

SMRAS Board Meeting
November 6, 1980

The meeting was called to order by Doug Maynard at 8:30 p.m. at the home of Hoch Reid. The following members were present: Kaye Anderson, Phaedon Avouris, Frank Gillette, Myllis Jacoby, Lloyd Jamieson, Stan Lincoln, Doug Maynard, Richard Mrstik, Drew Panko, Hoch Reid, Thelma Smith, Rita and Stan Wecker and Betty Wiltse.

The minutes of the October 2, 1980, Board Meeting were read and accepted as corrected.

The Treasurer's report: The balance of SMRAS - \$17,804.32. The Sanctuary Endowment Fund - \$36,488.61. The Laura M. Brinton Memorial Fund - \$373.27. The Light Memorial Scholarship Fund - \$1,342.34

Rita Wecker reported that the mowing done at Brinton Brook had cost \$490. and that the money in the Laura M. Brinton Memorial Fund will pay part of it so as to close out the fund.

Hoch Reid moved that Cynthia Boden, Dottie Metzler and Betty Brown be members of the Nominating Committee. Seconded and approved.

Dorothy Rath will be chairman of the Christmas Tea. The date will have to be changed from December 7 to December 14 because of a conflicting date in the church calendar. Stan Wecker suggested that we send out a mailing to members with notice of the change.

The negotiations with Dr. Kaufmann on the property adjacent to Brinton Brook have been turned over to National.

Stan Lincoln moved that we communicate to National our interest in promoting this deal ~~and~~ ^{and} as a measure of our interest we will pay for an appraisal up to \$400 in the event the donor of the land is unwilling to pay. We will assume management as we have with Brinton Brook. Seconded and approved.

Mr. Danneman of National will be invited to the next Board Meeting for his presentation on the techniques of fund raising.

Dick Mrstik said that Louise Brown has volunteered to take over publicity. Robert Nelson will assist her. His specialty is photography.

Membership - 766

The Board expressed thanks to Alice Avouris for keeping the mailing list up to date.

Drew Panko volunteered to keep a list of birds seen on trips.

We will participate with an exhibit in a Westchester County program to be held on May 17, 1981.

Lloyd Jamieson said that the Learning Activities Program is continuing. If it works we should submit it to National for their use.

Stan Lincoln moved that we accept the mailing of the FWC appeal for members to the membership of SMRAS. FWC to pay cost. Seconded and approved.

Stan Wecker moved that we write a letter to the supervisor of New Castle stating that we are interested that the development of the Berenson property proceed in accordance with the State and Township Wetlands Laws and that we reserve the right to review any environmental impact statement that is prepared for the project. Seconded and approved.

Kaye Anderson reported that Dr. Pruyn will underwrite the hiring of someone to work in the sanctuaries next summer.

Inene Pokowitz has resigned from the Board because of ill health in her family.

Frank Gillette moved that Carol Coggeshall be elected to fill the unexpired term of Inene Pokowitz. Seconded and approved.

The next meeting will be held at the home of the Weckers.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

Elizabeth Wiltse
Recording Secretary