

Minutes of the Meteoritical Society Council Meeting  
July 28, 29 and 30, 1975  
38th Annual Meeting of the Meteoritical Society  
Tours, France

Members Present: U. Marvin, J. Wasson, P. Pellas, T. Rodman, E. Gibson, R. Brett, J. Goldstein, P. Eberhardt, R. Dodd, D. Stöffler, J. Philpotts D. Shaw and A. Reid.

Invited Guests: F. Begemann, R. Binns, and B. Robertson.

President Marvin called the meetings to order at 12:30 p.m. each of the three days of meetings.

Secretary's Report: The Secretary's Reports of the UCLA Meeting (August 1974) and the Lunar Science Institute Meeting (March 1975) were approved by the Council. The Secretary's reports are Attachments 1 and 2 to the minutes.

The following motion was made and seconded: "For all official correspondence written on Meteoritical Society stationery, a copy should be made and sent to the Secretary for incorporation in the Society's records." The motion was approved by the Council.

Treasurer's Report: Tom Rodman gave the Treasurer's Report. The report (attachment 3) covered the Society's income and expenses for the period January 1 to July 15, 1975. The Treasurer's report was accepted by the Council.

The following motion was made: "The Financial Committee (Pres. Marvin, B. Barringer, T. Rodman and R. Brett) will look into other ways of investing the Society's money and be authorized to shift our savings to an insured investment for the opportunity to make additional money. This change will only be made with the approval of the Council." The motion was approved.

Leonard Medal Committee: F. Begemann gave the Committee Report. Five candidates have the complete documentation required to be considered for election. Three candidates were decided upon after the initial screening. The second vote resolved that James Arnold should be the Committee's recommendation as the Leonard Medal winner. A motion was made that: "James Arnold be accepted as the Leonard Medal winner according to the Committee's rankings of the candidates." The motion was passed unanimously. President Marvin will inform Dr. Arnold of his selection as the Leonard Medal winner.

Nomenclature Committee Report: R. Binns gave the Committee Report. The Committee is presently close to a general consensus on problems relating to meteorite nomenclature. However, problems are still to be resolved by the Committee. See Attachment 4 for a status report on the Committee's work.

The following motion was made: "The Meteoritical Council establish the Committee on Meteorite Nomenclature as a permanent committee." The by-laws will be changed accordingly.

The Council approved the recommendations that the Editor of THE METEORITICAL BULLETIN should act as Secretary to the Nomenclature Committee in relation to the circulation of proposals for new names, etc., submitted to him for approval. The Meteoritical Society President will write to journal editors and the Presidents of other appropriate societies, informing them of the guidelines and the proposed role of the Committee on Meteorite Nomenclature, and requesting their cooperation. The motion was passed.

A second motion was submitted: "The Meteorite Nomenclature Committee prepare a proposal on its constitution and duties and report back to the Council." The motion passed.

A third motion was offered: "The Council commends the Chairman and through him the Committee for their diligence of work so far on the problems of meteorite nomenclature." The motion passed.

Meteoritics Editor's Report: The *Meteoritics* editor's report was given by E. Gibson. The journal has been rejecting approximately 50% of all submitted papers. The previous monetary problems associated with publishing *Meteoritics* have apparently been solved. The editor requests that more of the Society's members submit papers to our journal. The next issue will contain the membership list of the Society.

Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta Editor's Report: D. Shaw gave the Editor's report. He reported on the numerous letters from Maxwell concerning the forthcoming changes with GCA. The page budget for GCA in 1976 will be reduced by 25%. (Attachments 5 and 6) President Marvin appointed the Publications Committee (R. Brett, Chairman, E. Anders, J. Goldstein, D. Shaw, J. Wasson, and F. Begemann, C. B. Moore ex officio) to handle the problems associated with Maxwell and GCA. Our Committee should work with the Geochemical Society.

The following motion was made: "That *Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta* be no more than \$15 for at least 3 years, the same number of pages be allocated, and air mail shipping to the U.S." The Publications Committee should consult with the Council for any changes from the approved motion. The motion was passed.

The printer and format of GCA has changed with the August issue.

The following motion was offered: "If the Geochemical Society decides to go along with the \$12.50/year price for GCA for 1976 and then renegotiates, the Publications Committee of the Meteoritical Society can agree to go along with the Geochemical Society's decision." The motion passed.

The Publications Committee was instructed to consider other options available to the Meteoritical Society for resolution of the problems associated with Maxwell and *Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta*.

Nomination Committee for Next Election: President Marvin appointed the following

Committee to select a slate of candidates for the next election of officers and Council members. The committee is composed of the following: D. Shaw (Chairman), R. Hutchison, George Reed, C. Moore, V. Buchwald, A. Reid. The motion was made to accept the makeup of the Committee. The motion passed.

Tours Meeting Report: P. Pellas presented the report on the Tours meeting. Participants at the meeting were 181 along with 57 guests for a total of 238 attendees. Of the 146 abstracts submitted 133 were accepted for oral presentation. The meeting attendance consisted of the following: 72 from North America (66 U.S.A. and 6 Canadians), 51 from Germany, France 31, Switzerland 13, England 12, Italy 7, Denmark 3, Russia 2, Other 6. A total of 17 nationalities were represented.

Report on 1976 Meeting: J. Goldstein reported that the 39th Annual meeting of the Meteoritical Society would be held October 18-20 at Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania. Attachment 7 to the minutes gives the tentative geological trips under consideration.

Selection of Site for 1977 Meeting: After considerable discussion the Council decided to accept the invitation from Cambridge University and the British Museum of Natural History to hold the 1977 meeting at Cambridge, England.

Constitutional Reform: The Council had considerable debate over the constitutional reform. However after many motions, much discussion and two meetings the completed Constitution and those changes made are given as Attachment 8 to the minutes. The new sections of the Constitution are underlined. The revised Constitution will be submitted to the membership for adoption before the end of 1975.

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