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Please review, add & change at will, return
to me so I can easily make correct-
ions.

Phyllis
Good job, Phyllis! Thanks for being a "trooper"!

P.S. Would you like to distribute revised
version to Executive Committee? If not send it to me and I'll distribute.

FLORIDA ASSOCIATION OF BENTHOLOGIST
SEMIANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING
GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA
16 APRIL 1992

President

The business meeting was called to order at 11:30 by Mike Milligan.

Mike read the minutes from the last business meeting on April 19, 1991. Bill Mason moved the minutes be accepted; David Evans seconded; passed unanimously.

Mike Crikis, Chairman of the Nominating Committee, reported a vacancy on the committee created by the resignation of Jim Hulbert. Gary Warren was nominated to fill the vacancy. Mark Vogel moved he be elected. Ford Walton seconded, passed unanimously.

David Evans read the minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting on 4/15/92. ^{Jim Hulbert} He found that we will not need insurance to cover accidents during meetings. We will need to incorporate to be classified as a non-profit organization. This will have several advantages first it will add credibility to our organization, making it a recognized group, it will give us a tax-exempt status, and will place us in a better position to receive donations. David moved to incorporate, Mike seconded; passed unanimously. Our treasurer will have to be bonded and we will have to have a registered agent.

Mike Crikis will be looking into the feasibility of having advertisers in our newsletter to generate additional funds. David gave the treasurers report. ^{by discussing out} ~~the annual financial summary~~ ^{in an annual financial summary} As of the present meeting, FAB has a balance of \$2413.79. David moved that this report be approved, Bill Mason seconded; passed unanimously.

David reported that the Executive Committee recommended FAB serve as one of the sponsors for the 1994 NABS meeting. Bill Mason and Jim Hulbert have submitted an application for this meeting to be held at the Omni Expo Center in Orlando, January 1994. David moved that we serve as one of the sponsors, Ford Walton seconded; passed unanimously.

David reported that the Executive Committee recommended that we send the newsletter to other groups to get more people involved in our ^{organization} ~~society~~. ^{Doug Warren and} Ford Walton suggested that it would be helpful to inform membership ^{whether individual} is dues have been paid by incorporating the information on a mailing label. David said that he would look into this to see if it could be added to our label system. It was decided to include a sheet and envelop in the next newsletter so that a complimentary copy of the newsletter could be requested to go to friends, co-workers, or any interested persons.

Bill Mason reported from the Environmental Requirements Committee. He reported that the Executive Committee recommended that the data base is not distributed until it has 1000 species on it. To do so with fewer species would be premature and produce errors. He also requested more volunteers to help. PG: Did we vote on this?

When Mike Milligan solicited any old business, there was no comment.

As part of new business, the location of the next meeting was discussed. This will be held at Pigeon Key on October 19 and 20, 1992. The next meeting will be coordinated with the North American Oligochaete Conference which will also be held at Pigeon Key earlier that week. All spring meetings of FAB will be held in Gainesville.

David gave credit to Bill Mason for organizing this meeting.

Bill recommended we send a thank you note to the Division of Plant Industries for the use of their facilities.

David reported that the Executive Committee recommended we provide a plaque for all past FA presidents. Stephanie McCarty was appointed as the chairperson for ^{the Awards} ~~this~~ Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00.

Florida Association of Benthologists
Semiannual Executive Committee Meeting
Layton, Florida
23 October 1992

Meeting called to order at 11:00 am by Chairman Dave Evans. Other committee members present included Gary Warren, Jim Hulbert, Mike Milligan, Phillis Guthrie and Mark Vogel.

Dave distributed the updated executive committee list of members and a letter from Gray Bass of the Game and Freshwater Fish Commission addressing the format of the Environmental Requirements Committee (ERC) publication.

Dave initiated old business by commenting on the attempt of Mike ~~Krikas~~^{Crikis} to induce private companies to advertise in the FAB newsletter. Outside of the possibility of Wilco, Inc.,^d the newsletters' low circulation was discouraging most interest. Dave also related that no further progress had been made toward incorporating FAB, but expressed hope in fulfilling this goal sometime in 1993.

Dave introduced new business by pointing out that the FAB executive committee lacked a state representative, university representative and a member at large. He subsequently made a motion to nominate Doug Farrell as state representative. Mike seconded the motion and there was no opposition. General discussion lead to the suggestions of Tom Crisfman,^f Manny Pescador, Bruce Cowell and Fred Thompson as possible university representative. At that point Dave called for a concensus which led to the decision to ask Tom Crisfman. In the event of his

refusal the second choice would be left to Dave. Gary suggested Doug Strom for member at large to general agreement.

There was general discussion concerning Bill Mason's wish to co-chair the ERC with Phil Kane and the addition of Steve Moulton as a section chair. Jim moved to accept these changes and Gary seconded. Gary then moved to accept the format presented by Gray Bass for the ERC.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:58 am.

Respectively Submitted

Mark J. Vogel, Secretary