Society for Archaeological Sciences (SAS)
General Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 22, 2018
ISA, Mérida, Mexico

Attended by: Ruth Ann Armitage, Patrick Degryse, Daniel Fraser, Kyle Freund, Alessandra Pecci, Rachel Popelka-Filcoff, Rob Sternberg, Rob Tykot, Michał Wasilewski, and Detlef Wilke

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. Changes to SAS Executive Board
   A. Election of Marcos Martinón Torres as SAS President
   B. Retirement of Rob Sternberg and transition to VP Advisory
   C. New General Secretary: Kyle Freund
   D. New Treasurer: Destiny Crider
   E. New Vice President for Membership Development: Tatsuya Murakami

3. President’s Report

4. General Secretary’s Report

5. Treasurer’s Report

6. Vice President for Membership Development
   A. Possibility of adding a student member to the SAS executive board
   B. Importance of overcoming the perception that SAS is solely an American organization

7. SAS/ISA MOU Proposal
   A. Discussion at the ISA Standing Committee Meeting
   B. SAS membership would be required for attending ISA
      i. Requires rethinking how we process and maintain membership database
      ii. Possibility of a two-year membership
   C. SAS travel bursaries for ISA participants
   D. Website hosting

8. SAS Bulletin
   A. Changes to formatting
      i. Without a regular paper Bulletin, we would lose Institutional members.
   B. Further integration with social media
   C. There was broad support of a quarterly digest to recap and summarize content.

9. Raising SAS Membership Rates
   A. There was broad support for a $5-10 rate raise for entire Society, particularly in light of the benefits we provide members in terms of travel support, poster awards, conference sponsorship, etc.
10. Early Career Programs
   A. “Emerging Investigator” award or “SAS Fellow”
   B. Ideas and strategies for supporting early career researchers in archaeological sciences

11. Nominees for Future President of SAS

12. New Business/Member Discussion
   A. PittCon is another conference to look into in terms of raising awareness of SAS. Ruth Ann Armitage would be interested in supporting this endeavor.