

# Illinois Speleological Survey

## Meeting Agenda

Saturday, April 5, 2014  
2016 Stemler Road, Columbia, Illinois

1. Call to order: 7:10pm

2. Introduction of Officers and Directors:

Outgoing President: Bob Weck

Recording Secretary: Steve Taylor

Outgoing Vice-President: Jack Wood - absent

Treasurer: John Lovaas - absent

Director: Aaron Addison - JoAnn Jacoby proxy

Director: Dan Lamping

Director: Gary Resch

Director: Tony Schmitt

Director: Bob Weck

IDNR Director: Mona Colburn

CLIFFTOP NFP Director: Carl Daubach - absent

Webmaster: Jack Wood

Data Request Committee (DRC):

Bob Weck

John Lovaas - absent

Mihai Lefticariu

Data Custodians:

Mona Colburn

Frank Wilhelm - absent

Others present: Derek Holtmann, Joe Sikorski, Norman, Nancy Weck

3. Election of President – Weck’s term expired in December 2013

Schmitt - nominated **Bob Weck**, Colburn seconded, vote unanimous.

3.b - Bob Weck was elected to be a director, now need a director.,

Dan Lamping Nominated **Steve Taylor**, Gary Resch seconded

Vote: was unanimous in favor.

4. Motion: The minutes of the April 6, 2013 meeting are approved.

Lamping motion to accept

Second: Taylor

For: was unanimous in favor.

Against:

## 5. Reports:

- A. Treasurer's report: Submitted report by Lovaas (read by Weck) since last meeting \$117 in dues, \$300 donation to clifftop to Seibert property.  
Balance is \$638.47

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> From: "John Lovaas"
> Date: April 4, 2014 at 10:42:04 PM CDT
> To: "'Weck, Bob'"
> Cc:
> Subject: ISS treasurer's report
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> Hi all-
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> I thought I'd pass along the treasurer's report for tomorrow's
meeting; sorry I can't make it- I hope you have some clear and dry
weather!
> ISS balance as of 4/2013:
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> $859.11
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> Expenses since last report:
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> Election mailing costs: $15.64
> Annual web hosting fee: $12.00
> Illinois annual corporate filing: $10
> Donation to CLIFFTOP for Seibert parcel acquisition: $300.00
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> Income:
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> Dues and donations: $117.00
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> Current balance as of 4/4/2014: $638.47
>
> John Lovaas
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- B. Not-For-Profit Filings: (reported by Weck)  
John Lovaas filed forms with the Illinois Secretary of State, & paid annual fee. - we're up to date, paid annual fee.

- C. VP/Membership report: Report by Jack Wood (embedded in agenda)  
Elections was conducted with the election of a new board.  
Wood received 15 ballots back. There were two ballots that were under marked, picking 3 rather than 5. Elected directors are Addison, Resch, Lamping, Schmitt and Weck.

No new members since Apr 2013; current membership is 23 people.

Dues request was not sent pending decision on revision of the required membership fee by the new board.

SNF - I (Jack Wood) resigned as of July 2013 leaving John Lovaas in charge. Project presently remains on hold until the SNF decided that WNS has run its course in Illinois caves.

Taylor motioned that **Gary Resch** be Jack's replacement, Mona second: Dan Lamping  
For: was unanimous in favor.

Mona nominating **Mihai Lefticariu** to fill out the third member of team.

JoAnn second.

For: was unanimous in favor.

D. Data request and DRC activity: Report by Colburn and Weck

1. Request by IDNR for map of Fogelpole Cave
2. Request by Culver et al. for cave names and locations for Appalachian LCC Karst Resources Project

E. Website update: Submitted report by Wood (read by Weck)

Website was last updated in March 2014. Recent updates include the draft minutes from the last meeting, the agenda for the upcoming meeting and the first issue of the ISS newsletter.

F. Science Committee: Report by Weck

National Great Rivers Research and Education Center Summer Internship Program

G. Organizational director's reports:

- a. Clifftop NFP (Daubach): (read by Weck)  
\*purchase of 535 acre Seibert farm discussed, with contributions from Taylor
- b. IDNR (Colburn)

H. Grotto/Agency Activity Reports:

KCI - Tony Schmitt (is on board)

INHS -

I. ISS Patch: Submitted report by Richard Raber

Sales: 7/19/07 – 4/5/14 \$227.40

Expenses:

Reimbursement Raber (for original purchase) \$178.00

Profit: \$ 49.40

6. Status of action items from 4/6/2013 minutes, including:

A. Illinois Speleology Small Grant project (Taylor):

Subterranean Ecology Institute (SEI) has agreed to work with the ISS on Illinois Speleology Small Grant project.

**\*\* ACTION ITEM:** Board members send comments on draft to Steve Taylor within 1 week.

**\*\* ACTION ITEM:** Tony Schmitt talk to an Indiana contact about idea ...

- B. ISS newsletter (Weck): Volume 1, Issue 1 published January 2014  
\*\*\*Bob Weck will produce another newsletter.  
\*\***ACTION ITEM:** Weck will ask people for submission for newsletter

- C. Filemaker database template: Report by Colburn  
\*\*utilizing Scott House template  
\*\*demonstrated on big screen for BoD  
\*\*three letter county code, caves numbered  
(w/ same number and sequential numbers  
\*\*some discussion by the board  
\*\*Current paper maps, except oversized, have been scanned  
except for about 1/2 of Monroe County, still ongoing.

- D. Digitizing Current paper maps - need to get oversized maps to Aaron  
who has previously volunteered to scan the large format maps.  
**ACTION ITEM:** Colburn to send Weck the number of large format  
maps, then Weck will take it from there

## 7. New Business:

- A. Election of Vice President (1 year term, directors can retain seat)  
\*\***Tony Schmitt** reluctantly accepted.  
For: was unanimous in favor.
- B. Appointment of Data Request Committee member (3 years; Weck's  
year term has expired)  
\*\***Dan Lamping** accepted  
For: was unanimous in favor.
- C. Review of Constitution & Bylaws and discussion of possible revisions

### Discussion:

Steps to change:  
Draft language,  
put it out to members,  
45 days to review it  
vote

### Ideas discussed as amendments:

1. Getting rid of dues (\$5/year)
2. Membership in general - we have 23 members.  
Other ways of populate the board and keep interested  
parties informed? Some concern about losing funds, some  
suggestion of passing hat or 50:50. Some concern about  
loss of sense of involvement. Discussion of Cooperators

instead of members. Does paying membership = \$5 to get right to vote?

3. Data access - 3 person DRC; long discussion, general consensus that is fine as is.

4. Mechanism by which the board is elected.

**ACTION ITEM:** \*\*Weck will work on draft changes, send out to Directors for discussion.

D. The next meeting:

Next ISS Meeting will be: November weekends (bleed into first weekend in December)

Date –

Time –Saturday evening

Location – Weck house 6 pm.

**\*\*ACTION ITEM:** Taylor put up doodle poll.

Mihai predicts is going to be a pile of snow

E. Motion to adjourn: Schmitt

Second: Colburn

For: was unanimous in favor.

Against:

Adjourn: 9:54 pm