

# Minutes of the Utah Friends of Paleontology Southwest Chapter Meeting – April 18, 2012

At 7 p.m., Steve, our President, called the meeting to order, and welcomed the 28 attendees.

Elisabeth read her minutes of the previous meeting on March 21, which was followed by vote approval and thus were subsequently entered into the record.

Linda read her treasurer's report indicating a current balance of \$919.97 after adding \$15 for a new membership and deducting the mandatory state dues of \$125 (25% of \$500).

Steve reminded us of the upcoming State Annual Meeting to be held on April 27-29 in Salt Lake City at the new Natural History Museum hosted by the Great Basin Chapter, and that there still was time to participate if so wished.

Also, that no further UFOP SW chapter meetings were scheduled till September 2012.

Andrew, our advisor, spoke about the coming SGDS museum exhibit, officially opening on May 1st and lasting till the beginning of December of this year. It is called "Where do Dinosaurs Get Their Crazy Names?" displaying historical backgrounds, including exhibit examples and root words for their scientific names, while offering fun and creative learning opportunities for all ages.

Steve then introduced our speaker, Jake Skabelund. Jake was originally scheduled to give a dual presentation with Val Gunther at our previous meeting on March 21st, but ultimately could not make it. He then graciously consented to give a presentation on his own, titled: "The Art of Trilobites." He showed us many beautiful slides of these creatures while offering pertinent and interesting information, and bringing a dozen or so samples of superbly prepared fossils.

The meeting was adjourned around 8:45 p.m.

*Submitted by Elisabeth Nipperus, Secretary UFOP SW Chapter  
September 19, 2012*