**Central Florida Anthropological Society**

**General Meeting**

**October 21, 2019**

**Minutes**

At approximately 7:07pm, Deborah Bauer called the meeting to order. Approximately 10 people were in attendance in the Community Room at the Winter Park Public Library in Winter Park, Florida.

Bauer welcomed everyone to the meeting. She made the announcement that CFAS Vice President, Ed González-Tennant, would not be attending the evening’s meeting because of illness but sent his regrets. Bauer also announced that Susan Harrington had agreed to serve as CFAS’s new secretary. However, Harrington was not able to attend this meeting due to a prior scheduling conflict.

During the President’s Report, Bauer updated everyone on the FAS state board 3rd quarterly meeting that was held on October 19, 2019 in Gainesville, Florida. Bauer submitted a 3rd Quarter Report on CFAS’s activity and progress prior to the meeting. Copies of that report are available on the CFAS website. During the state meeting a number of topics were discussed including the fact that possible new legislation is being worked on to protect African-American Cemeteries for the next Florida legislative session in 2020; potential themes for the 2020 Florida Archaeology Month which likely will have something to do with African-American Cemeteries; FAS possibly raising membership dues effective in 2021; and possible sites for the 2021 and 2022 FAS meetings being Orlando and Miami.

There was no Vice President’s report due to González-Tennant’s absence.

Bauer stated there was no formal Secretary’s report due to Harrington’s absence. However, she noted that Harrington has been working to update membership files and to get ready for sending dues renewals in January 2020.

During the Media Relations Liaison Report, Rich Ott encouraged everyone to follow the CFAS Facebook page and to join the CFAS Facebook Group for the latest news.

After concluding the announcements, Bauer then introduced the evening’s featured speaker, Dr. Shana Harris of UCF. Shee gave a presentation entitled "A Therapeutic Trip: Treating Drug Addiction with Psychedelics in Mexico." Several individuals asked questions about the nature of her ethnographic fieldwork in Mexico.

At the conclusion of Harris’s presentation, Bauer thanked her for speaking with CFAS. She then made the announcement that CFAS’s November 2019 Guest Lecture Speaker is Dr. Stefan Krause of Seminole State College who will be giving a presentation entitled “The 2014 Mitmit: Practicing Private Heritage in Yap State, FSM."

CFAS officers Deborah Bauer and Rich Ott were in attendance.

The meeting was then adjourned shortly after 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted on October 24, 2019,

Deborah Bauer

President

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