

# New England Estuarine Research Society



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Minutes of the Business Meeting  
Mystic, Conn 16 May 1980

President McAlice called the meeting to order at 2046 hrs.  
He introduced our distinguished guests from ERF:  
Bob Reinold (ERF President) and Quint White (ERF Newsletter publisher). And thanked Barbara Welsh, Enie, Penny and Pris for their excellent work at putting together this meeting.

Barbara Welsh reported on the ERF business meeting,  
Donna Johnson gave a memory recall of the NEERS  
business meeting at ERF.

The Treasurer's Report was read and accepted.

There was no Old Business

New Business:

- Estuaries subscriptions mandatory with membership would cost members \$11-13 plus dues.
- Estuaries is solvent this year with approximately 451 library and 499 individual subscriptions.

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- NEERS members should get precedence in presenting papers at NEERS meetings; the same proposal was put forth at ERF but defeated at the Board meeting.
- There will be a session on "Hard Bottoms" in Oregon at the next ERF meeting; a leader is needed to head up the session; NEERS is invited to have their session; and any additional sessions should be suggested to Pres. McAlice.
- Marine Education Association (NOAA) resolution was read by Pres. McAlice, move: Harry Spencer, substitute motion by Ernie Ruber, discussion followed and passed substitute motion, noted that the vote was not unanimous.
- A single NEERS representative will attend ERF Board meetings to cut expenses. This will require a constitutional change.
- National Marine Education Assoc. will meet at Salem State College, Salem, Mass. in August.
- Thanks to Mickey Weiss and Project Oceanology for the Open House and boat tour.
- The Executive Committee is soliciting nominees for officers to be elected at the fall meeting.
- The fall meeting will be hosted by the Bigelow Lab., Boothbay, Me.
- Sandy Libby's session was instructive, it is a new line for us to try, and the Exec. Comm.

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would like feedback from members.

- the members were asked if they preferred Sat. business meetings to Friday evening ones; the consensus was to hold the meetings on Friday after the Banquet.
- It was requested that Abstracts of the papers be sent to each member, however, this is not feasible. Anyone can talk with the authors and get a copy of their abstract.
- the rationale behind the dues increase was explained.
- there was a suggestion to reduce the length of papers and encourage more poster sessions, especially at the beer blast; no motion made.
- Barbara Welsh suggested a letter of thanks to the Seamen's Inn for their facilities and assistance be drafted for her and Pres. McAlice's signature.
- motion for adjournment, passed.

Respectfully submitted

C. J. Myles

Secretary for the  
last time!