

New Mexico Geological Society, Inc.
Minutes – 3rd Quarter 2014 Executive Committee Meeting

Date: June 25, 2014

Time: 1:00 PM

Place: Bureau conference room, Socorro

Attending: Virginia McLemore, Mary Dowse, David Ennis, Matt Heizler, Nelia Dunbar, Stacy Timmons, Mike Petronis, Jennifer Lindline, Bonnie Frey, Adam Read.

Open Meeting

- 1) Call to order, 1:03 PM, President McLemore.
- 2) Agenda item 2. Publications Report – Nelia Dunbar – Sales report summary (Exhibit 1). Publications were up 16% from same time last year and totaled \$10,200. Nelia also spoke with Virgil and he reports that Barry Kues' publication on "A Brief History of Geological Studies in New Mexico, with Biographical Profiles of Notable New Mexico Geologists" is moving forward with expected release by end of summer and perhaps by end of June. Barry has approved the layout. April Brunson will attend AAPG in Denver to promote NMGS pub sales.
- 3) Agenda item 3. Guidebook issues: Stacy Timmons: Stacy reports the author guidelines for FFC articles are updated and now online. She also brought up several issues related to editing in general. Editing the guidebook is becoming increasingly difficult with many steps and the size of the guidebook increases the difficulties and time commitment. Stacy recommends that the EC look into outsourcing the copy editing that might cost between 1-3 cents per word. If this moves forward the EC should consider size limits (i.e., limit # of articles per author, page limits) as the editing cost is proportional to word count. Ginger suggests finding technical writing students to do copy editing as part of an internship. ACTION ITEM: Nelia will contact Steve Simpson about internships.
- 4) Agenda item 4. 2014 Fall Field Conference update. Stacy Timmons. Guidebook is about 340 pages that is a fairly normal size. Cost to produce 500 copies is \$14,420 and Stacy will seek quotes for 300 & 400 as well. Exhibit 2. Spreadsheet of FFC costs. Estimated cost is \$300.85 and David Ennis made motion to charge \$325 per participant for the FFC. Greg Mack 2nd, unanimous pass. Radios for the FFC were discussed and was tabled in lieu of trying the Bureau radios for this meeting. Thousands of ISBN numbers have been purchased and Stacy suggests tagging both the hardcopy and spiral copy for clarity of inventory. EC agrees.
- 5) Agenda item 5. 2015 Fall Field Conference. Jennifer Lindline. Exhibit 3 is update on the planning. Jennifer reports that planning is going well and she has driven the entire route with Kate Zeigler. Day 3 has now been updated. EC recommended allowing 1 hr. for loading and unloading at each stop. Ginger recommends getting call for papers out soon and also notes to check copy write permissions for use of historical photos. Stacy Timmons will edit the guidebook.
- 6) Agenda item 6. 2016 Fall Field Conference. Bonnie Frey. Bonnie reports that plans are moving along, but has identified lots of scheduling conflicts for an October trip and that a planned stop is not available if trip coincides with hunting season. November is possible, but likely prefers September and if so submission deadlines need to move up.
- 7) Agenda item 7. NMGS Special Publications. As mentioned above, "Notable Geologists" perhaps ready by end of June. Energy and Mineral Resources is nearing completion, but

geothermal chapter by Witcher is a bit up in the air. Frazier and Cathy Goff will write a chapter on the Valles Caldera geothermal systems. Industrial Minerals chapter is now in review. Greg Mack will put together a proposal for “Permian Geology” that he will edit and seek help for layout. Would like to see marketing in various visitor centers that at some level is already being done. The “Train log” is moving ahead in concept. Shari Kelley provided Ginger with what she is currently using and Shari will likely provide a proposal in the not so distant future to create an NMGS special pub. Some discussion of a new “Roadside Geology” book was discussed and Ginger reports that Greer Price is not interested in pursuing this until the Bureau fills it’s vacant Publications Manager position. Some additional discussion on editors was brought forth by Stacy with suggestions that Kate Zeigler, Phil Miller and/or Shannon Miller could be considered for editorial duties.

- 8) Agenda item 8. Webmaster report, Exhibit 4 – Adam Read reports that there were little needed changes since the last EC meeting. Spring meeting abstracts are now available on line back to 2012. Adam emphasizes the need to get past abstracts online especially if NMG no longer publishes the abstracts. A New, Events and Announcements page could be set up for NMGS that would be similar to the NM Bureau webpage. In principle the EC would like to see much more information on line. Ginger will get FFC guidelines to Adam soon. Other posts should include: Past EC members, Past Honorary members, guidebook dedications and Kottowski scholarship winners. Also post the NMGS handbook. Mary expresses some concern about posting too much, however Adam reports he can set up user accounts for sensitive items. ACTION ITEM: Mary will go through handbook and officer duties and make a recommendation of what would be appropriate material for the web. She will try and have this done for the fall EC meeting.
- 9) Agenda item 9. Future Fall Field Conferences. Several possibilities were discussed. Adam – Raton and Boot heal. Others include Steeple Rock, Wheeler Peak (perhaps Ren Thompson), San Juan Mountains, Vermeyo Park (Gretchen Hoffman), Otero Mesa and Dulce. Greg Mack suggests Las Cruces for FFC 2018. ACTION ITEM: Matt will contact Tom Williamson and David Gonzales about possible San Juan Basin/Mts conference in 2017.
- 10) Agenda item 10. AAPG meeting and annual report. The AAPG section meeting is July 20-22. Mary will attend the “House of Delegates” meeting, as she is the NMGS delegate.

3:31 PM Ginger calls adjournment of open meeting. So moved.