

WYOMING BOARD OF GEOGRAPHIC NAMES  
MINUTES OF MEETING

May 14, 2015

In attendance: Herb Stoughton, Venice Beske, Devin Traff

By teleconference: Dan White, Larry Schmidt, Mary Agnes McAleenan, Mary Garman, Paul Scherbel

Absent: Calvin Williams, Cindy Brown, Jack Studley, Janie Nelson, Jason Feltner, R.J. Pieper, Scott Scherbel, Tom Kropatsch

- I. Meeting called to order at 3:05 p.m. in the State Engineer's Office, Cheyenne, WY by Herb Stoughton, Chairman, Wyoming Board of Geographic Names.
- II. Roundtable introductions were completed.
- III. Minutes of the November 20, 2014 meeting were reviewed and approved.
- IV. Old Business:
  - A. Venice Beske has worked with Jenny Runyon of the USBGN to fix several typographical errors in the GNIS, and estimates she is about 20% complete. A geographic name in Goshen County, Zenar, may be changed to Zenor, pending approval from a local family. Venice will obtain feedback from the family on whether to proceed with the change and submit the proper documentation.
- V. New Business
  - A. The proposal to change the name of Devils Tower to Bear Lodge was tabled to November. Crook County plans to send comments to the WBGN before the November meeting for a potential action by the board.
  - B. J. Carlo Cannell's application for the WBGN will be sent to board members. Please provide your recommendation for his appointment before June 1, 2015. The board will vote at the November meeting.
  - C. Dan White represented the WBGN at the 2015 COGNA event. Executive Director, T. Wayne Furr, will be stepping down from COGNA and will be replaced by Caleb Maki, Executive Director of the Washington Board of Geographic Names.

- VI. Next meeting scheduled for **November 19, 2015** at 3:00 p.m. in Cheyenne to be held in the State Engineer's Office conference room.
- VII. Meeting adjourned at 3:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Devin Traff  
Executive Director/Secretary  
WY Board of Geographic Names