

ARCHAEOLOGICAL INSTITUTE OF AMERICA

SOUTHERN ARIZONA -TUCSON SOCIETY

BYLAWS

Article I

1.1 The name of this organization shall be called the Southern Arizona-Tucson Society of the Archaeological Institute of America.

Article II

Affiliation

2.1 The Society is an independent entity.

2.2 The Society is affiliated with the Archaeological Institute of America (hereafter referred to as the AIA or the Institute) through the granting of a Charter issued by the AIA after an acceptance vote by the AIA Council.

2.3 The Society has agreed to the following stipulations:

- a) To promote the AIA's mission;
- b) To function within the guidelines of the AIA and not to adopt any that conflict with those of the AIA;
- c) To engage in no activity that would damage the name of the AIA or undermine its mission, including engaging in transactions that remove artifacts from public and scholarly access;
- d) To maintain a membership consisting of a minimum number of persons as required by the AIA, currently 35.

2.4 The Society understands that failure to follow these stipulations can result in the revoking of its Charter by a vote of the AIA Council. If its Charter is revoked, the Society loses its affiliation with the AIA and the right to use the AIA name.

Article III

Purposes

3.1 The purpose of the Society shall be to promote knowledge and study of, as well as interest in, archaeology and related subjects, and to further the aims and programs of the Archaeological Institute of America.

Article IV

Membership and Dues

4.1 The membership of the Society shall consist of residents and students of Southern Arizona who are members in good standing of the Archaeological Institute of America.

4.2 Members of the Society who reside outside of this area may hold membership in the Southern Arizona-Tucson Society providing they remain members in good standing of the Archaeological Institute of America.

4.3 The classes of membership shall be prescribed in the Regulations of the Archaeological Institute of America.

Article V

Administration

5.1 The administration of the Society shall be vested in an Executive Committee consisting of the following officers: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer.

5.2 The President shall be the executive officer of the Society. The President shall call and preside at the meetings of the Society and the Executive Committee, and shall carry out the decisions of the Executive Committee and the Society. The President shall, after meeting with the Executive Committee on the program of annual lectures, be responsible for overseeing the lecture season. The President shall correspond with the speakers, assist them in local travel to Tucson, and arrange for the hospitality of speakers while in Tucson.

5.3 The Vice President shall serve as President in the absence or incapacity of the President, and if the Vice President is not available, such other member of the Executive Committee or the Society as the Executive Committee may designate shall serve as President. The Vice President shall make local arrangements for the lectures including rooms, equipment, etc. He or she shall also oversee the planning for any dinners or refreshments in connection with the lectures.

5.4 The Secretary shall keep the records and transactions of the Society including the membership roster of the Society. The Secretary shall keep this roster up-to-date, checking it monthly against the roster sent from the headquarters of the Archaeological Institute of America. The Secretary shall be in charge of seeking new members and of sending letters of encouragement to members whose dues have fallen in arrears to continue their affiliation and support of the programs of the Archaeological Institute of America. The Secretary shall give notice to the membership of all lecture meetings of the Society, shall submit publicity to the media for lectures open to the public, and shall supervise dissemination of information through other means such as letters, fliers, and posters.

5.5 The Treasurer shall have charge and custody of, and be responsible for, all the funds of the Society, and shall keep accurate records of the assets and transactions of the Society. The Treasurer shall deposit all funds of the Society in the name of the Society in such banks or other depositories as may be designated by the Executive Committee.

5.6 All officers of the Society may appoint committees as provided for by Article 8.3.

5.7 Any vacancies occurring in the offices of Vice President, Secretary, or Treasurer shall be filled by appointment of the President for the unexpired portion of such term. If the office of President becomes vacant, it shall be filled by the Vice President, or if the Vice President is not available, by such other members of the

Society as the Executive Committee may designate, for the unexpired portion of the President's term.

Article VI

Elections

6.1 The officers shall be elected at a meeting called for that purpose by the President in accordance with the decision of the Executive Committee.

6.2 The election shall be held in the Spring of each year by early May.

6.3 Elected officers shall assume office as of June 1 following their election and shall serve for one year. All officers are eligible for re-election.

Article VII

Delegates to the Council of the Institute

7.1 In accordance with Article IV of the Regulations of the Archaeological Institute of America, the Southern Arizona-Tucson Society may elect one delegate to the Council of the Institute for its first 25 members and one further delegate for each additional 50 members.

7.2 The Society's delegates shall be elected at the same time and in the same way as the Society's officers. Since the number of delegates to which the Society is entitled varies with the Society's membership, delegates will be designated as "Delegate #1", "Delegate #2", etc. Delegate #2 will not serve if, according to the Institute's records at the time the list of the Councilors is being constituted, the Society's membership has dropped below 75.

Article VIII

Committees

8.1 The Executive Committee shall be the executive organ of the Society. It shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, and the Treasurer.

8.2 A Nominating Committee shall be appointed annually by the President and the Executive Committee. It shall consist of two members of the Society and shall nominate the list of nominees to serve as officers and delegates for the ensuing year.

8.3 Ad hoc or standing committees may be appointed as necessary by the officers of the Society to help with the fulfillment of their duties. All committees must receive the approval of the Executive Committee at its next meeting to remain in force.

Article IX

Meetings of the

Society

9.1 The meetings of the Society shall present lectures by visiting lecturers from the Archaeological Institute of America and such other programs as the Executive Committee shall consider appropriate. Such meetings may be open to the public or may be restricted in attendance to members and guests as decided by the Executive Committee.

9.2 A business meeting may be called by the President for the election of officers and delegates for the ensuing year, for the presentation of reports on the Society's activities, reports on membership and finances, or for consideration of other appropriate matters. Such a business meeting should take place by the early part of May.

9.3 If no business meeting is held, a written report on membership and finances shall be sent to all members.

Article X

Dissolution

10.1 In the event of dissolution of the Southern Arizona-Tucson Society, any funds belonging to the society at the time of dissolution shall, after all debts have been paid, be given to the Archaeological Institute of America.

Article XI

Adoption and Amendments

11.1 These bylaws shall be adopted at a meeting of the Society. Adoption shall be by a majority of valid ballots of those in attendance in person or by proxy.

11.2 These bylaws may be amended by mail ballot. Amendments shall pass by a two-thirds majority of valid ballots returned. Alternatively, these bylaws may be amended at any business meeting of the Society, provided notices of the meeting and the proposed amendments have been mailed to all members at least seven days before the date of assembly.