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Lisa Atkins, State Land Commissioner

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
ARIZONA STATE PARKS BOARD
June 24, 2015**

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 24, 2015, in the Arizona State Parks offices located at 1300 W. Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona.

Board Members Present (some via teleconference)

R.J. Cardin, Chairman; Kay Daggett, Vice-Chairman; Alan Everett; Shawn Orme; Orme Lewis, Jr.; Mark Brnovich; Lisa Atkins

Staff Members Present

Sue Black, Executive Director; Kelly Moffitt, Deputy Director; Kent Ennis, Deputy Director, Administration; Monica Enriquez, Public Information Officer.

Attorney General's Office

Brian Luce, Assistant Attorney General; Paul Katz, Assistant Attorney General

A. CALL TO ORDER – Roll Call

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Cardin led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. INTRODUCTIONS OF BOARD MEMBERS AND AGENCY STAFF – Board

Statement - "As Board members we are gathered today to be the stewards and voice of Arizona State Parks and its Mission Statement to manage and conserve Arizona's natural, cultural and recreational resources for the benefit of the people, both in our parks and through our partners."

D. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT – The Arizona State Parks Executive Director will give an update to the Arizona State Parks Board.

Director Black said today is a historic day. She said she is the Arizona State Parks Director as well as the Chairman of the Yarnell Hill Memorial Board. She said it has been a pleasure working on this project. Thanks to everyone on behalf of the families.

E. CALL TO THE PUBLIC – Those wishing to address the Board must register at the door and be recognized by the Chair. Presentation time may be limited to three minutes at the discretion of the Chair; the Chair may limit a presentation to one person per organization. The Board may direct staff to study or reschedule any matter for a future meeting.

There were no comments from the public.

F. BOARD ACTION ITEMS

- a. Consider for Approval pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-519.01 (C)(2) the Recommendation by the Yarnell Hill Memorial Site Board to name the Yarnell Hill Memorial Site the Granite Mountain Hotshots State Park.

Mr. Luce said the Yarnell Hill Memorial Board was set up by the Legislature and includes 14 members including State legislators, city officials and members of the families of the Granite Mountain Hotshots and a surviving Hotshot.

He said the Memorial Board's tasks include establishing the memorial, working with parties to design and construct the memorial, planning and securing necessary permissions, planning for the maintenance and preservation of the memorial at the conclusion, soliciting money and donations from the public, and submitting a report to the Governor, Speaker of the House and President of the Senate on December 31, 2015.

He said the Memorial Board created four subcommittees to meet these goals: access, memorial design, fundraising and maintenance and preservation.

Director Black introduced Deborah Pfingston who is on the Design subcommittee and mother of one of the Granite Mountain Hotshots. Amanda Marsh who is the wife of the Granite Mountain Supervisor suggested the families be contacted to submit appropriate names for the memorial.

She said the families submitted names and voted on them. The Top 3 choices were Granite Mountain Hotshots State Park, Granite Mountain Hotshots Memorial Park and Granite Mountain Hotshots 19 Memorial Park. She said the families were honored to be asked to be given the opportunity to do this.

Ms. Daggett asked if the families had objections to Memorial Park or State Park. Ms. Pfingston said it was almost a dead tie for either choice.

Director Black said this would be the first Memorial Park in the system. Ms. Daggett said she would like to see State Park in the name. Chairman Cardin concurred.

Mr. Everett motioned to name the Park the "Granite Mountain Hotshots Memorial State Park." Ms. Daggett seconded the motion. The motion passed.

G. TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING AND CALL FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

1. The next Arizona State Parks Board Meeting will be held on **Wednesday, July 15, 2015 at 10:00 AM**. Location to be determined.

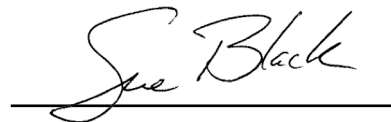
Director Black noted that the Lodge at Tonto Natural Bridge is not ready for overnight stays but the next meeting could be held there. It was decided to have the July 15 meeting at the State Parks offices in Phoenix and a future meeting may be held at Tonto Natural Bridge State Park in the fall.

2. Board members may wish to discuss issues of interest to Arizona State Parks and request staff to place specific items on future Board meeting agendas.

H. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:28 p.m.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Sue Black", written over a horizontal line.

Sue Black, Executive Director