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Proceedings

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President

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Secretary

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Treasurer

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Historian

Secretary’s Report

MINUTES OF THE SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL MEETING—31 March - 1 April 1978

FIRST BUSINESS MEETING

Dr. Joe Nix, President, opened the meeting with a welcome to the members. He thanked Dr. P. M. Johnston, Local Arrangements Committee Chairman, and his committee for their efforts.

President Nix recognized Dr. John Gilmour for the Secretary’s report. Gilmour reported that the Proceedings of the 61st Annual Meeting containing minutes of the First and Second Business Meetings were available. He said a motion for approval of the minutes would be made at the Second Business Meeting.

President Nix then recognized Dr. William L. Evans for the Treasurer’s report. Evans stated that financial statements were available. He then discussed the financial statement and gave a report on income and disbursements. The financial statement and summary of income and disbursements are shown below.

Financial Statement

March 23, 1978

Cash Balance in Checking Account, April 1, 1977 $1,661.07
Reserve Funds, Savings Certificate 1,147.66
Reserve Funds, Passbook Account 2,571.41
Total Funds, April 1, 1977 $5,380.09

Income (April 1, 1977 through March 23, 1978)

1. Memberships $1,780.00
   a. Sustaining 400.00
   b. Regular 1,380.00
   c. Associate 180.00
2. Institutional Dues 450.00
3. Subscriptions to the PROCEEDINGS 771.00
4. Page Charges for the PROCEEDINGS 674.82
5. Registration Fees, ATU Meeting 214.00
6. Banquet Fees, ATU Meeting 500.00
7. Non-receipted Funds, ATU Meeting 200.75
8. Reimbursement for BIOTA Printing 10.00
9. Repayment on Returned Check 16.00
10. Interest on Reserve Funds 160.55

Total Income $5,320.55

Disbursements (April 1, 1977 through March 23, 1978)

1. Meeting Expenses
   a. Jim Hall, Ticket Refund (414) 8.00
   b. UA, Printing (415) 48.65
   c. Saga Food Svc, Banana (421) 799.00
   d. UA, Printing-NOA (437) 44.50
   e. Saga Food Svc, Coffee (429) 75.00
   f. Postmaster, Envelopes (445) 69.20
   g. Kwik Kopy, Printing (446) 20.60
   h. UA, Printing (503) 20.00

   Total 1,084.95

2. Operating Expenses
   a. Ansec, Acad. Sci., Dues (445) 10.00
   b. Postmaster, Postage (445) 6.50
   c. Returned Check 13.00
   d. Carson, Typing (423) 2.00
   e. Postmaster, Stamps (425) 13.60
   f. UA, Office Supplies (428) 5.41
   g. Postmaster, Box Rent (428) 4.00
   h. Postmaster, Box Rent (428) 6.00

   Total 121.69

   i. Letter Perfect, Typing (434) 18.00
   j. Postmaster, Box Rent (442) 6.00
   k. Postmaster, Postage (443) 19.50
   l. Fields, Typing (447) 7.50
   m. UA, Supplies (452) 6.18

   Total Disbursements $5,320.55

SUMMARY

Beginning Balance, Checking and Reserve $5,680.09
Plus Income 4,801.12
Less Disbursements 5,320.55
Total Funds on Hand, March 23, 1978 $5,160.66

*Next Interest Date 3/31/78 (Not Included)

Note: The academy has an outstanding obligation for printing the PROCEEDINGS, Vol. 31 for $4,257.45. (Invoice No. 1296, Phillips Litho Co., Inc., 3/28/78.) This invoice covers the PROCEEDINGS that is being distributed at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

William L. Evans
Treasurer

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Evans said he would make a motion for approval of the financial statement at the Second Business Meeting. President Nix recognized Dr. Leo Paulissen for a report on the Westinghouse Science Talent Search. Paulissen noted that Arkansas had 2 winners with 1 receiving an honorable mention at the national level.

President Nix stated Dr. Gary Heidt would give the Editor's report at the Second Business Meeting prior to recognizing Dr. Tom Palko, Director of the Junior Science and Humanities Symposium. Palko reported an excellent representation this year. He gave a brief summary of the program for the past meeting.

President Nix then recognized Dr. Carl Rutledge, President of the Arkansas Science Fair Association. Rutledge reported that the Science Fair and Junior Academy would meet jointly in 1978. He also stated that the financial condition of the Science Fair had improved and then made the following motion.

I move that the Arkansas Academy of Science contribute $100 to the Science Fair Association for 1978.

The motion was seconded and passed.

President Nix then appointed the following committees: Auditing (M. L. Lawson, C. W. McCarty), Resolutions (J. M. Guenter, W. C. Guest), Meeting Place (C. Rutledge, G. E. Good, J. E. Moore). President Nix asked for old business. Dr. Paulissen announced that the Biota Survey was continuing and that copies were available.

