

GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF MINNESOTA

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING

Saturday, October 6, 2001

I. CALL TO ORDER: The October Board Meeting, held at the home of Alex and Marlys Lowe, was called to order by President Bill Robbins at 2:03 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Bill Robbins, President; Steve Erickson, Treasurer; and Judy Hamilton, Secretary. Also present were Directors Paul Lemke and Gail Marshall and Board Members Elect Ted Chura, Paul Martin and Nina Ward.

OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT: Rick Uthe, Programs and Lectures; Tom Schoenecker, Exhibits; Alan Smith, Internet; Doug Zbikowski, Public Service; Margaret Rodina, Field Trips; Alex Lowe, Video Library; and Marlys Lowe, Budget.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Katy Paul, Rosie O'Donovan and Dave Christianson.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Paul Lemke moved to accept the minutes from July 14, 2001 as amended. Gail Marshall seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Minutes from the September 24, 2001 Annual Meeting were read. Paul Lemke moved to accept these minutes as corrected and Gail Marshall seconded the motion. Motion passed.

III. TREASURER'S REPORT:

Steve Erickson distributed a financial report as of September 23, 2001. Current assets are as follows:

Checking Account	\$1,049.73
Savings Account	613.58
Money Market	8,612.90
Video Library	647.81
Public Service	544.12
Total Assets	\$11,468.14

An audit should be completed by the next Board meeting.

Judy Hamilton moved to accept Treasurer's report. Gail Marshall seconded the motion. Motion passed.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. MEMBERSHIP

Gail Marshall reported that there are 151 members, four received as a result of the State Fair exhibit. One membership was received as a gift, one from a letter and two from the Internet.

B. Newsletter

Editor absent. Next deadline for submissions is November 1.

C. Field Trips

D. Exhibits

Tom Schoenecker distributed a State Fair Report. He reported that 58 members worked a combined total of 288 hours at the 2001 booth. Discussion followed regarding costs of running the booth and Tom suggested changes for next year's booth.

E. Programs, Lectures & Labs

(See New Business)

F. Public Service & Outreach

Doug Zbikowski said more rock boxes have to be filled for school outreach. Doug also discussed proposed CD Rom project. (See New Business)

G. Video Library

Alex Lowe reported that we still need a new chairperson for this committee. Members are temporarily assisting in bringing videos to the lectures. These people are Bill Robbins, Ted Chura, Paul Martin and Alex Lowe. Bill Robbins discussed the possibility of new procedures for handling the Video Library

H. History & Archives

No report.

I. Social

No report

J. Budget

Marlys Lowe reported that the committee will present a formal report in December.

K. Internet

Alan Smith reported that the Brownstone Project is complete. The newsletter is now on the web.

V. OLD BUSINESS

None

VI. NEW BUSINESS

1. Lectures – Rick Uthe

Rick reported that, due to the State of Minnesota strike, there will have to be some changes and shifting of lectures and speakers. Rick is working on this problem now.

2. Absence of President for Lecture– Bill Robbins

Bill reported that he will not be available to lead the October 22 lecture. Steve Erickson has volunteered to perform this task that evening.

3. New Officers

Nominations for 2002 GSM Board Officers were as follows:

President – Steve Erickson
Vice President – Paul Martin
Treasurer – Ted Chura
Secretary – Judy Hamilton (continuing for second term)

Gail Marshall moved that the slate of officers be accepted. Paul Lemke seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Science Museum – Bill Robbins

Bill asked if the Board wished to provide a Letter of Support for the Science Museum's "Community Partnerships Serving Science" proposal to the National Science Foundation. A copy of the proposal was distributed to the Board. A vote was taken, the Board agreeing to provide this Letter of Support. Doug Zbikowski volunteered to write the letter.

5. CD Rom Program/Marker Project – Doug Zbikowski

Doug has applied to the Historical Society for grant money for this project. He demonstrated, to the Board, a CD web site for this project. Discussion followed regarding use of the grant, future use of the product, time commitments, etc. A project description, along with a copy of the State Grants-In-Aid Program Application to the Minnesota Historical Society, was distributed to the Board. Doug requested \$606 as a cash match to set this project in motion.

A vote was requested to begin Phase I of the CD Rom project. Steve Erickson made a motion to proceed with the Phase I grant proposal and expend \$606 to begin this project. Judy Hamilton seconded the motion. There were two (2) no votes, one (1) abstain vote, and five (5) yes votes. Motion passed.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting will be the Holiday Party/Board Meeting on December 8, 2001 at the home of Goldie Johnson.

President Robbins called for adjournment. Steve Erickson moved to adjourn and Gail Marshall seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Hamilton
Secretary