



## SOCIETY FOR AMERICAN ARCHAEOLOGY

### COMMITTEE/TASK FORCE CHAIR

### FEBRUARY 2024 REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**Due to your Board Liaison on March 19, 2024**, for inclusion in the materials for the Board of Directors Meeting in New Orleans. 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](mailto:ona_schmid@saa.org)), the SAA Secretary (Barbara.roth@unlv.edu), and your Board Liaison.
- Reports are required for the BOD meeting at the Annual Meeting of each year and optional in the BOD September meeting.
- **Please cc: all committee and task force members are carbon copied on the transmittal email.** If committee members have comments on the report to the Board, please contact the Committee/Task Force board liaison within 3 days.
- **Starting in 2022, Coordinator, Membership and Meetings, posts reports on Committee pages to improve transparency and assist incoming future chairs.** This means that
  - Committee chairs are responsible for making sure the entire committee has reviewed the report prior to submission
  - Reports do not include ad hominem attacks or otherwise defame, insult, or libel another person or group
- If you are able to join us in person, Committee and Task Force chairs are invited to join the Board for **breakfast on Saturday April 19, 2024.**

Report of the	Committee on Native American Relations (CNAR)
From Chair	Wade Campbell & Carlton Shield Chief Gover
Date	3/16/2024

#### 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.*

Note: all committee members must review the report prior to submission

Jeffrey C. Bendremer	4/25/2025	Member
Brian Holguin	4/25/2025	Member
Jeff Irwin	4/25/2025	Member
Nicholas Laluk	4/25/2025	Member
Chuck R. Riggs	4/25/2025	Member
Jayne-Leigh Thomas	4/5/2024	Member
Kurt E. Dongoske		Liaison

## 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.*

Note: no report should include ad hominem or denigrating comments about another party or individual. These reports are shared publicly to facilitate transparency among the organization, (such as helping future chairs understand the main policy concerns of the Committee or Task Force.)

Since the annual meeting in Portland, Oregon: CNAR has not held a committee meeting via Zoom or in person. All communication has occurred via email.

The primary activities of CNAR have been responding to requests for comment on Policies, Bills, Issues, etc. by the SAA Board. The most recent meeting in which the Committee Chairs of CNAR were involved occurred in the late summer of 2023 regarding a request for comment/feedback on a Land Acknowledgment Statement for the upcoming SAA annual meeting in New Orleans.

CNAR will be holding a meeting during the annual conference to discuss new membership, committee goals moving forward, and planning for the Native American Reception for the 2025 Annual Meeting.

## 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.*

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**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.*

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