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Wednesday August, 8, 2018

Minutes

1) Call to Order 10:01 a.m.

2) Roll Call

Present: Dennis Preisler, Kathy Ber, Chuck Coughlin, Art Pearce, William Faber, Lisa Atkins (by phone at 11:10am), Phil Hanson (by phone at 10:11am)
Absent: Keiron Bailey

3) Introductions

Lori Wilson –Administrative Assistant, State of Arizona Research Library

4) Approval of Minutes of Previous Board Meetings. Discussion and/or Action

a. September 25, 2017 Regular Meeting

Motion to approve the September 25 minutes by Coughlin, seconded by Pearce.

Aye: Preisler, Coughlin, Ber, Pearce, Faber
Absent: Hanson, Atkins

b. February 21, 2018 Regular Meeting

Motion to approve the February 21 minutes with the change of K. Ber being present by Coughlin, seconded by Pearce.

Aye: Preisler, Coughlin, Pearce, Ber, Faber
Absent: Hanson, Atkins

5) Chair's Correspondence and Activity Report, For Information and Discussion Only
D. Preisler updated that Arthur Pearce has been reappointed to the Board for five years.

6) **ASBGHN Staff Report, For Information and Discussion Only**

   a. Senate Bill 1200: Transportation Revisions (Chapter 260)

      Ryan Ehrfurth updated the Board on Senate Bill 1200, which doesn’t come into effect until June 2019, giving the Board time to adapt to the changes this bill brings in regards to scenic and historic highways. Further discussion will happen in the future on this item.

   b. Council of Geographic Names Authorities Report

      Ryan Ehrfurth submitted the annual report to the Council and it was recorded for their annual conference. The annual report is available to Board members if they wish to view it and it will be put onto the website as requested.

7) **Update on Amendments to Sections 38-431, 38-431.01, and 38-431.07, Arizona Revised Statutes Relating to Public Meetings and Proceedings, For Information and Discussion Only**

Nancy Jasculua from Attorney General’s office updated the changes to open meeting law. Pertains to electronic media communication and enforcement of breaks in the law. Training is available.

8) **ASBGHN Staff Support Draft Policies, For Discussion only**  
   
   Chair

A.R.S. § 41-835.02(D) provides, “(t)he Arizona state library, archives and public records shall provide staff support to the board.” Chair will present the draft policies listed below, prepared by the Arizona Secretary of State’s Office, to the Board for discussion and possible action:

   a. Arizona State Board on Geographic and Historic Names Board- Administration Support
   b. Arizona State Board on Geographic and Historic Names Board- Research Support

D. Preisler updated that the Board will be looking at its by-laws and form a committee so this item is placed aside until then. Members to sit on committee are D. Preisler, A. Pearce, P. Hanson.

9) **Update to ASBGHN Website to Include Posting of Dockets, For Discussion and Possible Action**

D. Preisler updated that this issue had been visited and approved by a previous board so the dockets can go on the website. The Board would like to redo the website and will bring suggestions to a future meeting. They can direct staff of changes they would like as well.

10) **Dockets For Discussion and/or Possible Action**

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New Dockets

a. Docket 2017-05, proposed new name, *Walkabout Mesa* in Yavapai County; Consider/Act upon

Ryan Ehrfurth updated the Board that the applicant is a private citizen and the proposed name change would bring no value to his ranch. There were no responses from parties that would hold interest in the change.

Motion for approval of the new name for Walkabout Mesa feature by A. Pearce; second, P. Hanson

Ayes: Preisler, Hanson, Ber, Faber, Coughlin, Pearce
Absent: Atkins

b. Docket 2017-06, proposed new name, *Lincoln Ragsdale Memorial Monument* in Pinal County; Consider/Act Upon

R. Ehrfurth updated the Board on the background and details of this request. This is an application to name the monument. There were no comments from the public. The family was contacted. There is limited knowledge on how the monument was placed there or received acknowledgement as a scenic monument.

Motion to reject the proposed name change by A. Pearce; second, P. Hanson

Ayes: Preisler, Coughlin, Pearce, Ber, Faber, Hanson
Absent: Atkins

c. Docket 2017-06A, proposed name change, if applicable, from *Jefferson Davis/Jefferson Davis Highway No. 70 Erected 1943 by Daughters of the Confederacy Arizona*, to *Lincoln Ragsdale Memorial Monument*, or if applicable, from *Superstition Mountain Monument to Lincoln Ragsdale Memorial Monument* in Pinal County; Consider/Act Upon

The proposal is to change the name of the monument. There are no Jefferson Davis monuments on any maps currently. It would be physically impossible to change the plaque. Gila River Indian Community rejects the name. This is an administrative change and would not be placed on any maps.

