Newsletter Texas Chapter American Fisheries Society Number 26 December 1982

Apologies to all for the lateness of this newsletter. Joe Tomasso has graciously (foolishly?) agreed to take over newsletter duties and I'm sure he'll be more punctual than I was this time. Good luck - Joe!

The Annual Meeting in Kerrville on October 15-16 was a tremendous success. Over 120 chapter members attended and 141 members, friends and spouses enjoyed the barbecue Friday night.

The panel discussion was informative and stimulating. We know it was a great success since the question and answer period at the end lasted 30 minutes past keg tapping time.

Don Steinback has appointed the following to serve as committee chairmen for 1982-83.

Awards: Tom Linton
Publicity: Clell Guest
Editorial: Dick Luebke

Farm Pond Stocking: Brian Murphy

Advertizing/Exhibits: Allen Forshage - tentative

Nominating - Billy Higginbotham - Surprise Billy - hope you agree to serve - Don hasn't been able to reach

you!

The minutes of the Annual Meeting and a list of current 1982-83 paid-up members follows. Membership now stands at 129, while 63 1981-82 members have not yet renewed. If you are not on the list and wish to receive future newsletters and Proceedings T please send \$5.00 with your name, address and affiliation to Maury Ferguson, 1113 Spearson Lane, Austin, TX 78745.

Minutes -- Business Meeting

Texas Chapter AFS

15 October 1982, Kerrville

Gary Valentine called the meeting to order and determined that a quorum was present. He recognized past presidents of the Chapter that were present.

The Secretary/Treasurer read the minutes of the last annual business meeting. The minutes were approved. The Secretary/Treasurer then read the treasurer's report.

SECRETARY-TREASURER'S REPORT 1981-82

Total income for the year was \$2,418.63; total expenditures were \$995.37 leaving a balance of \$1,463.26.

INCOME	
Balance from 80-81 and dues collected 81 meeting Contributions Dues - collected the rest of the year 1982 barbecue dinners Sales of Proceedings Interest on Savings	\$ 799.16 610.00 502.00 420.00 50.00 37.47 \$ 2,418.63
EXPENDITURES	
Printing of Proceedings Postage Honorarium for Dave Phillips Printing - newsletters and 82 programs Stationery and mailing envelopes Contribution to AFS permanent home fund raffle Miscellaneous (1981 meeting, 2 past-president's certificates, photograph for display, frame, film)	\$ 539.28 110.08 75.00 69.81 54.41 25.00 121.79 \$ (995.37)
	\$ 1,463.26

The barbecue dinner will cost at least \$525 leaving an approximate starting balance for 1982-83 of \$938.26.

Gary Valentine gave the President's address. He spoke in favor of the new meeting arrangements on two days instead of one and was pleased with the large turnout. He complimented Dick Luebke on handling the arrangements. Gary listed the achievements of the Chapter and suggested that his goal was to strengthen existing activities rather than adding new committments. Gary had asked Carl Sullivan to attend but Mr. Sullivan declined. Stationery was bought for use in Chapter business. A display notebook was put together for the annual parent society meeting by Jimmy Dean and the publicity committee and Maury Ferguson. He urged the membership to reply to issues raised in the newsletter. It's the only way to communicate during the year. Gary mentioned that there is some interest in having a joint 1983 meeting with another state such as Oklahoma. The executive committee had discussed sponsoring a symposium but came to no definite conclusions. Gary suggested that a Chapter brochure be created and that a separate committee be formed to write and distribute the newsletter.

Committee Reports

Program - Don Steinbach

Don passed the floor to Dick Luebke who reported on planned activites—the social and the tour of Heart of the Hills.

<u>Auditing</u> - Joe Tomasso for Mike Zeman Joe reported that the books were in order.

Editorial - Gary Matlock, Gary Garrett and Don Steinbach
Gary Matlock reported that the proceedings turned out well and got favorable notice.

<u>Pond Management</u> - Bill Rutledge

Bill discussed the avenues that were explored and then used to publish and distribute the Pond Management Recommendations.

1. D J Grants - VSFWS. There was too much red tape and loss of control

over the distribution and appearance of the final copy.

2. SCS and TPWD are publishing numbers that they need.

3. TAMU is publishing copies with a Texas Agricultural Extension Service logo.

4. TPWD averages 100/month. SCS has printed 8 to 9,000 copies and has distributed most of them. TAES printed 9,000 in 3 printings - most are gone.

The recommendations have been well received and have received national notice. One reason is the stocking key. Don Steinbach commented that he hopes other states will pick up the idea.

