

SMRAS Board Meeting
May 13, 1976

The meeting was called to order by Dick Mrstik at 8140 p.m. at the home of Barbara Patterson. The following members were present: Brown, Coggeshall, Wiltse, Weiler, Jacoby, Jamieson, Metzler, Panko, Holmes, Anderson, Smith, Spendlow, Patterson & Hartmann. Absent: McGrath, Gillette, & Wecker. Also present were committee chairmen Mountain & Charlie Daniels.

The minutes were approved as read.

The balance of SMRAS was \$3,257,92. The Sanctuary Endowment Fund - \$15,377.09.

The Laura M. Brinton Memorial Fund - \$647,07.

President's Report:

1. A letter from regional director Dick Rhindress has been received with certification for another year.
2. Greenburg Nature Center will hold an ecology weekend May 15 & 16 for fund raising.
3. Sister to the Beard and Area Chairmen of the Fund Drive. The time 5100 p.m.
6. The President will attend the Regional Audubon Conference for New England & Barbara Patterson will be the chair. Chair of the Brinton Brook advisory committee & J. Ja D. M. & G. I. q. pi. 2 IS < M' t O, flifi!! "lft Yh" all C&S' ThL il: L. L' P" j, l "07. oief. .ctor; (, ,.
7. The Board will hold meetings the first Thursday of each month,

Carol Coggeshall moved we pay dues of \$25. to FCWC. Seconded and approved.

It was moved that Rita Wecker be the new nominating committee chairman. Seconded and approved.

A motion was made that the new treasurer and president be authorized to sign checks. Seconded and approved.

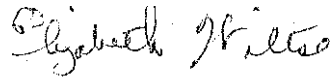
It was decided that we have a booth at the June 12th Bicentennial celebration in Pleasantville, Cost to be \$10.

Committee Reports:

1. Fund Drive • Mr. Daniels reported that solicitation is under way, but Chappaqua & Ossining have not completed arrangements, It may be necessary to take action. As of May \$1547.49 has been received from 26 contributors.
2. Sanctions
 - a. Brinton Brook the fence should be repaired, There will be a public hearing on Bastys property. May 25 at 8100 p.m. Barbara Patterson will attend.
 - b. Choate - a gift of the real estate taices has been received.
3. Carol Coggeshall reported that hearings for dredging at Playland will be held,
4. Naturalist • Kaye Anderson and Dottie Metzler reported on the conference held at Greenwich, There are mini-grants involving high schools and colleges which should be considered.
Bob Swetzer will take part in the June 20th Greenwich count.

5. Membership - 853 was the February report.
6. Field Trips - There were 20 people at the Elmsford Ridge and 14 have signed up for Chincoteague
7. Sunflower seeds - Lester Holmes will continue in charge. Seeds will be received the latter part of October and 3 or 4 strong backs are needed to help unload. There will be a sign up sheet at meetings.
8. Hospitality - Edith Hartman said we should do more to make newcomers feel welcome at meetings, The suggestion was made that we use name tags for members and perhaps a colored tag for guests.
9. Sanctuaries (2) - Carol Coggeshall reported that the signs for sanctuaries have been completed and are ready to be placed.
The agreement for SMRAS to be custodians for Graff Sanctuary has not yet been completed nor has the solution to the problem of the stone cistern.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 p.m.


Elizabeth Wiltse
Recording Secretary