Motion to reject the proposed name change by A. Pearce; second by C. Coughlin

Ayes: Preisler, Coughlin, Pearce, Ber, Faber, Hanson
Absent: Atkins
d. Docket 2017-07, proposed new name, Governor Rose Mofford Memorial Highway in multiple counties; Consider/Act Upon

R. Ehrfurth updated on the responses received on this application, and the sections to which would be considered for the name. There are already sections that are named and this would have to be considered. Discussion on restricting the name to the markers from Globe to Capitol in Phoenix, and the implications for changing a whole road. Implications from SB1200 also considered.

The applicant spoke to the Board about the reasons for his application and the historical significance.

Substitute motion to propose the segment from Globe to the State Capitol be named the Rose Mofford Memorial Highway by C. Coughlin; second by P. Hanson.

Discussion concerning overlaying of the name with the Superstition Freeway and whether signage would be placed by ADOT. Pearce was concerned with the future implications of SB1200 and naming of highways.

Motion to move to executive session for discussion of legal advice with the attorney of the public body by D. Preisler; seconded by P. Hanson
Ayes: Coughlin, Hanson, Pearce Faber, Atkins, Ber, Preisler

Board went into Executive Session
Upon returning from Executive Session, the Board completed the discussion of the Substitute Motion and voted as follows:
Ayes: Coughlin, Hanson
Nayes: Pearce, Faber, Atkins, Ber, Preisler

e. Docket 2018-01, proposed new name, Keating Peak, in Maricopa County; Consider/Act Upon

R. Ehrfurth reported to the Board on the application and had sent notice to the applicant and supporters that the naming process could not happen until the person has been deceased for five years. The Board could vote or defer it due to the rules. Discussion concerning delaying the implementation at the five year mark (2021). Public comment was heard from supporters of the application.

Motion to adopt and delay the implementation of the name Keating Peak for five years by C. Coughlin. No second. Motion fails.

Board directed research staff to research a feature named after Barry Goldwater to establish precedent concerning naming and delaying implementation, and report at October meeting.

Deferred Dockets

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a. Docket 2015-01, Odzilaayé Creek, proposed name change for Little Squaw Creek in Yavapai and Maricopa County; Consider/Act upon

b. Docket 2015-02, Ledni Líí Creek, proposed name change for Squaw Creek in Yavapai County; Consider/Act upon

c. Docket 2015-03, Ché Yagooodigúhn Creek, proposed name change for East Branch Squaw Creek in Yavapai County; Consider/Act upon

d. Docket 2015-04, Iiyá Draw, proposed name change for Middle Fork Squaw Creek in Yavapai County; Consider/Act upon

e. Docket 2015-05, Gosga Creek, proposed name change for North Fork Squaw Creek in Yavapai County; Consider/Act upon

f. Docket 2015-06, Tudigis Creek, proposed name change for South Fork Squaw Creek in Yavapai County; Consider/Act upon

g. Docket 2015-07, Hósh Flat, proposed name change for Squaw Creek Mesa in Yavapai County; Consider/Act upon

Motion to reject the proposed name changes in dockets 2015-01 to 2015-07 by A. Pearce; second L. Atkins

Ayes: Preisler, Coughlin, Pearce, Ber, Faber, Hanson, Atkins

h. Docket 2016-02, proposed new name, Ann Day Memorial Wildlife Bridge, in Pima County; Consider/Act upon

Motion to approve the proposed new name by C. Coughlin. Second by K. Ber.

Ayes: Preisler, Coughlin, Ber, Faber, Hanson, Atkins

Nayes: Pearce

i. Docket 2016-02A, proposed new name, Day Pass, in Pima County; Consider/Act upon

Motion to reject as new name by A. Pearce; seconded W. Faber

Ayes: Preisler, Coughlin, Pearce, Ber, Faber, Hanson, Atkins

j. Docket 2016-03, proposed name change, from Twentyfour and One-half Mile Rapids to Bert Loper Rapid in Coconino County; Consider/Act upon

R. Ehrfurth updated the Board that no other responses were heard on the application. This is a gesture as there already is a monument for Bert Loper.

Motion to approve the proposed name change by C. Coughlin; second by L. Atkins

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11) **Suggested Future Agenda Items, For Discussion Only**

   Board members may wish to suggest a topic or topics to be placed on a future Board meeting agenda. The below list is not intended to be an exhaustive list of items that may be placed on a future agenda:

   a) By-laws Review
   b) Sunset Review

12) **Future Meeting Dates, For Discussion and Possible Action**

   October 23, 2018
   January 22, 2019
   April 23, 2019
   July 23, 2019
   October 22, 2019

   Accepted by the Board for dates. L. Atkins noted her schedule conflicts with the times but will make best attempt to appear.

13) **Comments from the Public**

   No one addressed the board.

14) **Adjournment**

   Motion to adjourn A. Pearce; second by C. Coughlin.

   Ayes: Preisler, Coughlin, Pearce, Ber, Faber, Hanson, Atkins

   **Dennis Preisler, Chair**  
   **Date:** 8/8/2018

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