

Also discussed was the upcoming 1996 national Trout Habitat Workshop. After discussion it was decided not to sponsor the 1996 workshop. Instead the committee decided to have the chairman inform Don Jackson that the Trout Committee would consider sponsorship in 1998 in Arkansas with John Stark as primary host.

Secretary's Note: If sponsorship is accepted the probable site will be in Eureka Springs or Fayetteville (Near Beaver Tailwater).

The issue of electrofishing injuries to trout was also animatedly discussed. The committee agreed to take a two track approach to addressing recent scientific and fishing magazine articles which are anti-electrofishing. Mark Hudy will work on coming up with a response to at least the popular literature. The committee then moved to have the officers bring the issue before the Southern Division EXCOM. Also it was noted that it was urgent that AFS make definitive statements in support of proper electrofishing technique.

The status of the leftover Brown Trout Workshop Proceedings was noted and it was suggested that the AFS mailing list for libraries be procured and send copies to them. Also copies will be brought to East Coast II.

The status of Southern Appalachian Strain Brook Trout was discussed and Steve Moore reported that the issue had not yet been resolved. Steve will follow up with McCracken and Morgan. The committee authorized up to \$1,000 "incentive" for winding up analysis and pulling together all data and results in a compendium report.

Miscellaneous items discussed included:

Southern Rivers Council (SRC-Cindy Williams). Background information presented. Three projects currently funded-Shular Creek (NC), N. Chickamauga Creek (TN) for restoration of degradation by acid mine drainage, and Copper Creek (AL). Cindy encouraged members to find partners and submit projects. Need nonfederal dollars for match. Other potential projects: Abram's Creek (GSMNP), Paint Rock (AL), Chickamauga (TN), Horse Lick Creek (NC). Meetings of the SRC are to be held in February, projects are submitted to national in August, so need proposals by June.

The Spring 1996 Committee Meeting will be held in the Clemson, SC area with Dan Rankin and Hugh Barwick & Co. as cohosts. The Committee will not meet in conjunction with the Southern Division midyear technical session in 1996.

John Stark was unanimously "elected" Secretary/Treasurer and is now in the line of automatic succession to the Chair behind Sheryl Bryan (co-chair) and Andy Dolloff (chair).

Secretary's note: My apologies! The new Secretary/Treasurer "elect" was in such shock that notes were not taken on the round table discussion.

Members responding in the round table included-

Hutson (Texas)

Stark (Arkansas)

Barwick (Duke Power)

Hudy (George Washington and Jefferson NFs)

Boaze (Wildlife Consultants, Inc.)

Moore (US-NPS Great Smoky Mtns. NP)

Borawa (NC Wildlife Res. Comm.)

Dolloff (USFS-Coldwater Fish Res.)

Mohn (VA Dept Game & Inland Fish)

Durniak (GA-DNR)