

SMRAS Board Meeting
February 4, 1982

The meeting was called to order by Bob Keyes at 8:20 p.m. at the home of the Weckers. The following members were present: Kaye Anderson, Midge Arnold, Alice Avouris, Harold Bischoff, Roger Christian, Frank Gillette, Ellen Heidelberger, Robert Keyes, Stan Lincoln, Drew Parko, Hoch Reid, Barbara Spengler, Rita and Stan Wecker and Betty Wiltse.

The minutes of the January 7, 1982, meeting were read. Hoch Reid moved that they be accepted. Seconded and approved.

The Treasurer's report: The excess of Revenue over Expense April 1, 1981 - January 31, 1982 - \$6,240.85. The balance: \$25,619.61. The Endowment Fund: \$42,688.61. Light Memorial Scholarship Fund: \$1,565.60.

Members of the Board have received a progress report on activities of the Education Committee which will be discussed at the March Board Meeting.

Kaye Anderson reported that we are covered by the insurance policies of National and Nature Conservancy at the sanctuaries owned by them and managed by SMRAS.

It was the sentiment of the Board that although there are no restrictions on the money to be used at Brinton, a report on money spent should be sent to Mr. Weinstein.

Frank Gillette reported that the surveyor has checked out the boundaries at Graff and finds that the purchaser has extended the area used 33 ft. beyond the boundary of the plot purchased. \$15. has been paid to the surveyor for correcting the map of Graff.

The 1982-83 budget was discussed

Stan Lincoln moved that the Budget Committee be requested to rethink the amount of the increase in the Naturalist's salary and adjust the proposed budget accordingly. Seconded and approved.

Membership as of 12-31-81 is 781. We are now in 6th place in renewed memberships.

Hoch Reid moved that Stan Wecker be authorized to use the mailing list to mail out brochures at no cost to SMRAS. Seconded and approved.

Frank Gillette explained that dirt found in some of the seed is accumulated mill dust.
about the trip he is taking to Keyes

Stan Lincoln moved that an additional \$75. donation be made to FWC making our total contribution \$100. Seconded and approved.

The next Board meeting will be held at the home of Ellen Heidelberger.

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

Elizabeth Wiltse
Recording Secretary

EDUCATION PROGRAM - PROGRESS REPORT *date? 1977?*

With the establishment last year of the full-time Naturalist's position, the Society markedly increased its educational potential. The Education Committee has been very busy ever since planning and developing an expanded program.

A study was begun to develop overall educational goals and achievable objectives. At the recommendation of the Committee, your Board has adopted the following:

Goals

- * To create a greater awareness and appreciation of the natural world around us.
- * To foster the preservation of flora, fauna and other natural resources to insure their presence for the use and enjoyment of future generations.
- * To generate an awareness of the impact of human activities on the natural environment, and to instill a sense of stewardship for the earth and its resources.

Objectives

- * To reach, inform and stimulate more young people to achieve the Society's goals.
- * To alert, inform and train teachers in relation to the educational goals of the Society.
- * To broaden knowledge and participation among adults who have evidenced interest in the environment.
- * To stimulate interest and participation among other members of the adult community.
- * To utilize sanctuary lands owned and managed by the Society as natural laboratories for educational purposes.

To achieve these objectives, a number of strategies are being considered. Implementation has already begun on some, while others are in different stages of planning. Among the strategies being considered are:

- * Working in conjunction with educators, to integrate the naturalist's program into the ongoing school curricula.
 - o Establish a pilot program with one elementary school.
 - o Establish a program to develop volunteers to take the Society's educational program into more schools.
- * Establish a special summer program for young people.
- * Establish a summer credit course for high school students.
- * Establish appropriate adult education courses through continuing education.
- * Schedule a variety of special field trips.
- * Establish a SMRAS resource file of speakers and materials, and promulgate its use among other community organization.