President Nix then called for new business. He stated that the Executive Committee had met and adopted a position statement regarding the relationship between the Senior Academy and organizations sponsored by the Senior Academy. The position statement is shown below.

The Arkansas Academy of Science sponsors several organizations and programs which have been deemed appropriate by its membership. These organizations and programs include but are not limited to the Junior Academy of Science, the Collegiate Academy of Science, the Junior Science and Humanities Symposium, and the State Science Fair. The role of the Arkansas Academy of Science in sponsoring these respective functions is to encourage their development and in some cases provide financial assistance (with the approval of the Academy). Each of these organizations and programs functions independently under the leadership of a director and some type of governing board. It is understood that the director and the governing board will have the responsibility of the administration of the respective programs. The director of each program sponsored by the Academy is required to present a summary report to the membership at its annual meeting. The President of the Academy will appoint a person to serve as coordinator of all sponsored activities. This person will be responsible for providing coordination of scheduling of events and will serve as a liaison for these groups to the Executive Committee of the Academy.

President Nix then announced he had asked Dr. Wayne Everett to serve as coordinator and liaison officer.

President Nix opened a discussion on a proposed change in Article IV (Officers) of the Constitution. He stated the proposed revision had been approved by the Executive Committee. Nix then read the proposed change which is shown below.

The officers of the Academy shall be a President, a President-elect, a Secretary, a Treasurer, a Historian and an Editor who shall perform the duties usually pertaining to their respective offices. The Secretary, Treasurer, Historian, and Editor shall be chosen by ballot by the membership at large at an annual meeting and hold office for five years. The President-elect shall be chosen by ballot by the membership in the annual meeting and hold office for two years. The office of the President shall be filled by the preceding year's President-elect. The term of the President shall be two years.

The officers of the Academy, and the retiring President shall constitute the Executive Committee of the organization. If an officer is unable to complete his term, the President shall appoint a replacement to fill the unexpired term.

Much discussion followed.

President Nix adjourned the First Business Meeting.

SECOND BUSINESS MEETING

President Nix called the Second Business Meeting to order.

President Nix recognized Dr. John Gilmour who made the following motion.

I move that the minutes of the 31st Annual Meeting published in the 31st Proceedings of the Arkansas Academy of Science be approved as written.

The motion was seconded and passed.

President Nix then recognized Dr. William Evans who made the following motion.

I move the acceptance and approval of the Treasurer's financial statement and report for the period April 1, 1977, through March 23, 1978, as submitted to the membership and presented at the First Business Meeting.

The motion was seconded.

Dr. Clark McCarty then gave the report of the Auditing Committee shown below.

The Auditing Committee has examined the financial statement and records of the Arkansas Academy of Science for the period April 1, 1977, through March 23, 1978, and find it complete and correct. We commend Dr. Evans, Treasurer, for an efficient and competent record for the Academy financial operations.

The motion by Evans was passed.

President Nix recognized Dr. Gary Heidt, Editor, who gave the report shown below.

Thanks to Jim Wickliff in helping my transition as Editor and the Associate Editors for their professional handling of the manuscripts and programs for this year. The new Associate Editor for Biology is Dr. Dale Ferguson. My appreciation to section chairman for keeping sessions running smoothly and on time.

This issue of the Proceedings, Vol. 31, represents the largest volume yet in the history of the AAS - 41 refereed articles and notes comprising 123 pages (54 manuscripts were submitted for publication). The journal is over 18% larger than last year and cost over $4500, including printing and editorial assistance. The average cost per book was $8.25, which means that we face severe cost problems.

In an effort to keep costs down we have initiated a General Notes section in addition to feature articles. This has saved greatly in total pages. I have perhaps made some mistakes in assigning manuscripts to these sections but this will improve in the future as authors submit their manuscripts to the appropriate section.

In accordance with this, I have redone the Instructions to Authors and inserted a copy in each book. While too late for submitted manuscripts at this meeting all revisions and future manuscripts should adhere to these procedures and policies.

At this point I would like to re-emphasize that we as faculty have a responsibility to our students to teach them scientific writing and if we are to encourage them in research and publi-
cation we have a duty to ensure that their manuscripts are quality material. Those who wish can purchase Vol. 31 for $8.00, see John Gilmour.

As to other measures of cost control I would appreciate suggestions and comments, particularly on:
1. Total offset printing - perhaps needing 2 issues
2. Advertising
3. Limiting the size of journal
4. Page charges
Some hard decisions will need to be made in the near future.

Dr. Heidt then made the following motion.

I would like to move that the Academy allocate $400 for editorial assistance for preparing Volume XXXII (1978) of the Proceedings for publication during the next Academy fiscal year.

The motion was seconded and passed. A discussion of cost control measures followed. Dr. John Beadles suggested that a Friends of the Academy could be initiated for industrial supporters. Industry names could be printed in the Proceedings.

