

SMRAS Board Meeting
May 5, 1987

The meeting was called to order by Donna Nye at 8:25 p.m. at the home of Frank Gillette. The following Directors were present: Midge Arnold, Alice Avouris, Richard Blain, Frank Gillette, Ellen Heidelberger, David McIntire, Sophie Keyes, Donna Nye, Pam Rubin, Stan Wecker and Betty Wiltse. Harold Bischoff was also present.

The minutes of the April Board Meeting were accepted as corrected. In the sixth paragraph - "It was suggested that we not make" rather than "we make".

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Treasurer's report: Excess of Expense over Revenue April 1, 1987 - April 30, 1987 \$1,577.76. The Balance - \$19,413.34. The Endowment Fund - \$68,360.03. Light Memorial Scholarship Fund - \$11,189.00. Saw Mill Audubon Scholarship Fund - \$5,361.00. Naturalist Medical Benefits Fund - \$32.10.

In answer to the question "How much money can be given for a research grant?" The Education Committee can make the decision. ~~From the Sawmill Audubon Scholarship fund~~

The Audubon Biennial Convention will be held in the State of Washington in August.

The following are scholarship recipients:

Amy Jacobson - Audubon Ecology Camp
Judy Brennan, Chappagua Garden Club Scholarship, - Audubon Camp in Maine
Nancy Gumbinner - Audubon Camp in Wyoming

Larry Light Scholarship

Tamar Keil - \$350. for Wildwood Nature Camp
Melissa Lalak - \$120. for Camp Colby
Christian Musgrave - \$120. for Camp Rushford
Stephen Dougherty, \$50. for 4-H Youth Program

Danna Nye said that the Gedney Brook walk is beautiful but needs more work.

Hal Bischoff will inquire about the City Bank's grants. David McIntire will write up something for an application. The money could be used for work on the trails in various sanctuaries.

The Youth Group would like to do some work on sanctuaries before the Family Day. David McIntire will work with Kaye Anderson to see what should be done first.

Membership - 845 as of March 31, 1987. The money received from memberships will be somewhat less next year.

Stan Wecker reported that the Delmarva trip has been cancelled because so few enrolled.

The Program Committee will welcome suggestions for next year.

Pam Rubin said that New Castle is instituting a recycling program to help with refuse disposal.

David McIntire said we should contact National again about the woman who is encroaching on Graff Sanctuary.

Sophie Keyes said the Youth Group - The Audubon Teatown Outdoor Club - will have a "Handicap Day" on May 17th. They gave a program at Bethel Home recently.

The Summer issue of the "Bulletin" has a June 15 deadline.

Ellen Eidelberger reminded the Board that the books should be audited.

Frank Gillette said that the Larry Light Scholarship should be defined. The report should be recorded and appended to the minutes. There should also be a projection for the future of our Society.

Harold Bischoff brought up the need for a handbook defining each Director's work.

A deputy will be needed to run the seed sale because Frank Gillette will be away at that time.

The next meeting of the Board will be held June 2, 1987, at the home of Midge Arnold.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

Elizabeth Wiltse
Recording Secretary

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The minutes of the Annual Meeting, April 24, 1987, were approved as read.