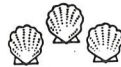


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Minutes of the Business Meeting, St. Andrews, 26 May 1979

President Bernie McAlice called the meeting to order at 1210. The President commended the individuals at Fisheries and Oceans Canada, and the Huntsman Marine Laboratory for their fine work setting up the meeting. The membership moved and voted to forward \$100.00 to be shared by HML and F. and O. Canada to help defray costs. The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were read and accepted.

Bob Radulski requested a status report on the Beer Blast Endowment Fund. He also made his usual plea for subscriptions to ESTUARIES.

Twenty-one new members were added at the meeting. President McAlice noted they would undoubtedly be good members as they already absented themselves from the business meeting.

President McAlice recommended that in January 1980 the Executive Committee set dues at \$5.00 annually. Invoices will be sent to members to attempt to increase the cash flow (and thereby the Endowment Fund). Two dollars of the dues will be put into a fund to pay for page charges in ESTUARIES for those who have no funds for publications. Ernie Ruber reminded the members that paying the page charges will get the paper published faster, as only 10% of each issue contains free pages. Members will request the Executive Committee for funding. The motion to accept the recommendation was made by Stubby Rankin, seconded by Mike Mazurkiewicz and voted.

President McAlice then gave a slide show and talk on the wonders and marvels of Jekyll Island, Georgia. The possibility of a group means of transport for NEERS members was discussed and will be presented in the call for papers for the Fall meeting. The cut-off date for papers and intent to attend the ERF meeting via group rates will be the end of June. If the abstracts are to ERF by early July they will be included in the program.

Sandy Libby addressed the membership in regards to setting aside the Friday afternoon session of the Spring 1980 meeting for discussion of problems with individuals involved in regulation formation, communication between scientists and laymen, etc. It was decided that some formal structure be maintained and possible use of case histories, or panel discussion be used.

President McAlice reminded the members of Art West's invitation to visit the Cobscook Bay Lab on their way home.

The meeting was adjourned at 1235.

Respectfully submitted,


C. J. Myles, Secretary