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Business Meetings

The Ninth Annual Meeting of the MidSouth Aquatic Management Society was held October 24-26, 1990 at Lakepoint State Park Resort, Eufaula, Alabama. The following is a synopsis of the minutes of the Final Board Meeting and Business Meeting.

Board Meeting

October 24, 1990

Those attending the meeting were:

President	Barry Smith
President-Elect	Mike Eubanks
Secretary/Treasurer	Earl Burns
Editor	Stan Cook
Directors	Scott Lankford
	David Tarver
	Joe Zolczynski (for Fred Harders)
Chairman, By-Laws Committee	David Franks

The minutes were read and accepted. A financial report indicated a \$3,283.74 balance on September 30, 1990. A \$1000 Certificate of Deposit for the Scholarship and Education Fund was set up with a maturity date of August 7, 1991. Stan Cook reported on the various problems with the mailing list and the Board decided to only send newsletters to nonmembers once a year. Delinquent members would be removed from the mailing lists that receive the newsletter and Aquatics magazine. Former members would be notified by the Secretary/Treasurer reminding them to pay 1990 dues.

President Smith appointed Doug Powell and David Webb to audit the books for 1989-90.

The following nominees were approved by the the Board to be voted upon by the membership:

President-Elect	Randall Goodman
Editor	Doug Powell
Secretary/Treasurer	Jerry Moss
Directors (2)	Tom Broadwell
	Jeff Davies
	Stuart Goldsby
	Carlos Scardina

Under new business, Johnnie Frizzell was appointed to fill the director's position vacated by Lance Hammond. Earl Burns reported on the efforts to confirm a tax-free status of the Society with the IRS. Barry Smith reported on the status of incorporation. Mike Eubanks presented a resolution concerning aquatic plant and fish interrelationships to the Board. The Board approved the resolution for submission to the full membership.

Resolution #2, Aquatic Plant and Fish Interrelationships

WHEREAS, the role of aquatic plants in providing cover, food, and other ecological benefits for fish has been clearly demonstrated through numerous scientific studies, and

WHEREAS, the overabundance of aquatic plants, particularly non-native species, has been shown to adversely affect fisheries dynamics and population balance, and

THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED that the MidSouth Aquatic Plant Management Society, in its 9th Annual Meeting on 24-26 October, 1990, in Eufaula, Alabama:

A. encourages the continued research on aquatic plant and fish interrelationships,

B. recognizes the importance of research on enhancement of fish resources through management for a diversity of native aquatic plant species, and,

C. supports the continued dialogue concerning aquatic plant management between scientists, anglers, and interested organizations and individuals.

Minutes of the Business Meeting

October 24, 1990

- * President Barry Smith called the meeting to order.
- * Secretary/Treasurer Earl Burns reported the status of the 1990 membership and finances.
- * The Slate of Nominees approved by the Board was presented to the membership and a call for nominations from the floor was made. There were no nominations from the floor and ballots were passed out for the election.

1990 MSAPMS Meeting Summary

Income

Cash on hand (from cash membership dues prior to meeting)		\$30.00
Regular Registration	57 @ \$5	285.00
Nonmember Registration	2 @ 15	30.00
Nonmember Registration	5 @ 15	-----
(To be paid by GA DNR)		
1990 Membership	42 @ 10	420.00
1991 Membership	12 @ 10	120.00
Banquet	44 @ 10	440.00
Caps	2 @ 5	10.00
Patches	2 @ 2	4.00
*Extra Door Prize Tickets	162 @ 1	162.00
Total Income		<u>\$1,501.00</u>

Expenses

Receipts and Name Tags (PSI)	\$39.54
Tom Mann Tour (Fishworld)	40.00
Banquet Facilities (Lake Point Resort)	48.60
Banquet (Country's Barbecue)	500.00
Total Expenses	\$628.14

*Proceeds of extra tickets go to Scholarship and Education Fund

Auditors David Webb and Doug Powell reported that the 1989-90 books were correct and in order.

- * **Officers and Directors elected for 1990-91:**
 Pres.-Elect: Randall Goodman
 Editor: Doug Powell
 Sec./Treas.: Jerry Moss
 Directors: Tom Broadwell
 Carl Scardina
- * **Resolution #2 concerning interrelationships of aquatic plants and fish** was read to the membership and, after a brief discussion, was unanimously approved. Mike Eubanks will provide a copy of the resolution to the new Editor for inclusion in the newsletter and to Al Mill of B.A.S.S. Incorporated.
- * Barry Smith reported that, as approved by the Board at the mid-winter meeting, a **letter in support of nonindigenous species legislation** was mailed to Alabama Legislative committees. However, the legislation was not brought up for a vote in

1990. (Hopefully it will be brought back up in 1991).

