



SOCIETY FOR AMERICAN ARCHAEOLOGY

**COMMITTEE/TASK FORCE CHAIR
SPRING 2023 REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Due to SAA Executive Director, SAA Secretary, and Board Liaison on February 6, 2023, for inclusion in the materials for the Spring Board of Directors Meeting. Your report serves to inform the SAA Board of the committee/task force's accomplishments and as background for the action items.

- The Board asks all committee and task force chairs to use this Word document to report to the Executive Director (ona_schmid@saa.org), the SAA Secretary (Kelley.Hays-Gilpin@nau.edu), and your Board Liaison.
- Reports are required in the spring of each year and optional in the fall.
- **Starting in 2022, Coordinator, Membership and Meetings, posts reports on Committee pages to improve transparency and assist incoming future chairs.**
- If you are able to join us in Portland Oregon, Committee and Task Force chairs are invited to join the Board for **breakfast on Saturday April 1, 2023**. Please RSVP by February 1.

Report of the	Nominating Committee
From Chair	Stephen E. Nash, Denver Museum of Nature & Science
Date	14 January 2023

1. Membership and terms for your committee:

So that the SAA Office's records are as complete as possible, please list your committee members and their terms here. Please also note if there are anticipated changes in a member's status before their term end date.

There were five members of the Nominating Committee. All of their service was completed in 2022.

Chair: Stephen E. Nash, Denver Museum of Nature & Science

Elected Members: Albert Gonzalez of California State University–East Bay and Sunday Eiselt of Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community, Tribal Historic Preservation Office.

Appointed Members: Allyson Brooks of the Washington State Historic Preservation Office and Rebecca Hawkins of Algonquin Consultants of Miami, Oklahoma.

2. Executive summary of Committee's/Task Force's activities over the past year:

Please note that the activities summary should not exceed 250 words. Should the committee or task force be responding to a Board request for a draft document or report, refer to it in the summary and forwarded with this form as an attachment. If no such document was requested by the Board, the executive summary should be confined to the word limit.

The Nominating Committee produced a diverse slate of excellent candidates for the 2023 election. There were five open positions for which we needed candidates: Treasurer-Elect, two at-large board positions, and two nominating committee positions. As is usually the case, it was far more difficult to find candidates willing to run for Treasurer-elect. This is especially true for early career folks given the extent of the commitment. It was slightly easier to get folks to run for the open board positions, though potential candidates are aware that the amount of work that SAA board members are expected to do now is vastly more extensive than in previous years. Nominating committee candidates were easier to fill, but not by as much as one might expect.

3. Items for Board Consideration, if applicable. These are recommendations and requests that specifically require Board approval.

These items range from statements that you may wish to be disseminated, requests to undertake projects, requests to disseminate results, or any other action for which a committee or task force needs specific Board guidance/approval. Please do not embed such items in your activities summary. These items must be separately listed in this section. These are actions you are asking the Board of Directors to take. Please also include a discussion of fiscal impacts, if any, but note that budget requests occur in advance of the Fall Board meeting (and not as part of this report). Should you have questions about whether any of your Committee's items require Board approval,

please consult with your Board Liaison prior to submitting your report. We also recommend that you run a draft of your report by your liaison before you “officially” submit it.

4. Draft motions, if appropriate. (Optional)

Drafting a suggested motion or motions for any requests noted above will help the Board more clearly understand your request and increase the “fit” between the request you make and corresponding Board action. Please keep in mind that suggested motions may be revised or not accepted by the Board, whose responsibility it is to consider the full range of member needs. If you choose to include suggested motion(s) with your report, it is essential that you work with your liaison before you submit your report. They will be able to provide examples of motions that you can use as models for the ones you create.