

SMRAS Board Meeting
January 5, 1989

A meeting was called to order by Stan Lincoln at 8:30 p.m. at the home of Pam Rubin. The following Directors were present: Midge Arnold, Alice Avouris, Richard Blair, Ruth Bucher, Peter Burckmyer, Frank Gillette, Ellen Heidelberger, Sophie Keyes, Stan Lincoln, Nina McCall, David McIntyre, Donna Nye, Drew Panko, Pam Rubin, Barbara Spengler, Stan and Rita Wecker, and Betty Wiltse.

The minutes of the December 1, 1988, Board Meeting were approved as corrected. The 6th paragraph should read "The Prickley Pear Hill Development has proposed..." Membership should be 789. Delete paragraph at top of Page 2; also paragraph 6. 2nd paragraph, Page 2, should read "Frank Gillette moved that the Board authorize the expenditure of \$800. in addition to the previously authorized \$800..."

Treasurer's report - Excess of Revenue over Expense April 1, 1988 - December 31, 1988 \$131,047.07. The Balance \$152,740.32. Endowment Fund - \$71,792.27. Light Memorial Scholarship Fund - \$12,866.00. Saw Mill Audubon Scholarship Fund - \$2,931.00.

The Treasurer reported that she has received contributions of \$165. to be used in memory of Kaye Anderson. The bird seed sale has a profit of \$6,984. and the benefit is now in the black by \$9.00.

We should let the Lights know what has been done with the Light Memorial Scholarship money.

Membership as of December 2, 1988 - 794

Frank Gillette reported that there is an additional tenant who will pay \$200. for the Pruyn house.

Midge Arnold, David McIntyre and Peter Burckmyer are working on the trails to see which ones should be improved. They have discussed trimming with Assis on how to have a good basic route laid out.

Barbara Spengler reported that her committee had met in December to plan the dedication. The tentative date is September. Another meeting of the committee will be held to decide what type of program we will have. We should also have a meeting with the neighbors to tell them of our plans.

Donna Nye said that the Education Committee is making plans for conducting the interviews with applicants for the position of Naturalist.

We should have a notice in the "Bulletin" that contributions to the Kaye Anderson Memorial Fund for Education can be sent to the Treasurer.

Donna Nye moved that we establish the Kaye Anderson Memorial Fund to be used for environmental ~~and~~ educational purposes. Seconded and carried.

Stan Lincoln appointed Alice Avouris chairman of a committee to decide on an appropriate memorial to Kaye Anderson in recognition of her work in the sanctuaries.

David McIntyre reported that Tod has bought the material to complete the next section of the board walk at Gedney and hopes to have it completed by the next Board meeting.

George Case thinks we should take an interest in the plans for a development adjacent to Chernik.

The New York City Water Supply Department says we cannot walk on their property when doing the bird count.

Stan Lincoln would like to have someone attend the March meeting of the Audubon Council of New York State. We have an opportunity to nominate a candidate to serve on the Council. In the GA of Directors of Nat'l

Stan Lincoln moved that for the next three years we increase the size of our Board from 18 to 20. Seconded and carried.

The Board decided that we are interested in the New York Public Libraries' questionnaire concerning environmental matters. We may have records that would be helpful.

The February Board Meeting will be held at the home of the Weckers.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:25 p.m.

Elizabeth Wiltse
Recording Secretary