

SMRAS Board Meeting
April 11, 1985

The meeting was called to order by Hoch Reid at 8:40 p.m. at the home of Peter Burckmyer. The following Directors were present: Alice Avouris, Peter Burckmyer, Frank Gillette, Ellen Heidelberger, Sophie Keyes, Doug Maynard, Drew Panko, Hoch Reid, Pam Rubin, and Betty Wiltse. Judy Rosenthal was also present.

The minutes of the March Board Meeting were read and accepted as corrected. On Page 1 only Pam Rubin and David McIntire were to attend Albany Day. On Page 2, members of the Pension Committee are Lee Boyd, Frank Gillette and Dick Weinland with Stan Lincoln as Chairman.

The Treasurer's report: Excess of Revenue over Expense April 1, 1984 - March 31, 1985, \$5917.09. The Balance - \$25,917.09. The Endowment Fund - \$58,790.90. Light Memorial Scholarship Fund - \$10,961.00. Saw Mill Audubon Scholarship Fund - \$6,650.00. Naturalist Medical Benefits Fund \$1,298.35.

Pam Rubin said that Albany Day was the first time we had been asked to come to such a meeting. It's a good idea but needs work.

Peter Burckmyer reported that a meeting had been held to discuss the future of the society, to bring in some fresh thought. Pam Rubin, Dr. Pryne, Roger Garrison, Kaye Anderson and Peter Burckmyer attended. Peter gave a review of the meeting and also reported on answers to a questionnaire answered by members of Saw Mill.

Peter said a committee should be organized to plan what to do when Kaye Anderson retires and to find out what Dr. Pryne would like us to do in connection with his property.

Hoch Reid reported on the Down State Council Meeting held March 30, 1985, at Westmoreland. About 25 people were present representing various chapters. From all reports, Saw Mill is doing very well.

Frank Gillette reported that there would be an increased insurance cost of \$300 to \$500 if work parties are covered under our insurance policy.

Frank Gillette moved that the surplus of \$5,917.09 in the Current Fund be transferred to the Endowment Fund. Seconded and carried.

Kaye Anderson and Frank Gillette walked Graff Sanctuary Boundary and find that some surveyors pipes need to be replaced. A work party will be needed. One of the property owners adjoining is interested in helping and has friends who are also interested. There is a need for a sanctuary chairman or some kind of organization to look after the sanctuary and report to some central person.

Judy Rosenthal said that the Conservation Advisory Committee in Croton has asked her to join Friends of Turkey Mountain. She has been asked to a meeting and will see what is going on.

She has also had contact with a Mr. Miser whose hobby is keeping track of legislation. He might be helpful to Saw Mill.

Alice Avouris said that National has sent her the names of the three people who are to be transferred from Bedford to Saw Mill. As of March 1, 1985, our membership is 804.

Pam Rubin reported that National has given documentation that Millwood and Maryknoll are now a part of Saw Mill.

David McIntire, Midge Arnold, Peter Burckmyer and Drew Panko are on the Program Committee with Stanley Wecker.

Next Board Meeting will be held at the home of Alice Avouris.

Being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:46 p.m.