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Secretary's Report

The 54th Annual Meeting of the Arkansas Academy of Science was held at Arkansas Polytechnic College, Russellville, April 17 and 18, 1970, with Professor Maurice L. Lawson, Harding College, President of the Academy, presiding.

At the business meeting, Dr. J. P. Jones, Treasurer circulated the Financial Statement which is summarized below:

Summary of Financial Statement
April 1, 1970

Cash Balance on Hand, April 1, 1969 $1863.91
Reserve Fund 1358.35
Total Assets, April 1, 1969 3222.26

Receipts — April 1, 1969 - March 31, 1970
Membership Dues $1251.25
Institutional Memberships 440.00
Sales of Proceedings 151.80
Reimbursement from AAAS for Junior Academy Research Grants 178.68
Banquet Tickets 162.50
Miscellaneous 81.60
Total Receipts — 2265.83

Disbursements — April 1, 1969 - March 31, 1970
1969 Proceedings - Southwest Printing Co. 2140.24
Junior Academy Expenses 200.00
Junior Academy Research Grants 103.20
Banquet Expenses 325.00
Subscriptions — Science Talent Search 15.00
Mailing and Postage 87.62
Office Supplies 46.02

Executive Committee Expenses 73.41
Miscellaneous 55.79
Total Disbursements — 3046.28

Summary

Original Balance, April 1, 1969 $1863.91
Receipts — April 1, 1969 - March 31, 1969 2265.83
Total 4129.74
Disbursements 3046.28
Cash Balance, March 31, 1970 1083.46
Reserve Fund, April 1, 1969 1358.35
Interest on Reserve Fund 65.29
Total Assets — April 1, 1970 2507.10

The Editor, Dr. L. C. Howick, reported that page costs are continuing to increase and this accounts for the major expenditure in the financial statement. The Editor indicated that the 1970 Proceedings would be published in a two column 8½x11 format which should reduce publication costs considerably.

Representatives of the following Academy sponsored activities presented reports which are summarized in the Minutes of the meeting:

Junior Science and Humanities Symposium — Dr. Eugene Wittlake
Collegiate Academy of Science — Dr. Joe Nix
Junior Academy of Science — Mr. E. E. Hudson
Arkansas Biology Curriculum Development Conference — Dr. Neal Buffalo
Science Talent Search — Dr. Leo Paulissen
State Science Fair — Dr. Lowell Bailey
The President reviewed the discussion which had been held regarding the advisability of the Academy working with state agencies in an advisory capacity. Members of the Executive Committee had met with the State Science and Technology Council and the Council had asked the Academy to prepare some recommendations regarding possible activities of the state group. A statement on the position of the Arkansas Academy of Science on possible future activities of the Arkansas Science and Technology Council was circulated to the membership and approved. The President agreed to transmit the statement to the Chairman of the Science and Technology Council.

President Lawson asked for an expression from the membership of their willingness to see the Academy become involved in the formulation of science policy and in serving in an advisory role. The following resolution addressed to the Governor of the State was adopted:

WHEREAS we believe that the Chief Executive of the State of Arkansas and the Boards and Commissions appointed by him wish to utilize all resources available to them in the formulation and establishment of a sound science policy for making decisions affecting the health and welfare of the citizens of Arkansas, therefore be it

RESOLVED that we, the members of the Arkansas Academy of Science, do offer our separate and collective services to assist in the establishment of such science policy for the State of Arkansas.

The Nominating Committee appointed by President Lawson nominated Dr. George Templeton, Professor of Plant Pathology, University of Arkansas, for the position of President-Elect, and Dr. Templeton was elected unanimously. It was announced that the meeting for 1971 would be held at Harding College, Searcy, the meeting in 1972 would be at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, and the meeting in 1973 would be at State College of Arkansas, Conway. The nominating committee for AAAS Fellows, with Dr. Paul Sharrah chairman, recommended that Dr. Arthur Johnson, Hendrix College, and Dr. Walter Meyer, University of Arkansas, be nominated to be Fellows in the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

The Constitution and By-Laws were amended by a favorable vote of three-fourths of the members present so that Article 10 of the By-Laws now reads: "Dues for members of the Academy shall be $8.00 per year for Regular Members and $10.00 or more per year for Sustaining Members and will entitle the member to receive a copy of the Proceedings." The change increases the Regular Member dues from $5.00 per year to $8.00 per year.

The Minutes of the 54th Annual Business Meeting, April 17-18, 1970, have been circulated to the membership by mail.

Respectfully Submitted,

William C. Guest, Secretary