

Minutes of the Meteoritical Society Council Meeting
March 16, 1975
Lunar Science Institute
Houston, Texas

Members Present: U. Marvin, J. Wasson, P. Pellas, T. Rodman, E. K. Gibson, J. Goldstein, P. Eberhardt, D. Stoffler, R. Clayton, R. Brett, J. Philpotts, C. Moore, and D. Shaw.

President Marvin called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m.

Secretary's Report: The Secretary's report of the UCLA meeting was given on tape by T. Bunch. The Council deferred accepting the minutes of the UCLA meeting until they had been transcribed.

It was reported that the six recently elected Fellows had not been notified of their election. Secretary Gibson will notify them of their advancement to Fellows of the Society.

Secretary Gibson reported that an up-to-date membership roster was being compiled with the assistance of Treasurer Rodman and President Marvin. Upon completion of the new membership list, it will be published in a forthcoming issue of METEORITICS.

Treasurer's Report: Tom Rodman gave the Treasurer's Report. The statement of income and expenses for the period January 1 thru December 31, 1974 is Attachment 1 of the minutes. The financial position of the Society has recently improved and a portion of the improvement is attributed to the initiation of page charges for METEORITICS. The Treasurer was directed to transfer \$10,000 to a savings account. The Treasurer's Report was accepted.

Editors' Reports: C. B. Moore noted that the previous financial problems of METEORITICS have been eliminated with the institution of page charges. It was suggested that a future issue of METEORITICS might be devoted to single meteorite studies (e.g., Allende).

Denis Shaw gave the Editor's Report for GEOCHIMICA ET COSMOCHIMICA ACTA. Beginning in 1976 the format of GCA will be changed because of a change of printers. Concern was expressed about the recent delays in publication of GCA. Editor Shaw reported that this problem has hopefully been solved. It was recommended that the President of the Society write Pergamon - expressing concern about possible price increases of GCA subscriptions for members of the Meteoritical Society.

1975 Meeting Report: Paul Pellas gave a report on the forthcoming Tours, France meeting scheduled for July 28 through August 1, 1975. He reported that response to the First Circular was 213 and they expected about 200 participants for the meeting. The Second Circular was to be mailed the third week of March. Deadlines for advance hotel registrations is May 20. The Abstract deadline is June 10, 1975.

Constitutional Reform: Constitutional Reform was deferred by R. Brett until the Tours meeting. However, the suggested Constitutional reforms are included as Attachment 2 to the minutes.

International Union Affiliation: Al Cameron's report on I.A.G.C. Association was deferred until the next meeting because of Cameron's absence.

Student Travel Grants: Student abstract evaluation for travel subsidies was undertaken and eight students and one alternate were chosen to receive the travel subsidies. The award members are included as Attachment 3 to the minutes. The Secretary was instructed to notify the award winners and other applicants as to the result of the abstract evaluations.

Robin Brett made the motion (2nd by Clayton) that a letter from the President of the Meteoritical Society to the appropriate officials of the French scientific institutions thanking them for the student-member travel subsidies. This motion was passed unanimously.

New Business: J. Wasson raised the question as to whether the Meteoritical Society would be interested in reprinting Harold Urey's book THE PLANETS. M. Herndon has contacted a printer who gave a cost estimate (good for 30. days) of \$1,800 for 100 copies. Discussion followed and it was recommended that this item be tabled for future consideration.

The Leonard Medal committee has been instructed to have 6 more medals cast.

Selection of the meeting site for the 1977 meeting has been deferred until the Tours meeting.

The Council Meeting adjourned at 9:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Everett K. Gibson, Jr.
Secretary