

Saw Mill River Audubon Society  
Board of Directors Meeting  
October 1, 1992

President McCall called the meeting to order at 8:10 PM at Alice Avouris'. The following directors were present: Anderson, Avouris, Bowman, Goplerud, Heidelberger, Keyes, Stan Lincoln, John McCall, Nina McCall, Neski, Nye, Miller, Romaine, Smolin, Rita Wecker and Stan Wecker. Anne Swaim was also present. President McCall distributed summary notes of our September 12 workshop.

The minutes of the September 10 Board meeting were accepted as read.

Ellen Heidelberger reported that for the six months ended September 30, 1992, expense exceeded revenue by \$2,759.68 and that fund balances on that date totaled \$581,099.01. Ellen distributed the attached comparison of our actual revenue and expenses for half of the fiscal year to the 1992-1993 budget. We discussed the suggestion that the balance in the Kaye Anderson Memorial Library Fund, some \$259, be spent on shelves.

Alice Avouris reported that the Society had 803 memberships as of September 3.

Diane Neski has agreed to serve as Hospitality Chair and to organize the Holiday Tea.

President McCall reported on the New York Council meeting, which she, John McCall, and Anne Swaim attended. Stan Lincoln moved that we send \$383.90 to the Northeast Regional Office. Seconded and carried. Nina said that she had bought two chairs for the office at a rummage sale, but that a filing cabinet and bookcase are still needed.

Anne Swaim presented the attached report of her September activities and her October schedule. Jim Anderson moved that up to \$200 be spent on the printing of additional trail maps. Seconded and carried.

Jim Anderson said that he expects to order about 55,000 pounds of bird seed for the upcoming sale, somewhat less than last year. On the subject of the proposed door to the Pruy House office, Jim has received two bids: one for \$4,200 and one for \$3,080. It was suggested that the architect might know of other contractors.

Mary Bowman reported that she had sent out four press releases and that the Publicity Committee would be meeting on the 18th. The idea of mailing flyers for individual events is probably too expensive most of the time.

Martin Smolin told us of the County's decision to buy the Pocantico Lake property for a park. Martin said that he will ask us to write letters in support of transferring state funds from transportation projects to land acquisition in the Adirondacks.

Stan Lincoln reported favorably on the Federation of New York Bird Clubs meeting in Oneonta from September 24 - 26, which he and Berna attended. Resolutions were passed in support of preserving the Adirondacks, preserving Sterling Forest, and land acquisition generally. Another resolution was adopted in support of protecting the double-crested cormorant on Lake Ontario. Apparently fishermen misunderstand the effect that this species has on their catches.

Following Anne Swaim's departure, personnel matters were discussed.

The next meeting is scheduled for November 5th at the Lincolns'.

The meeting was adjourned at 10 PM.

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Recording Secretary