- * President Barry Smith expressed **thanks to Mike Eubanks and the program committee** for the 1990 program.
- * President-Elect Mike Eubanks **recognized Ron Puhr** for his behind-the-scenes efforts in program arrangements.
- * President Smith presented Certificates of Appreciation to outgoing Editor Stan Cook, Secretary/Treasurer Earl Burns, and Directors Scott Lankford and David Tarver.
- * President Barry Smith passed the gavel to Mike Eubanks who will serve as President 1990-91.
- * President Mike Eubanks presented a plaque to outgoing President Smith in recognition for a job well-done in 1989-90.

- * President Eubanks adjourned the final business meeting.

(The minutes were submitted by Earl R. Burns, Sec/Treas., and modified for newsletter purposes.)

FINAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

October 26, 1990

- * President Mike Eubanks called the meeting of the Board of Directors to order. Outgoing Sec/Treas. Earl Burns reported that annual operating expenses for MSAPMS was averaging between \$1,800 and \$2,200. A motion was made by Earl Burns to distribute remaining hats with Mid-South logos to new members during registration at the next annual meeting.
- * A motion was made and approved by the Board of Directors to purchase an additional \$1,000 CD for the Scholarship/Education Fund. Sec/Treas. Jerry Moss was authorized to purchase the CD as soon as treasury funds were transferred to Tuscaloosa.
- * A motion was made to notify members who have not paid their 1990 dues. Sec/Treas. Jerry Moss was asked to handle this assignment by President Eubanks.
- * Barry Smith indicated that he would continue to finalize details concerning incorporation of MSAPMS.
- * Earl Burns advised that he is still working on obtaining tax-free status for MSAPMS through correspondence with the IRS.
- * President-Elect Randall Goodman conducted an open discussion concerning the meeting site for the 10th Annual Meeting of the MSAPMS. The cities of Auburn and Guntersville were the most widely accepted choices. A final decision on the meeting site will be made at

the winter meeting of the Board of Directors.

- * President Eubanks advised that the winter Board of Directors meeting will be held in conjunction with the Alabama Fisheries Association meeting in Gulf Shores on Feb. 27, 1990 at 10:00 a.m., Gulf State Park Resort.
- * David Franks distributed the latest revision of the MSAPMS By-Laws to the Board of Directors.
- * Johny Frizzell discussed a proposal to encourage industrial representatives to become sustaining members of MSAPMS and to charge a minimum fee for table displays. Following the discussion it was agreed that Florida and South Carolina would be contacted to see how these states handled industrial displays.
- * President Mike Eubanks adjourned the meeting.

(The minutes were submitted by Jerry Moss, Sec/Treas., MSAPMS)

WINTER BOARD MEETING

Gulf State Park, Gulf Shores, Alabama February 27, 1991

- * President Mike Eubanks called the Winter Board Meeting to order at 2:00 P.M.
- * Secretary-Treasurer Moss presented minutes from the Final Board Meeting at Lake Point Resort, Eufaula, AL.
- * Motion was approved by the Board to revise and update the mailing list. In addition, paid-up members will be designated on the mailing list with an asterisk.
- * President Eubanks directed the Sec/Treas. to check on Legislative Members that could be included on the MSAPMS mailing list. Former Editor Cook should be consulted for more details concerning previous efforts.

- * Motion was approved to look into details regarding designing a brochure telling people about MSAPMS. Doug Powell and Carlos Scardina will follow up with Alabama Power Company graphic artists, and handle other details.
- * The Sec/Treas. was directed by the Board to write a letter to Dr. Wayne Shell asking Auburn University Fisheries Department to serve as a permanent mailing address for MSAPMS. Reimbursement can be provided if this would incur costs to the Fisheries Department.
- * A motion was approved by the Board to proceed with incorporation procedures. Earl Burns was appointed as chairman of the Incorporation Committee along with Carlos Scardina, Jerry Moss, Barry Smith, and David Bayne to finalize incorporation procedures as well as tax-exempt status.

- * Johnny Frizzell reported on industrial displays for commercial companies and sustaining corporate members. A motion was approved by the board to charge non-sustaining commercial representatives a fee 50% greater than the sustaining membership fee for having a commercial display at the Annual Meeting.
- * A motion was approved for Editor Powell to circulate newsletters from various aquatic plant organizations to each board member.

