## MISSOURI CHAPTER, AMERICAN FISHERIES SOCIETY 19th ANNUAL MEETING

February 19, 1981

(Minutes of Business Meeting)

Location:

Student Union Auditorium, University of Missouri,

Columbia, Missouri

President Jones:

Called the meeting to order. Approximately 50 people were in attendance and a quorum of 20 members was present. He called for a reading of the minutes of

the 18th annual business meeting.

Secretary Wehnes:

Read the minutes; Lee Redmond moved acceptance and Ken Minter seconded the motion. The minutes were

approved as read.

President Jones:

Asked for a treasurer's report.

Treasurer Czarnezki:

Reported a checkbook balance of \$627.66 on February 12, 1980. Income for 1980 came from banquet profits (\$87.94), dues (\$190.00) and reimbursement from North Central Division for the FFA career booth (\$100.00), totaling \$377.94. Expenses totaled \$673.73. Major items included beverages and a band for the smoker (\$81.61 and \$300.00 respectively), FFA booth (\$113.15), D-J expansion donation (\$75.00) and awards framing (\$52.19). The checkbook balance on February 19, 1981 was \$350.37. As of the time of the business meeting, 91 members

President Jones:

Called for a motion that the treasurers report be accepted. Slim Funk moved acceptance and Ken Minter

had paid chapter dues adding \$227.50 to the treasury.

seconded. The motion carried.

President Jones:

Called for a report from the nominating committee,

chaired by LeRoy Heman.

Mr. Heman:

Thanked his committee, comprised of Jim Kahrs, Paul Mehrle and Dick Anderson, and nominated Jim Fry for President-Elect, Rich Wehnes for Secretary and Jim

Czarnezki for Treasurer.

President Jones:

Asked for nominations from the floor; there were none. Ralph Steppe moved that the nominations cease, Joe Dillard seconded. The slate of officers was approved

by voice vote.

President Jones:

Asked for a report of the Awards Committee, chaired by Joe Dillard.

Mr. Dillard:

Thanked his committee comprised of Jim Fry and Dick Schoettger, and stated that the committee had selected recipients for the Award of Excellence and Letter of Recognition, and that these would be presented at tonight's banquet. Mr. Dillard also stated that the committee did not complete the task of defining guidelines and procedures for selecting awards recipients, and suggested that the new president appoint a separate committee to draw up and submit guidelines to the membership via the newsletter and report back to the membership at next year's business meeting.

President Jones:

Called for a report of the EIS Review committee, chaired by Rich Wehnes.

Mr. Wehnes:

Stated that the chapter had only received two 404 public notices, and he did not feel they were important enough to comment. He felt that it is possible that the chapter had been purged from mailing lists, and urged the next EIS Review chairman to contact all seven Corps of Engineers districts in Missouri to insure that we are on the appropriate mailing lists. Mr. Wehnes stated that the chapter had sent a letter of support for the Missouri River mitigation effort, thanks to the help of Norm Stucky.

Mr. Ragland:

Added that the chapter had commented positively on their flood control project on Maline Creek, and stated that the chapter's comments were very constructive and would be considered.

President Jones:

Called for a report of the Resolutions committee, chaired by Bill Dieffenbach.

Mr. Dieffenbach:

Thanked committee members Al Buchanan and Steve Gutreuter and stated that the committee had met on February 13, 1981, and considered and approved five resolutions to be submitted to the members. Resolution 1 was in support of efforts to mitigate fish and wildlife habitat losses on the Missouri River. Minor changes were suggested and integrated. Stan Michaelson moved that the resolution be adopted, Slim Funk seconded and the resolution passed. Resolution 2 urged the Missouri Clean Water Commission to adopt channel modification guidelines proposed by their staff. Minor changes were suggested and integrated. Slim Funk moved that the resolution be adopted, Jim Czarnezki seconded and the resolution passed. Resolution 3 urges the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service to publish

rules to establish uniform procedures for federal agency compliance with the Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act. Minor changes were suggested and integrated. Slim Funk moved to adopt the resolution, Ralph Steppe seconded, and the resolution passed. Resolution 4 indicated the chapter's appreciation to the Missouri Attorney General and the Directors of the Missouri Department of Natural Resources and Conservation for their efforts in the Stockton and Harry S. Truman Reservoir Project litigations. Following minor changes, Spence Turner moved to accept the resolution, Charlie Suppes seconded, and the resolution passed. Resolution 5 supported deauthorization of the Meramec Park Lake and Union Lake projects. Minor changes were suggested and integrated. Jim Whitley moved that the resolution be adopted, Dave Foster seconded and the resolution passed.

President Jones:

Called for more resolutions from the floor. A suggestion on whether we should consider a resolution on the sagebrush rebellion was made by ? . Discussion centered around the chapter's position on the subject and the procedural question of how such a resolution would be sent. Stan Michaelson moved that a committee be set up to discuss, draft and send an appropriate letter. Lee Redmond seconded and the motion carried.

Mr. Brummett:

Cited problems with water withdrawals and asked whether the committee had considered an appropriate resolution.

Mr. Bachant:

Stated that the committee had considered it, but felt that the issue might be more timely next year.

President Jones:

Called for a report of the Membership Committee, chaired by Ron Crunkilton.

Mr. Crunkilton:

Thanked Steve Gutreuter for his help. He stated that the committee contacted the parent society and found that there are 119 members in Missouri. The committee has also compiled a list of consulting firms in the state. These lists were the basis of a stepped up drive to encourage membership.

President Jones:

Asked Lee Redmond to report on the North Central Division Executive Committee meeting held in Minneapolis/St. Paul.

Mr. Redmond:

Stated that four resolutions were passed: one on Missouri River mitigation; a second supporting a time extension for the Upper Mississippi River Master Plan; a third commending the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service for their research efforts, and a fourth expressing appreciation to the Minnesota DNR. The executive committee discussed and approved a \$100.00 allocation for our participation in the FFA career show. Herb Lawler was installed as the new President, James Triplett was elected President-Elect, and Don Duerre was reelected as Secretary-Treasurer.

President Jones:

Began old business by discussing the D-J Expansion effort, in the absence of Don Kangas. President Jones summarized by saying the status of the bill was outlined in <u>Fisheries</u>. The bill did not pass last year, but a conference is scheduled in March to attract attention to the funding problems in the states. The executive committee voted last year to donate \$75.00 to the effort, which the D-J Expansion Committee appreciated. The new president should assess whether more money should be donated for the renewal effort.

President Jones:

Thanked last year's participants in the FFA Career Booth, and called for a volunteer to supervise this year's display. There was none. Asked for a motion to drop our involvement. There was none. Asked for more discussion. There was none. Suggested that the new executive committee establish the extent of our interest and involvement in the future.

President Jones:

Called for increased involvement by the membership and suggested that an additional meeting, of a social or professional nature, might increase activity. Called for the new executive committee to look into these and other means to increase chapter membership and activity.

President Jones:

Announced that professional certification forms were available from Rich Wehnes, and anyone desiring to become a Certified Fisheries Scientist should see Rich.

President Jones:

Turned the presidency over to Dave Foster.

President Foster:

Thanked Jack for his effort, and charged the membership to get involved. He stated that the executive committee will be suggesting a variety of activities and opportunities, but it's up to the members to participate.

President Foster:

Called for a motion to adjourn. Spence Turner so moved, Charlie Suppes seconded, and the meeting adjourned.

Respectively Submitted,

Richard E. Wehnes

Secretary