Publicity - Jimmy Dean, Jim Cox and Barry Lyons

Letters advertising the Texas Chapter annual meeting were sent to 62 universities and sportswriters. The display notebook was assembled by Jim Cox and Maury Ferguson.

Membership - Clell Guest for Don Whitmore

Clell also recognized Brian Murphy. There is a healthy trend upward. Membership for 1981-82 was 155. The Fisheries Workers Directory has been put on a computer at SWTSU, thanks to Bobby Whitesides and Dr. Huffman and his students. Clell encouraged solicitation for membership from parent society members in Texas. We need to refine techniques for updating the directory. Members received their directories at the meeting and were to inform Bobby Whitesides of any needed corrections.

Advertisement - Allen Forshage

Maybe the committee name should be changed to Finance. Eight contributions totaling \$200.00 were received. Display tables were provided for companies and \$450.00 was received for the display rental.

Nominating - Jerry Turrentine

Gary Valentine mentioned that the bylaws state you have to be a parent society member to vote but he feels you shouldn't have to be a parent society member to deal with Texas issues.

Maury Ferguson was unchallenged and was re-elected as Secretary/Treasurer. The three nominees for President-Elect were: Jim Andreason from USFWS, Gary Matlock from TPWD and Clell Guest for TPWD. Gary Matlock was elected.

Awards - Bobby Farguhar for Holt Williamson

Culture: Roger McCabe of TPWD, for work with striped bass culture and management.

Research: Clell Guest of TPWD, for diverse research projects first at the Heart of the Hills facility and presently at Ft. Worth.

Special Category: Bob Hofstetter of TPWD, for 30 years of research and management of oysters.

New Business

The second of th Gary Matlock addressed the meeting on the benefits of certification by the AFS parent society.

The joint meeting idea for 1983 was discussed by Gene Gilliland of Oklahoma. He said their chapter would like to meet with ours — perhaps at a lodge at Lake Texoma.

The idea of a Resolutions Committee was discussed by the Executive Committee and it was decided that resolutions could be too devisive to our Chapter.

A motion was made by Rick Noble to have the Secretary/Treasurer serve for two years. Allen Forshage seconded. Al Green made a motion to have the Secretary/Treasurer split into two offices. That motion was tabled. Bylaws will have to be amended by next year to have the term extended to two years. The suggestion was made to have the newsletter assigned to a committee or other person. Don Steinbach indicated he was in favor of the idea. The motion to amend the bylaws and extend the term to two years was passed.

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The business meeting was adjourned.

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Allen, Alan Andreasen, J. K. (Dr.) Armistead, Claire Ballard, John R. Berry, Tim Betsill, Robert K Bettoli, Phillip W. Bara, Mike Bishop, Harry Blood, Fred Bowles. David Boyd, Homer Boyd, Norman W. Boyd, D. Wayne Brawner, Brian Bryan III, C. E. Butler, Darrell Wade Caldwell, Colleen Campbell, David L. Campbell-Hostettler, Page Carter, Nick Cichra, Chuck Cody, Terry J. Cordova, Frank Dallas, Jim Davis, James T. Dean, Jimmy Drenner, Ray Duren, Kyle Durocher, Philip Edwards, Robert Englehardt, Ted Farquahar, Bobby Ferguson, Maury Flanders, R W Flynn, Jim Forshage, Allen Garretson, Bob Garrett, Gary Gilliland, Gene Glass, Randal Gray, Charles Green, Albert W. Green, Lee M.

Guest, Clell Gutzmer, Mike Harvat, John Harvey, William D Hayes, Russell Craig Heffernan, Tom L. Hegen, Ed Henry, Veronica Higginbotham, Billy Howell, Jerry Hubbs, Clark Hutson, Pat Hysmith, Bruce Inman, C. R. Isaac, Jake Isely, Jeff Johnson, Roy B. Johnson, Ken Kelsch, Steven W. Kernodles, Mickey Koch, Renee Kulzer, Kathryn Lehtinen, Dr. Steven Linton, Tom Luebke, Dick Mambretti, Jerry Manns, Jr. Ralph E. Mathis, Micheal Matlock, Gary McCabe, Roger McCune, E. A. McEachron, Lawrence W. McLee, Charlie Meador, Karen (Thompson) Warren, Joe Mercer, William E. Miranda, Steve Mitchell, John M. Moczygemba, John Morrill, Valerie Mulford, Charles "J" Murphy, Biran R. Noble, Richard L.

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