Committee Reports

Editorial Committee

Editor Doug Powell provided editorial update. Other regional plant management organizations were contacted for inclusion on their mailing lists. Doug requested information for the next newsletter scheduled for April distribution.

Program Committee

Randall Goodman asked for suggestions concerning the theme for the 1992 Annual Meeting. The tentative theme will address the economics of plant management activities. The board voted for the 10th Annual Meeting to be held in Auburn, (Best Western Inn) during October 2-4, 1991.

Nominating Committee

No report.

(Jerry Moss Secretary/Treasurer)

Bits of Macrophyte Trivia

In the Beginning.....

The MidSouth Aquatic Plant Management Society had its beginnings in May, 1979, when a group of representatives from various federal, state and private agencies within Alabama met at Auburn University to discuss common weed problems and potential solutions. Dr. David Bayne (Auburn University Fisheries) was instrumental in organizing the meeting and contacting the various groups across the state to solicit participation. A result of this meeting was the first state-wide Aquatic Weed Survey.

After several of these annual meetings in Auburn, it was decided that there was sufficient interest and need to formalize the group into an actual society. The Aquatic Plant Management Society, Inc. agreed to sponsor the formation of a chapter named The MidSouth Aquatic Plant Management Society and an organizational meeting was held at Auburn University, Montgomery in February, 1982. By-laws were presented and voted on and officers were elected. David Bayne was elected the Society's first President. Letters were sent to the various agencies in neighboring states to solicit interest in the new chapter. The first annual meeting of The MidSouth

Aquatic Plant Management Society was held in October, 1982, at Lake Guntersville State Park.

Aquatic Plant Preservation

Below is a formula I was given in the 1970's while with Pennwalt (Atochem). I left the solution in Fairhope in 1977. Joe Z. utilized it and noticed plants maintained a natural appearance. I found the formula in my notes.

3400 ml H₂O
124 ml formalin
18 ml 20% detergent
7 ml CuSO₄

Note: The detergent mixture has proven to be tricky. It doesn't take much of new liquid detergent, so the 20% mixture may be too much.

Permanent address and Archives for Midsouth Aquatic Plant Management Society.

In order to insure the historical record of our society, Randall Goodman would like anyone who has newsletters prior to 1986 and correspondence dealing with the society, to send him a copy.

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(Attn. Randall Goodman)
203 Swingle Hall
Auburn University, AL 36845-5419

By the way - the above is our permanent mailing address (just remove Randall's name). Dr. E. W. Shell agreed to let our society utilize the above address as our permanent address. Since the society was founded in Auburn it seemed fitting. This will help maintain continuity for future correspondence from outside sources.

Speaking of correspondence, you'll note the obvious lack of worthwhile, pertinent articles of interest submitted by our members. If you do not send me infor-

mation, I can not put it in the newsletters. If you wish to see dumb, noninformative newsletters then continue. Seriously, send me information which you think other members would be interested in.

First call for papers

The theme for the 10th annual meeting: "Economic Impacts Related to Aquatic Plant Management."

If you have any information on the above you think the society would benefit from, please plan to present this information. In addition we request Industry and Agency updates and current research in the field of aquatic plants. Please utilize the back page for submission to Randall Goodman. Deadline is August 30, 1991.

MSAPMS Bulletin Board

July 14-17 *Aquatic Plant Management Society 31st Annual Meeting*, Dearborn, MI. Contact: Bill Rushing (301) 330-8831.

August 21-23 *South Carolina APMS Annual Meeting*, Santee Cooper's Somerset Point Facility, Moncks Corner, S.C. Contact: Steve de Kozlowski (803) 737-0800.

October 2-4 *Midsouth APMS 10th Annual Meeting*, Best Western, Auburn, Alabama. Contact: Randall Goodman (205) 844-4786.

October 14-17 *Florida APMS Annual Meeting*, Holiday Inn Surfside, Daytona Beach, FL. Contact: Mike Hulon (407) 846-5220.

November 8 *Texas APMS Annual Meeting*, Windham South Park Hotel, Austin, Texas. Contact: Joyce Johnson (512) 389-4858.

November 11-16 *North American Lakes Management Society 11th Annual International Symposium on Lake and Reservoir Management*, Sheraton Denver Tech Center, Denver, CO. Contact: Jim LaBounty (303) 236-6002.

1991 DUES

- Name: _____
- Address: _____
- Telephone: _____
- Affiliation: _____
- Make checks payable to: **MidSouth Aquatic Plant Management Society:**

Full Membership \$10

Student \$5

Sustaining \$50

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

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