

GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF MINNESOTA  
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING  
December 12, 1998

I. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was held at Goldie Johnson's home. President Sylvia Huppler called the meeting to order at 2:50 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Sylvia Huppler, President; Dave Christianson, Vice President; Pat Johnson, Secretary; Directors Bruce Goettman, Marlys Lowe, and Paul Lemke; and Board members elect Steve Erickson, Bill Robbins, Jean Hosterman and Gail Marshall.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Don Mattsson, Tom Burt, and Dick Heglund.

OTHER MEMBERS PRESENT: Rick Uthe, Program, Lectures, & Lab Chair; Judy Hamilton, Show & Exhibits Chair; Doug Zbikowski, Public Service & Publicity Chair; Galen O'Connor, Field Trips Chair; Alex Lowe, Video Chair; Don Swensrud, Social Chair, and members Dwight Robinson, Katy Paul, and Aida Robbins.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The Minutes of the October, 1998 Board Meeting, with corrections, were approved. Marlys made a motion to accept the minutes and Bruce seconded the motion. Passed.

III. TREASURER'S REPORT: Bruce Goettman is substituting for Don. As of 12-98:

Checking	\$ 2769.68
Savings	1133.04
Educ. Fund	8470.18

Dave C. made a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Marlys seconded the motion. Passed.

IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1. MEMBERSHIP: Bruce reported that there are 128 paid members, which may or may not be down from last year at this time.

2. FIELD TRIPS: There will be a Jan. 18 meeting at Sylvia's for both Programs & Field Trip Committees.

3. NEWSLETTER: Judy introduced Katy Paul as a possible Newsletter editor. Nora can no longer do the mailing. Bulk rates will increase so we'll use first class mail for now.

4. PROGRAM-LECTURES AND LABS: Rick reported that everything is fine and that the room for winter quarter will be 375 Science Building.

5. PUBLIC SERVICE: Doug reported no activity on Phase II of the Marker Project. School Outreach sold seven rockboxes to DNR naturalists. Six presenters are now trained in. There's many backlogged requests from teachers. Doug requested free GSM membership for the grad student presenters. Dave made a motion to this effect, and Paul seconded the motion. Passed. Doug requested \$160 to cover maps he had purchased for the presenters. Paul made such a motion, and Dave seconded. Passed.

Six separate entities will receive Xmas gifts from the GSM funded through voluntary contributions.

6. SHOW AND EXHIBITS: Judy reported that Paul painted the Fair exhibit panels. Judy is now looking for light boxes. Rick Hosterman is still contact person for the State Fair. He compiled a procedural book.

7. SOCIAL : Don S. reported a surplus of \$30.86. Following a discussion, Marlys made a motion to stop serving refreshments at lectures for a trial period. Paul seconded. Passed. The Board thanked Don for his ten years of service on the Social Committee.

8. VIDEO LIBRARY: Alex reported there is \$795 in the bank & there are no missing videos.

9. INTERNET: Bentley will chair again. Judy noticed items on Internet need correcting, & permission needs to be obtained before putting an individual's name on the Internet.

10. BUDGET: Bruce is working on taking over the treasurer's position. There will probably be a meeting in Jan.

11. HISTORY & ARCHIVES: Marlys reported they are almost finished culling old GSM materials. She will inquire if these can be stored at the Geological Survey.

#### OLD\ NEW BUSINESS:

Rick Uthe presented information about past & possible new lecture themes for next year's series. After a discussion, Marlys made a motion to accept "The Evolution of Phanerozoic Life on Earth" for the 1999-2000 lecture theme. Paul seconded the motion. Passed. There was also some discussion about lab topics, i.e. fossils & microfossils.

Next Board meeting will be Feb. 6 at Marlys' house at 1:00.

VI. ADJOURNMENT: Marlys made a motion to end the meeting. Paul seconded the motion. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at (approx.) 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Pat Johnson, Secretary