

SMRAS Board Meeting
June 5, 1980

The meeting was called to order by Doug Maynard at 8:30 p.m. at the home of Dottie Metzler. The following members were present: Alice and Phaedon Avouris, Lee Boyd, Carol Coggeshall, Lester Holmes, Phyllis Jacoby, Lloyd Jamieson, Stan Lincoln, Nano Mardones, Doug Maynard, Colleen McGrath, Dick Mrstik, Drew Panko, Hoch Reid, Thelma Smith, Rita and Stan Wecker, and Betty Wiltse.

The minutes of the May 1, 1980, Board Meeting were read. Carol Coggeshall moved that they be accepted as corrected. Seconded and approved.

The Treasurer's report: The balance of SMRAS - \$20,124.40. The Sanctuary Endowment Fund - \$36,513.00. The Laura M. Brinton Memorial Fund - \$364.04.

The President reported that the Readers Digest is really interested in the Earth Fair and wants more details on what we want to do. Lee Boyd, with the assistance of Dottie Metzler, will set up a plan and have a preliminary meeting. Other Audubon Societies will be contacted later.

An audit of the Treasurer's books has been made. The Auditing Committee will reply later.

A letter of appreciation for the gift of the Adams property should be sent to Dr. Pruyn from the Board.

Hoch Reid has received a letter from Bradley Sanders with the deed to the Adams property. According to State Law an application for tax exemption must be made each year.

Stan Lincoln raised the following questions: Do we have the proper legal setup for the possession of so much property? What is the Treasurer's function? Would a post office box be helpful? Who should be the responsible officer in dealing with various forms? Should we have a sanctuary committee?

Kaye Anderson has taken on the responsibility of overseeing work at the sanctuaries.

Doug Maynard will look into the problem of directing mail.

Hoch Reid moved that Rita Wecker, Lloyd Jamieson, Drew Panko, Lee Boyd and Doug Maynard be the Executive Committee during the summer months. Seconded and approved.

Rita Wecker reported that we have deposited \$15,000 in the Fidelity Daily Income Trust.

Drew Panko moved that the resolutions for telephone redemptions of shares be attached to the minutes. All withdrawals should be made payable only to SMRAS. Seconded and approved.

The problem of the fence at Brinton Brook adjacent to Ambeklands should be turned over to the Brinton Brook Committee.

Hoch Reid moved that Kaye Anderson be authorized to spend not over \$50. to have a pileated woodpecker stuffed. Seconded and approved.

The Youth Conservation Corps should be able to help in the sanctuaries this summer.

We should check with Kaye about walking the easement at Gedney.

Carol Coggeshall reported that people wish more spraying had been done to control the gypsy moth. There should be a program in the Fall to help control it.

After a dissertation by Drew Panko on the use of bird call tapes on field trips, Stan Lincoln moved that we ask the field trip committee to draft a position for the Society to take on the use of tapes. Seconded and approved.

We have 796 members with 13 new members.

Lloyd Jamieson reported that no action had been taken with regard to disbursements from the Light Scholarship Fund, which now has \$1,000. A donation will be made by the senior class at Horace Greeley. A recommendation will be presented to the Board early in the Fall as to how contributions will be made toward scholarships.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Colleen McGrath in September.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

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Recording Secretary