

SMRAS Board Meeting
September 8, 1977

The meeting was called to order by Dick Mrstik at 8:30 p.m. at the home of Kaye Anderson. The following members were present: Anderson, Bischoff, Coggeshall,

Gillette, Hartmann, Holmes, Metzler, Mrstik, Panko, Smith, Wecker & Wecker, Williams and Wiltse.

The minutes of the June 2, 1977, meeting were read. Dottie Metzler moved that they be accepted as corrected. Seconded and approved.

The Treasurer's report was read by Dick Mrstik. The balance of SMRAS was \$11,839.48. The Sanctuary Endowment Fund - \$20,732.35. The Laura M. Brinton

Memorial Fund - \$709.43.

The President reported that National Audubon Society has accepted the Hardscrabble Lake Property. Dick has written them a letter saying we are willing to act as manager and also stating some of the problems.

Carol Coggeshall reported that Lillian Hellman may be willing to make a contribution to establish a sanctuary endowment fund.

A letter has been received from Dick Rhindress saying that the 1978 regional conference is looking for space for next summer.

Committee reports:

Membership - 788

Hospitality - Stan Wecker suggested that we serve coffee after the October general meeting to see how people respond.

Lester Holmes reported that the price on sunflower seed will be a little more than last year and that thistle seed is very hard to get. The sale will be October 27.

Field Trips - September 17 - Jamaica Bay and September 23-25 Block Island.

Program - Our benefit program will be held at the Pleasantville High School.

Kaye reported vandalism at Brinton caused considerable expense. Also there are holes in the bulletin board at Gedney.

Thelma Smith moved that the club reimburse \$41.20 to Kaye for damage to her car at the summer school. Seconded and approved.

Harold Bischoff suggested that if we have another summer school we get the information out earlier and limit it to high school age.

The October Board meeting will be held at the home of Betty Wiltse.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.



Elizabeth Wiltse
Recording Secretary