for the Tulsa chapter. They will have a show and tell on July 27. They have also been asked to survey in the Crosstimbers Reserve area along the Arkansas River on Corps property. This is an area of some 1100 acres.

Richard Drass noted that an organizational meeting had been held in Anadarko in June and another meeting will be held in July.

President McHard asked for input on the fall meeting. It was noted that Don Wyckoff had invited the Society to the Sam Noble museum on October 26. Pam Wallace said that she will check to see if the museum has been reserved for that date. A committee of Jim Cox, Kathy Gibbs, Carl Gilley and Byron Sudbury was appointed by President McHard to oversee a program for the fall meeting.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 3:15.