President Nix recognized Professor Robert Kirkwood, Historian. He requested everyone make history during the coming year.

President Nix then recognized Dr. Joe Guenter, Sponsor of the Collegiate Academy, who gave the following report.

Of the $175 granted by the Senior Academy $100 has been used to partially reimburse our luncheon speaker for travel and expenses. An additional $50 was requested for postage, mailing and partial expenses for the fall executive meeting in Little Rock. A balance of $37.40 remains in the collegiate treasury for the new president. This will help cover printing costs to replenish the supply of stationery and envelopes.

Guenter announced Rich Brown, OBU, would be next year's Collegiate Academy President. Dr. Glen Wood will be Sponsor, while Dr. Ed Wilson will be Co-Sponsor. William Casson, Past-President, announced Danna Rosell (Botany, 1st place), Gary Henson (Science Education, 2nd place); and Harral Burris, Betty Stallings, Freda Miller (Honorable Mention) as award winners. Dr. Good then made the following motion.

I move that the Senior Academy approve up to $175 to cover expenses and operations of the Collegiate Academy for the coming year.

The motion was seconded and passed.

President Nix then called on Dr. Henry Robison, Editor of the Newsletter, who reported there will be a fall issue, but that the spring Newsletter will be discontinued. He then made the following motion.

I make a motion that $100 be set aside for the Arkansas Academy of Science Newsletter.

The motion was seconded and passed.

President Nix recognized Dr. James Friborough, AAAS Representative, who gave a brief report. Dr. Friborough pointed out that the Proceedings was well received at the last AAAS meeting.

President Nix then recognized Dr. Carl Rutledge for a report from the Meeting Place Committee. Dr. Rutledge recommended that Hendrix College be the site of the 1979 Annual Meeting. Dr. John Beadles then made the following motion.

I move that the invitation of Hendrix College to host the 1979 Arkansas Academy of Science be accepted and that Arkansas State University be considered for the 1980 meetings.

The motion was seconded and passed.

President Nix recognized Dr. Joe Guenter, Resolutions Committee, who read the following.

Be it Resolved:
By the members of the Academy in session on April 1 at the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville, that the Academy wishes to express its sincere thanks and appreciation to Dr. Charles Bishop, President of the University of Arkansas, the Arkansas Water Resources Research Center, University of Arkansas, and to the faculty and staff of the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, for the use of their facilities and for their warm hospitality. The Academy gives special thanks to Dr. Bishop for his financial support.

Furthermore, the Academy extends its congratulations to the Local Arrangements Committee, Dr. P. M. Johnston, chairman, and to the chairpersons of the Academy sections: John Beadles, Robert Watson, Steven Day, Alex Nisbet, Neal Buffalo, John Pickett, Dale Ferguson, Timothy Klinger, Norman Williams, and Ronald Konig.

The Academy also wishes to express its thanks to Dr. Joe Nix, President of the Academy, John Gilmour, Secretary, William L. Evans, Treasurer, Gary Heidt, Editor, and Robert Kirkwood, Historian for the excellent manner in which they have discharged their duties during the past year.

The Academy also expresses its congratulations to the outstanding work of the organizations sponsored by the Academy and its appreciation to the sponsors and directors of these groups: Marie Arthur, Director of the Junior Academy of Science; Tom Palko, Director, Junior Science and Humanities Symposium; Joe Guenter, Sponsor, Collegiate Academy of Science; Carl Rutledge, Director, State Science Fair; and Leo Paulissen, Science Talent Search.

Dr. Guenter moved the resolutions be adopted. The motion was seconded and passed.

Dr. Beadles resolved that Dr. Heidt had done a fine job as Editor. The resolution passed.

President Nix then asked for old business.

President Nix asked Dr. Gilmour to read the proposed change in Article IV of the Constitution. After the reading, Gilmour moved adoption and Dr. Dwight Moore seconded. After much discussion, the motion failed (34 yes, 17 no).

President Nix then asked for new business and recognized Dr. Henry Robison for the Nominating Committee who made the following motion.

On behalf of the Nominating Committee, I would like to place the name of Leon Richards in nomination for the position of President-elect.

Dr. George Harp moved that Dr. Richards be elected by acclamation. The motion was seconded and passed.

President Nix then made his farewell statement. He said he looked at his year as a learning experience and appealed to the Academy to explore areas where the scientific community needs to be heard. President Nix then passed the gavel to Dr. P. M. Johnston, President-Elect.

President Johnston then appointed a Nominating Committee consisting of Clarence Sinclair, Earl Hannebrink and David Becker. He also acknowledged the assistance of the Secretary, Treasurer and Dr. E. E. Dale in the preparation for the Annual Meeting.

President Johnston adjourned the Second Business Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

John T. Gilmour, Secretary