

FRIENDS OF ARIZONA ARCHIVES
Board of Directors Meeting
Carnegie Library, Phoenix
December 18, 2006

Call to order: Vincent Murray, FAZA president, called the meeting to order at 12 noon. Also present: Anna Uremovich, secretary; Margaret T. Baker and Ryan Flahive (via conference call), directors-at-large; Doug Kupel, member. Absent: John Akers, vice-president; Dawn Nave, treasurer and membership chair; and Bill Sheldon, director-at-large.

Secretary's report: Approval of the September 9th meeting minutes. Ryan/Anna

Treasurer's report: Dawn absent, no treasurer's report.

Membership report: Dawn absent, no membership report.

OLD BUSINESS:

Database/Membership Issues: The database is being worked on by the Webmaster to allow for access by Board via an account. Each Board member will be able to help maintain the database, as opposed to the previous mode by which only the Treasurer had access to data.

Website/Listserver: John absent, tabled.

Newsletter: Due to Shara's illness, Vince will go ahead with the next newsletter, which will focus on the Archives building groundbreaking and FAZA's upcoming 10-year anniversary celebration at the 2007 membership annual meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Status of Archives Building: Doug reported on the status of the building of the new State Archives. There has been progress at the site, a fence has been put up, with construction slated to begin the first week of January 2007. There is a need for additional fund-raising on a larger scale than the "tree of life" project. FAZA is asked to assist in this endeavor, possibly in conjunction with DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution). DAR plans to fund-raise (unknown at what level) for the Archives building as a regent project. A request for firm numbers on what money amount needs to be raised before FAZA commits to the fund-raising. Also, there was discussion of again using a professional fundraiser with better results anticipated, now that the tenuousness of the building is no longer an issue.

Selection Committee: John and Ryan are putting together a list of candidates for the 2007-2008 FAZA Board. The ballot should be ready by May for membership. A progress report will be presented at the next Board meeting.

Meeting Schedule: Margaret called for consideration of set quarterly meetings. Doug would like to revisit reasons for moving the meetings around the state as opposed to keeping them in the Phoenix valley. At issue is the potential impact on attracting Board members. The Board agreed these issues and the group's infrastructure and volunteers would be the focus of discussion for 2007.

Listserve: The Board discussed moving the FAZA listserve to a moderated forum. Options would have membership re-subscribing to the new format, have the current memberships moved over automatically, or leaving the listserve as it is currently. Also, it was noted that the FAZA listserve is distinct from the State Archives listserve. All points would be taken into consideration when evaluating our current system. No action will be taken until evaluation is complete.

Brochure Status: The new FAZA brochure has incorporated the suggested changes. A draft will be ready by January 15th, in time for distribution at the Museums on the Mall.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m. (Ryan/Margaret)