

MASON-DIXON TRAIL SYSTEM, Inc.



Minutes of Board Meeting - January 19, 1983

Present at the home of Clair & Chris Piersol were: Dick Tobias (presiding), Pat & Katherine Boyle, Turner Darden, John Mott, Bob Yost, Mary Bleecker and Ron Gray.

The meeting was called to order at 2:01. Minutes of the November meeting were corrected as follows: the folks at Pinchot Park have been contacted several times, but there has been no response. Pat Boyle provided a comprehensive Treasurer's Report. The Treasurership of MDT-S was turned over to incoming Treasurer John Mott with \$427.29 in the checkbook. A resolution was passed transferring these responsibilities to John, with Delaware Trust as depository for MDT-S. It was decided that separate dues notices should be placed in the next mailing so that people have a specific reminder to put in their bills-to-be-paid pile. Corrections for Fall, 1982 bulletin: Dick Tobias' phone number should read [REDACTED]

Old Business - Dick offered a salute to Bob, Pat, Ron and Carl Reachard for bringing MDT-S as far along as it has come in only 4 years of active work. All agreed.

New Business - It was decided that the wide geographical spread of the officers of the club precluded having a centrally located post office box for all club mail.

Three Year Objectives were established as follows: 1) Increase memberships 2) Increase active participation by more of the membership 3) Hold directors' meetings four times a year at different locations along the trail, ideally where people can hike and then meet in a park, hostel or other sheltered locale (in the event of rain) afterwards. Clair was charged with the responsibility of chairing a site location committee.

TRAIL REPORTS - Bob Epps, Ron, Carl and Turner scouted down to the sub-station on the hill over Peach Bottom, only 2-3 miles from the Maryland line, and are waiting for an OK from Philadelphia Electric to begin trail work. Dick will contact PE so that work can at last get going. There is a work hike scheduled for March 3 to complete the clean-up of blow downs below the Norman Wood bridge. Ron feels the trail could be blazed all the way from Lock 12 to Whiskey Spring by December, 1983. Some blazing will have to be on roads around areas where final clearance has yet to be obtained. Turner reports there is still no trail on the ten mile stretch from Iron Hill to Elkton. John Wriston still takes responsibility for this section, intending to be done by June, 1983. If necessary, alternate trail could be blazed on the road over the summer. Reblazing has been done since the December 12 hike, as mentioned in the Fall newsletter.

HIKES UPCOMING

2-27-83. Meet at Otter Creek Recreation area at 9 AM for a 10 mile hike Ron Promises will be beautiful but strenuous from Greenbranch south to the York Club cabin where a delicious chili dinner and warm fire will await us for just \$3. Please make reservations with Ron [REDACTED] by Tuesday, the 22nd.

4-16-83 Assemble in the parking lot of the shopping center on Route 272 and Route 40 at 9:30 AM. We will hike from the town of Northeast to Perryville, MD. Leader: Turner Darden [REDACTED]

John M.
6-18-83 Greenbank to Wrightsville, 10-12 miles with Ron Gray - details to follow.

9-10-83 Landenberg to Iron Hill with Turner Darden - details to follow

After a temporary sojourn into the kitchen to watch Clair learn the intricacies of boiling water, the group enjoyed a variety of home baked cookies courtesy of Chris!

Regrouping, we decided the next mailing should contain: a questionnaire to determine members' interests and capabilities, a separate dues bill and a copy of the minutes.

The next meeting of the membership is to be held at the AYH at Marsh Lake State Park on April 17; this is also a Board meeting. This event is the Sunday following Turner's April 16th hike. Anyone wishing to spend the intervening night at the AYH should contact Clair [REDACTED] (day phone). Meet at 9 to hike, 1:30 mtg. only

✱ Pending availability of the bill enclosure, please send only \$⁴ dues to MDT-S to:

John Mott
[REDACTED]

Mary Bleecker, Secretary

Flagged through book?

Examine early PM N. of Park

*approve
Cagle Project for Bygones*

*approved to go out and be out
following Gandy's
Found - make etc*

to Franklin T. [unclear]