

MISSOURI CHAPTER, AMERICAN FISHERIES SOCIETY

22nd ANNUAL MEETING

February 9, 1984

(Minutes of Business Meeting)

- Location: Room 309, Hearnese Multipurpose Building, University of Missouri, Columbia, Missouri.
- President Charlie Rabeni: Called the meeting to order. Approximately 40 people were in attendance and a quorum of 20 members was present
- President Rabeni: Acknowledged the contribution of the gavel from the Missouri Department of Conservation Fisheries Management Section to the State Chapter that was used to open the meeting.
- President Rabeni: Asked that copies of the minutes and Treasurer's report be distributed from the 1983 meeting. Both reports were approved.
- President Rabeni: Introduced North Central Division President Joe Dillard and asked him to report on NCD matters.
- Mr. Dillard: Joe stated that three past NCD Presidents had come from Missouri; P. G. Barnacle, Dick Anderson, and Slim Funk. The format of an annual yearbook has been dropped in favor of two semi-annual newsletters. Bob Kendall will assume duties as editor for Transactions, the Journal of Fisheries Management and the Progressive Fish Culturist. AFS is presently broke, but the bright spot is only \$67,000 dollars remains to be paid off on the permanent home fund. Contributions were encouraged and the efforts of Ralph Steppe were acknowledged for raising \$340 from the Missouri Department of Conservation Hatchery Section for the permanent home fund. The paddlefish symposium which Joe has been closely involved with will be published by NCD. NCD officers will be elected by mail ballot this year. The parent society has asked the State and local chapters to align their election of officers with the parent society.
- President Rabeni: Asked for committee reports. The chairmen for the membership and EIS committees were not present. FFA committee Chairman Steve Eder's report was read by Jim Fry. Steve has served in this capacity for seven years and asked a new chairman be appointed.

Awards: George Fleener acknowledged the assistance of members in the selection process, and announced awards would be presented at the banquet.

Resolutions: Tom Coon introduced three resolutions. The first supported renewal of the Clean Water Act, the second reaffirmed the State Chapter's support for the Cooperative Fishery Research Units and the third cautioned against construction of additional pumped storage hydroelectric power plants. All the resolutions were passed with minor changes.

Nominating Committee: Steve Weithman reported on nomination of new officers. James Whitley, President-Elect, Secretary Kristine Strodthoff and Treasurer Kevin Sullivan were elected.

President Rabeni: Asked for discussion of old business.

Joe Dillard: Asked for continued support of D-J. The bill passed the house and will be taken up by the Senate early in the year. The bill now has bipartisan support and is expected to pass unless it gets tangled up with other budget considerations.

Bob Legler: Presented past President certificates to Dave Foster and Stan Michaelson. Other past Presidents at the meeting were acknowledged: John Funk, Dick Anderson, George Fleener, Joe Dillard, and Jim Fry.

President Rabeni: Asked for new business. The proposal to change the adoption of new officers to coincide with the parent chapter drew a great deal of discussion. A decision could not be made at the meeting because it would require a 60-day notice of all members. Gary Novinger was appointed to address the pros and cons and report in writing in the next newsletter. Any changes will be voted on by members.

Lee Redmond: Lee discussed the possibility of selling AFS or Department publications as a fund raising measure for the parent chapter. No concensus was reached, but the matter will be looked into further.

President Rabeni: With all other business accomplished, the new officers were installed and the presidency was turned over to John Belshe.

President Belshe: Thanked everyone for their efforts in the past year and called for adjournment.