

GULF COAST SECTION OF S. E. P. M.
MINUTES OF THE 1959 BUSINESS MEETING

Date: November 12, 1959

Time: 3:50 P.M.

Place: Emerald Room of the Shamrock Hilton Hotel, Houston, Texas

Officers in Attendance:

Absent:

President - Marcus A. Hanna
Vice-president - Claude M. Quigley, Jr.

Secretary - Fred E. Smith
Treasurer - Bernard L. Hill, Jr.

The meeting was called to order by the President, with nineteen members in attendance. After his opening remarks, Dr. Hanna stated that his pet project for the year had to be cancelled because of the lack of cooperation of certain companies. The project was the formation of a correlation chart of useful foraminifera of the Gulf Coast subsurface. This chart would show species and the corresponding numbers or letters used by the various laboratories in this area. Dr. Hanna also stated that immediately after the convention, the Section would conduct a field trip jointly with the Gulf Coast Association of Geological Societies to study, "Recent Sediments of the North-Central Gulf Coastal Plain."

The President then called for the following reports:

1. Minutes of the last meeting - They have been lost; and, it was voted to approve them when they are found and read.
2. Secretary's report - This was read by Dr. Hanna in the absence of Mr. Smith. It stated that we now have 154 members and 48 associate members. Four new members joined the Section during the past year. There were 118 ballots cast in the last election of officers. This report was approved by the members present.
3. Treasurer's report - Read by Mr. Chun in the absence of Mr. Hill. This report stated that as of November 2, 1959, the Section had \$458.62 in the treasury. It was voted to approve this report.

Under discussion of old business, the following points were brought up.

1. Field Trip Guidebooks - Dr. Hanna stated that in December of 1958 the Gulf Coast Section of S. E. P. M. had conducted a Field Trip jointly with the G. C. A. G. S. At the completion of this trip, the Houston Geological Society took over the remaining Guidebooks and wiped out our deficit. These Guidebooks are now in the hands of Cambe Log Library of Houston to be sold for the H. G. S. Similar action was taken for the Field Trip of May, 1959, also a joint venture of our Section and the Houston Geological Society. This action was approved by the members present.

2. Type Locality project - H. V. Andersen, who has been acting as Editor for our Type Locality project, stated that he will continue in this capacity if his services are desired. He requested that he be given authority to eliminate the bibliography, including only the original reference to each Type Locality. This was put in the form of a motion and approved by vote. Dr. Andersen then stated that he will first need to receive a sufficient number of Type Locality description sheets to make it practical to begin the drafting of them: and, he will need funds in order to get the drafting done.

New business discussed at the meeting is as follows:

1. Status of our membership list - We are losing members, through failure to pay dues, faster than we are gaining new ones. It was suggested that a membership drive be initiated.
2. Field Trip - It was voted that we investigate the possibilities of conducting a separate Field Trip in southern Mississippi in the spring of 1960.
3. Directory of Gulf Coast Micropaleontologists - It was voted that we compile a current directory of this type.

After thanking his officers, Editor and members for their cooperation during the past year, the President announced the election of new officers as follows:

President - David E. Pope
Vice-president - A. D. Ellis, Jr.
Secretary - Gordon C. Munsey, Jr.
Treasurer - H. A. Chun

Dr. Hanna turned the meeting over to the new President who made a few brief remarks concerning the objectives of the Section for the coming year.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 P. M.

David E. Pope