GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF MINNESOTA

MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING July 13, 2002

L CALL TO ORDER: The July Board Meeting was called to order by President Steve Erickson at 1:45 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Steve Erickson, President; Ted Chura, Treasurer; Judy Hamilton, Secretary and Directors Gail Marshall, Rosie O'Donovan and Bill Robbins.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Paul Martin, Katy Paul and Nina Ward.

OTHER GSM MEMBERS PRESENT: Alex Lowe, Video Library, Marlys Lowe, Budget, Tom Schoenecker, Exhibits, Don Swensrud, Social, Doug Zbikowski, Public Service, Sylvia Huppler, Dick Heglund and Ken Barklind.

- II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Bill Robbins moved and Gail Marshall seconded that the minutes from April 6, 2002 be approved. Motion passed unanimously.
- III. TREASURER'S REPORT: Ted Chura, Treasurer, reported that the March/April accounts were transferred to TCF. Discussion followed regarding need to move \$975 in Unrestricted grants to Restricted. Discussed new banks to put CD's in.

Ted distributed a budget form to the Board and Committee members.

Cash balance as of this date: \$12,349.53.

Bill Robbins moved that the Treasurer's report be accepted with an Amendment to move the \$975 grant from Restricted to Unrestricted. Judy Hamilton seconded the motion. Motion passed.

III. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Membership

Gail Marshall reported the following information:

There are 142 total members:

Broken down as follows:

- 4 students
- 99 individuals
- 33 families
- 1 sustaining
- 4 presenters
- 1 life

New members since September 2001:

- 1 classroom presentation
- 4 from lecturers/banquets
- 1 family
- 8 from state fair
- 9 from web site

B. Newsletter

The next deadline for newsletter submission is August. There was some discussion regarding information for the News.

C. Field Trips

Gail Marshall discussed the Gunflint Trail trip to be held in September.

Doug Zbikowski discussed the S.W. Minnesota trip to be held in July.

D. Show and Exhibits:

Tom Schoenecker reported that the State Fair will be held from August 22 through September 2, 2002. He has sent an article to Katy Paul for the newsletter. A Fair Committee is established and he has the worker chart ready. Discussion followed regarding upgrading the booth or providing a new one. Discussed using the lecture series poster, displaying rocks. It was the general consensus that we title the booth, "Rocking the State for 65 Years."

E. Programs and Lectures: No report

F. Public Service:

Marker Project

Doug Zbikowski reported that there are 30 marker sites around Minnesota. He discussed their relationship to natural history markers. He also discussed missing or stolen plaques.

Outreach

A lot is going on. Doug stated we cannot do presentations for home schoolers.

Business Cards

Discussion was held regarding GSM business cards with the statement "Rocking the State Since 1938." Ted Chura moved that Doug print 1500 cards or up to \$100 worth. Gail Marshall seconded the motion. Motion passed.

G. Video Library:

No report. We need a new person to transport videos to the lectures and somewhere to store them

H. History and Archives:

Rosie O'Donovan reported that she looked at boxes stored at the survey. Discussion followed regarding what to do with stuff perhaps dispose of multiple copies to create less boxes.

I. Social:

Don Swensrud reported that reservations have been made at the Maplewood Old Country Buffet for the Annual Banquet in September. Some discussion was held on finding a new location to hold future banquets.

J. Budget:

Marlys Lowe stated that we need the budget for the next Board meeting in October.

- K. Internet: No report. However, Alan Smith sent e-mails he had received. (Attached) Doug Zbikowski discussed putting the plaque information/pictures on the web site. Ted Chura said he has responded to one of the e-mails about a bird fossil that had been found.
- III. OLD BUSINESS: None

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. The new Board member Nomination Committee is Steve Erickson, Gail Marshall and Bill Robins. Nominees, so far, are Ken Barklind, Sylvia Huppler and Marlys Lowe.
 - 2. Doug Zbikowski discussed a new phone messaging system for Fran Corcoran.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Next meeting will be October 3, 2002 at 6:30 p.m. Location to be announced.

Ted Chura moved that the meeting be adjourned. Judy Hamilton seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Hamilton