

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING OF THE METEORITICAL SOCIETY

Thursday night, October 29, 1964, 8 p.m., Tempe, Arizona (approved 10/23/65).

Members present: President Millman, Vice Pres. Crozier, Treasurer Zimmerman, Past President Russell, Councilors Foster, Monnig, and R. W. Barringer, C. B. Moore (guest), and Secretary Rowland.

The minutes of the last Council meeting (Ottawa, 1963) were moved, seconded and adopted.

After some discussion about the Society's safety deposit box at the Bank of New Mexico in Albuquerque, it was moved, seconded and approved that the securities deposited there should be transferred to the Crocker-Citizens Bank in San Jose, Calif., so that they can be inspected and so that the bonds, if they are no longer interest-bearing, can be re-invested by the Treasurer with the approval of the Council.

The attached statement concerning the Leonard Medal (see Appendix A) was moved, seconded, and approved for publication in METEORITICS, Vol. 2, No. 3.

In connection with our affiliation, with AAAS, the Council agreed that the Meteoritical Society, at some future AAAS meeting, would be willing to co-sponsor a symposium should there be some other organizations or agencies interested in having a session in the field of meteoritics.

The approval of the papers as listed in the program for the 27th Society meeting was moved, seconded, and passed. A motion to thank Dr. Carleton Moore for the excellent program, and to thank Mr. Herbert Fales for financing the printing, of the program was approved unanimously.

The following chairmen were appointed for the various scientific sessions of the 27th meeting: Fri. morn.: Peter Millman; Fri. evening: Walter Zimmerman; Sat. morn., session I: R. Barringer and O. Monnig; Sat. morn., session II: J. Russell and G. Foster; Sat. afternoon: C. B. Moore. At the Society dinner, Sat. evening, Peter Millman was master of ceremonies and Brandon Barringer was the speaker.

In connection with the field trip (on Nov. 1) to Flagstaff and the Barringer Meteorite Crater, a motion was made and approved that the Barringer Crater Co. should be thanked for paying for the transportation to and from Tempe; that the Meteor Crater Enterprises, Inc., should be thanked for providing lunches and arrangements at the crater; and that the Naval Observatory and the U. S. Geological Survey (Astrogeology Branch) should be thanked for their kindnesses in allowing the Society to see their installations in Flagstaff.

The announcements at the business meeting (Fri., 9:45 a.m.) were to include a list of new members; a list of deceased members; the statement concerning the Leonard Medal (see Appendix A); the willingness of the Barringer Crater Co. to underwrite METEORITICS, the journal of the Society; the possibility of an increase in annual dues; that there will be a \$2 registration fee beginning with the next (1965) meeting; and that a picture will be taken of the entire group at the end of the Friday morning session.

A bill for \$50.30 for postage, paper and envelopes for the mailing to the Society members was presented by C. B. Moore. Its payment was moved, seconded, and passed.

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Dr. C. B. Moore has taken the responsibility for reporting our 27th Society meeting to SCIENCE; Dr. Peter Millman to JRASC (Meteor News); and Dr. Dorrit Hoffleit and Richard Barringer (cooperating) to SKY AND TELESCOPE.

Sixteen (16) new members, admitted to the Society by the Executive Committee since the 1963 Council meeting, were approved.

It was suggested that, when mailing out application forms, the names of some Society members who might serve as sponsors (or nominators) be mentioned.

The Secretary was directed to send out up-to-date membership lists to the Council in order that nominations for fellowship might be made.

The Secretary's expenses for the year since the 1963 Council meeting of \$44.91 were approved.

The Treasurer's Report for the 1963 calendar year was approved and is attached as Appendix B. The Council approved W. Zimmerman's suggestion to bring the storage copies of Volume I of METEORITICS from Albuquerque to Zimmerman's residence for storage.

In her absence, a short letter from Editor Hoffleit was read indicating that Vol. 2, No. 3, of METEORITICS was off to the printers.

Richard Barringer reported that the Barringer Crater Co. is still interested in and willing to underwrite the publication of METEORITICS. He also made a brief report about Dr. C. P. Olivier, the Meteor Section of the Society, and the American Meteor Society.

It was reported that Thomas Rodman of Odessa, Texas, would make the local arrangements for the 28th meeting (1965) to be held in Odessa, while the President's office would receive the papers and arrange the scientific sessions for the meeting.

Washington, D. C. -- with E. P. Henderson as a host -- was suggested for the site of the 29th meeting (1966). If that is not possible, some other eastern site should be solicited.

The atmosphere-Planetarium at the Univ. of Nevada in Reno -- with Richard Norton, Director as host -- was suggested as a possible site for a future meeting.

Peter Millman as Incoming President of Commission 22 of the I. A. U. hopes that the Meteoritical Society can take the lead in forming a group (or whatever) for meteorite recovery and receiving reports in connection with the organization of fireball study and meteorite search (recommendation of Commission 22 of the I. A. U.) and the organization of international exchanges of new meteorites (U.N.E.S.C.O. Working Grp on Meteorites).

It was moved, seconded, and passed that a registration fee of \$2 will be charged beginning with the 1965 (Odessa) meeting. Agency discounts for purchasing METEORITICS were mentioned, but no action was taken. The motion to adjourn was entertained after 11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Gerald L. Rowland, Secretary

THE LEONARD MEDAL

The Leonard Medal was established in 1962 by the Meteoritical Society in memory of its first President, Professor Frederick C. Leonard, and with the purpose of encouraging original research in the broad field of meteoritics. The first Medal struck was presented by the Society to Rhoda W. Leonard, widow of the late Professor Leonard.

The Leonard Medal shall be awarded by the Council of the Meteoritical Society not oftener than once every year. The award shall be made on the basis of original contributions to the science of meteoritics and closely allied fields of research. Particular note will be taken of those whose most significant work lies between or among the major classical disciplines such as mathematics, astronomy, physics, chemistry, mineralogy and geology.

Nominations shall be made in writing to the Secretary of the Meteoritical Society and must be signed by a minimum of three members of the Society. Nominations should be accompanied by supporting material in the form of a brief summary of the candidate's scientific achievements, and a bibliography of his published papers.

Any scientist, regardless of race, nationality, or creed, shall be eligible for nomination for the Leonard Medal. Nominations for the Leonard Medal are now solicited from members of the Meteoritical Society.