

ANNUAL MEETING MAY 19-20, 1962

WESTERN BIRD-BANDING ASSOCIATION

The Thirty-seventh Annual Meeting of the Western Bird Banding Association was held on May 19-20, 1962 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold P. Henningsen at Diablo, California and at the Diablo Country Club. 25 members and guests were present.

Saturday evening, May 19, a barbecue supper hosted by Mr. and Mrs. William Kirsher was held at the home of the Henningsens. Following supper, an enjoyable program by members and guests was presented. Dr. James M. Kieran, Mr. Charles H. Feltes of Mdoesto, Mr. Arthur C. Felt of Whittier and John McCarty of Lafayette participated in the program.

Sunday morning, May 20, a program of papers was given at 11 am at the Clubhouse followed by a no-host luncheon. Dr. Robert Bowman, Dr. Howard Cogswell, Dr. L. Richard Mewaldt, and Mr. Angelo ^{CoRTOPASSI}, a graduate student at San Jose State College presented papers.

The businessmeeting was called to order at 2pm by Vice-president William Kirsher who acted in the absence of Mrs. Otis H. Smith, president. Excerps from the minutes of the 1961 minutes were read. A letter to the group from Mrs. Smith was read by the secretary, Mrs. Lillian Henningsen. A motion duly seconded and carried was made instructing the secretary to write a letter of thanks to our "still president", stating that the Council had not wanted to accept her resignation of March 24, 1962; that we had greatly appreciated her efforts to act as president following her accident and wished her to continue to the end of her term.

Dr. L. Richard Mewaldt, chairman of the Revision of Constitution Committee reported that as a result of the many responcees from members to the committee on changes in the constitution, he was now prepared to offer a revision to the pervious revision mailed to the members earlier. On motion by Dr. Mewaldt, seconded by Don Bleitz, it was recommended that the constitution as presented to the group assembled be adopted. The motion carried. An amendment was moved by Howard Cogswell regarding delinquency in dues. It was accepted by the revision committee and incorporated in the constitution. The motion was seconded and carried. It was further moved that a copy of the revised constitution be included in an early edition of the Western Bird Bander. Motion seconded and carried.

Mr. Gene Kridler suggested that we consider moving the site of the 1963 annual meeting outside of the Bay area. Also he suggested we change the date to a later time in order to attract a larger group.

Howard Cogswell, chairman of the nominating committee presented the following names in nomination for officers for the 1962-63 term:

President - Don Bleitz, Los Angeles, California
1st Vice-President - Eugene Kridler, Burns, Oregon
2nd. vice-president- Lillian Henningsen, Diablo, California
Secretary - Dr. Robert Bowman - San Francisco, California
Business Manager-treasurer-Tom Balch, Glen, California.

No further nominations being forthcoming, it was moved, seconded and carried that the nominations be closed, and that the secretary beinstructed to castan unanimous ballot for the slate as presented.

r. Mewaldt proposed a resolution that the association assembled at its 1962 meeting express its thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Harold P. Henningsen, host and hostess, for arranging the meeting. Resolution seconded and carried.

A vote of thanks was also voted to Editor William K. Kirsher for his fine work on the Western Bird Bander, and to Emerson Stoner for his tremendous work on the Annual Report.

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Mr. Tom Balch presented his annual financial report for the year ending March 31, 1962. The report showed a balance in the checking account of \$656.97. Savings account \$500.00 (Life Memberships) Combined total \$1156.97 for a net increase of \$25.30. It was moved, seconded and carried that the report be accepted with appreciation. A copy is attached hereto.

The membership Chairman, Mrs. Edid Austin reported 539 active banders in the area. 216 are either active or sustaining, and 28 are associate members for a total of 244 paid members. It was moved seconded and carried that the report be accepted with commendation.

It was moved, seconded and carried that Mrs. Otis H. Smith be appointed to represent the WBBA at the XIII International Ornithological Congress at Ithica, New York in June, 1962 and that the secretary inform the Secretary General Dr. Charles Sibley of our action.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:45pm followed by cake and coffee at the Henningsens.

Lillian K. Henningsen
Secretary

Angela Kontopasson