MINUTES OF MEETING SOUTHEASTERN DOVE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

Baltimore, Maryland

The Southeastern Dove Technical Committee opened with brief reports on the current status of the dove study. Don Hayne reported that the up-coming telephone survey should present no great problem. Jim Ruos pointed out that 60 percent more dove wing envelopes have been received in Gainesville, Georgia, when compared with the same time last year. More help will be needed to analyze the wings.

Jim Keeler gave a brief summary of the dove banding results for the 1968 pre-season period. Since the figures of total bandings by Bureau personnel as gathered by Parker Smith do not agree with Frank Winston's figures of total bandings, Keeler asked that a new banding report be worked up. No data is available from any of the northern states and they will be contacted as to how many doves they banded during the preseason period and will be included in the revised report.

Bill Goudy, speaking for West Virginia, extended an invitation to the Southeastern Dove Technical Committee members to hold their Business Meeting and the Wing Bee in White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia, on February 9 through 14, 1969, in conjunction with the Northeast Wildlife Conference. This presents the Southeast with an excellent opportunity to encourage cooperation with the northeastern states on dove banding. The West Virginia Department of Natural Resources will transport the dove wings from Gainesville, Georgia, and provide the necessary facilities for the wing analysis. They will also provide personnel who will keypunch the data from the wing envelopes onto IBM cards immediately after the first envelopes are processed.

Milt Reeves discussed the possibility of holding a meeting prior to the June Washington Regulations Meeting to discuss the current year's data.

A total of twenty-five persons attended the open committee meeting.

JAMES E. KEELER

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING 1 SOUTHEASTERN SECTION—THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY

President Walter Rosene opened the meeting by thanking Vice-President Dale Arner and the Secretary-Treasurer and the following committees for their assistance in Section affairs during the year:

Southeastern Dove Technical Committee (James E. Keeler, Chairman)
Farm Game Committee (Hubert Handy, Chairman)
Foreign Game Committee (Glenn D. Chambers, Chairman)
Forest Game Committee (Donald D. Strode, Chairman)
Publications Awards Committee (Sydney Johnson, Chairman)
History Committee (Earl F. Kennamer, Chairman)
Program and Publicity Committee (Malcom King, Chairman)
Southeastern Water Use Committee (Harold Alexander, Chairman)

President Rosene announced a new special committee of H. E. Wallace, Dan Speake, and Burd McGinnes to report to him on better ways that the Section might serve the membership.

The minutes of the last annual business meeting were read and accepted by voice vote.

¹ The minutes cannot be approved by the membership until the next annual business meeting and are therefore unofficial as they appear here. Amendments, if any, will appear with the minutes of the next meeting.

Vice President Dale Arner's report briefly reviewed the duties of his office and his activities during the past year. He expressed appreciation to the Section Affairs Representatives for their participation in Section business during the year. They were:

Wayne E. Colin (Alabama) Gene Rush (Arkansas) James A. Powell (Florida) Robert L. Marchinton (Georgia) Fred C. Hardy (Kentucky) John D. Newsom (Louisiana) Robert Rubleman (Maryland) Benny Herring (Mississippi) Bob Downing and Clifford Bampton (North Carolina) John H. Quillen (South Carolina) Larry McGinn (Tennessee) Malcolm Edwards (Virginia) John Langenback (D.C. and Patuxent area)

President Rosene outlined the current procedures for members to obtain copies of the *Proceedings*, explaining that annual dues do not cover the cost of the publication but that copies can be obtained directly from Mr. James Webb, P. O. Box 167, Columbia, South Carolina 29202. It was decided that this will be explained fully in the next Newsletter.

Ferd Sumrell discussed the new by-laws draft, point by point. This important matter required considerable time. After a few minor changes, and thorough discussion of some items, the document was accepted by vote of the membership. President Rosene thanked Mr. Sumrell for his work on the by-laws during the past two years.

Jim Keeler reported on the activities of the Southeastern Dove Technical Committee. Glenn Chambers presented the report of the Foreign Game Committee and passed out copies. Don Strode presented the report of the Forest Game Committee and announced that the committee would meet later that night. At this point, Lowell Halls was given the floor to announce a symposium of deer to be held in Nacogdoches, Texas in 1969. Hubert Handy presented a report on the Farm Game Committee and announced that the committee would meet in Atlanta during 1969. In the absence of the Committee Chairman, Bob Smith presented a report on the Southeastern Water Use Committee. Earl Kennamer, Chairman of the History Committee, was not present and a report was not submitted for that committee.

The Publications awards selections for the year were presented by John Newsom of the committee, in Sydney Johnson's absence. "Notes on the life history of the swamp rabbit in Alabama" by Edward P. Hill, III was chosen as the best paper presented at the 21st Technical Sessions; and "Physiological changes associated with shock in confined gray squirrels" by Donald R. Guthrie, J. Clark Osborne, and Henry S. Mosby was selected as the best publication during the past two years by a Section member, which was not presented at the annual Technical Sessions. Framed certificates were presented.

Bill Holland announced that the next meeting which is to be hosted by his state of Alabama, would be held in Mobile.

Harold É. Warvel, Region II Representative to the Wildlife Society, reported on the recent Society Council meeting and announced another meeting of the Council on December 8 at Columbus, Ohio. Warvel noted that current Section membership in The Wildlife Society was the highest ever. He requested that members participate more in Society affairs by offering him ideas and suggestions.

By this time the annual business meeting had run over-time again. With no further business that couldn't wait until next year the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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