

# New England Estuarine Research Society



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## MEETING MINUTES 21 OCTOBER 1988 HOLYOKE, MASSACHUSETTS

The meeting was called to order at 1618 hours by President Loder.

The Secretary's report was accepted as read.

The Treasurer's report was accepted as read.

Secretary-Treasurer Bireley presented a summary of the meeting attendance.

President Loder asked that discussions regarding the Constitutional changes be postponed until later in the meeting.

President Loder announced that the Executive Committee has designated Dave Dean as Honorary member of NEERS.

President Loder reported that the Executive Committee recommended that dues for students and emeritus (retired) members be reduced to \$5. After some discussion a motion was made and passed to reduce dues for student and emeritus members to \$5.00.

President Loder reported that the Executive Committee had also considered adjusting registration fees for students. The consensus of the membership was that rather than waiving the fee entirely for Ketchum competitors, that the fee be reduced for all students.

President Loder made the following ERF announcements:

1. The next ERF meeting will be held in Baltimore, MD, October 8-12, 1989. In addition to contributed paper sessions, the following invited symposia have been planned: Nutrient Transport etc. There will be no constituent society paper sessions so that all are integrated into the meeting.
2. The ERF newsletter is supposed to be received by all NEERS members whether they are members of ERF or not. When about 20 NEERS members indicated they were not receiving the newsletter, President Loder said he'd try to resolve this.

President Loder announced that the next NEERS meeting will be held June 1-3 in southeastern Connecticut. It will be a joint meeting with the Southern New England Chapter of the American Fisheries Society and will be hosted by Northeast Utilities Service Co. Because the ERF meeting will be held in the fall of 1989, there will be no fall NEERS meeting in 1989. The spring 1990 meeting will be held in northern New England and will feature a celebration of 20 years of NEERS!

There was no Old Business.

Under New Business, Charlene D'Avanzo suggested that the single-author requirement for competing for the Ketchum prize be waived for undergraduates. Kathy Smith suggested that a new undergraduate award be created in honor of Stubby Rankin. President Loder said that the Executive Committed would consider this.

President Loder reviewed the reasons for the proposed Constitutional changes and opened the floor for discussion. After some discussion, Secretary-Treasurer Bireley read the newly worded sections of the Constitution (see attached).

President Loder introduced the candidates for NEERS officers: President/President-elect - Anne Giblin and David Townsend; Secretary-Treasurer Brad Barr and Marshall Pregnall. There were no nominations for the floor. The membership voted by secrete ballot on the Constitutional changes and the officers. The proposed changes to the Constitution were accepted by the membership. Anne Giblin, with more votes for President/President-elect, was elected President, David Townsend, President-elect and Marshall Pregnall was elected Secretary-Treasurer.

As her first duty newly-elected President Giblin appointed Jay Moore as Historian and as her second duty asked for adjournment.

The meeting was adjourned at 1711.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda E. Bireley,  
Secretary - Treasurer

At the banquet, Christine Maier was awarded the Ketchum Prize for the best student paper.