

2015 SERA WINTER BUSINESS MEETING
MEETING NOTES, SUMMARY, TO-DO LIST

A full digital recording of the meeting, including grotto reports, is available in the archive file.

Chair Ohad Newton absent, Vice-Chair Candice Eagle conducts meeting.

Salons

Fine Art Judges = Sally Edwards, Tricia Spiliotis, Mendy Thomas (Best of Show Art = Chrys Hulbert, Best of Show Photo = Candice Eagle)

Map Judges = (report not provided)

Old Business

1. Scan Guidebooks covers 2006-present for website – completed
2. Supply guidebooks (and T-shirts?) to NSS archive – on hold until new headquarters is ready for them
3. Get Wilbanks' archive files – Maureen contact?
4. Provide meeting notes and reports to website -- completed
5. Contact Jennifer Foote regarding WNS decon insert for Responsible Caving – unresolved

Chattanooga reports 2014 Summer Cave Carnival had 211 in attendance, \$6,000 brought in.

Huntsville reported on Volunteer Survey Questionnaire.

New Business

Green River Grotto requests membership in SERA.

1. Motion to amend SERA Constitution Section III to allow membership in SERA for Kentucky Internal Organizations – original motion by Georgia Speleological Society (Nancy Aulenbach) on behalf of and specific to Green River Grotto – seconded by East Tennessee Grotto (Frank Bogle); amended to extend to any Kentucky Grotto (IO) by Sewanee Mountain Grotto (Mudpuppy) – seconded by Tennessee Cave Survey (Gerald Moni). (Carries unanimously)

Moved: “SERA Executive Committee to pursue writing an amendment to the Constitution to extend SERA Membership to Kentucky Internal Organizations.”

SERA Awards

Francis Mckinney Award – Not Awarded

Judges: John Attaway, Cindy Geick, Shari Lydy

Richard Schreiber Award – given to Mark Ostrander

Judges: Jason Hardy, Lyle Lassiter, Jeff Patton

Alexis Harris Conservation Award – given to Bill Putnam

Judges: Maureen Handler, Erin Ling, Cheryl Pratt

Larry S. Adams Landowner Appreciation Award – given to The Estate of Bruno Grunt and The Allardt Land Company

Judges: Frank Bogle, Peter Michaud, Gerald Moni

Meritous Service:

Don Hunter for Coordinating the Fine Arts Salon and Editing The Southeastern Caver (SERA Newsletter)

Bambi Dunlap and Kelly Smallwood for logistical support (and a home-cooked banquet!) of the WBM.

Election

Vice Chairman = Peter Michaud (Mudpuppy)

Sec/Treas = John Hoffelt



TREASURER REPORT

SOUTHEASTERN REGIONAL ASSOCIATION OF THE NSS

JANUARY 1, 2015

(Covering the Period January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014)

BEGINNING BALANCE		\$920.95
(Balance Forward from December 31, 2013)		
INCOME (\$933.00)		
2013 SERA Cave Carnival		\$ 589.50
2014 SERA Cave Carnival		<u>\$ 343.50</u>
	Subtotal	\$1,853.95
EXPENSES (\$915.39)		
SKTF SCC (2013 and 2014) Donation		\$ 646.50
2013 SERA Awards		\$ 200.00
Plaques, Frames		\$ 56.89
2014 Web Space		<u>\$ 12.00</u>
	(Subtotal Expenses)	<u>\$ 915.39</u>
ENDING BALANCE		\$ 938.56