

The 2012 Surveying and Cartography Section Meeting of the National Speleological Society

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The 2012 Surveying and Cartography Section meeting of the National Speleological Society was held on June 25th, 2012, in the Band Room of the Greenbrier East High School in Lewisburg, West Virginia. Attending were the following members and friends of the Section:

Brent Aulenbach	George Dasher	Jason Richards
Luc le Blauc	Lee Florea	Peter Sprouse
Lynn Brucker	Preston Forsythe	Bob Thrun
Roger Brucker	Shari Forsythe	Carol Vesely
Chris Chenier	Jim Kennedy	Robert Yoelling
Jim Coke	Dwight Livingston	

The Chairman of the section, Aaron Addison, was not present at the meeting, and Vice-Chairman Howard Kalnitz began the meeting at about 12:20 pm. First on the agenda was the elections, and Howard said he could not run because he is moving to France for work. After some discussion, Dwight was nominated for Chairman, Carol for Vice-Chair, Bob Hoke for treasurer, George for secretary, and Brent for editor and webmaster. Jim made a motion to close the nominations that Brent seconded, and Jim Kennedy made a motion that we accept the nominations by acclamation, which Howard seconded.

Dwight then gave a report on the Cartographic Salon, and said that 21 maps had been entered. These were split between novices and experts, and there were also some that were for show only. Dwight also asked if certain entrants had received Medals in the past, as he did not know which category to place their maps in, and Jim Kennedy and George attempted to answer these questions. Jim also asked who was judging, and Dwight said he had six confirmed and possibly seven.

The Compass and Tape was discussed next, and Howard reiterated what Bob Hoke had proposed at the previous convention in Colorado, and what had been approved by the Section. This was that Bob sent a note to the SACS' board that the July 2010 issue was the last C&T produced, SACS owes about 1600 issues to its members, we should produce the C&T as a pdf on the web, and we should cease accepting dues. SACS Bob said should continue to run the Salon, and we have about \$3100 in our treasury, which should last about 20 years. We should also not maintain a database of our membership, but rather just a listserve.

There was some discussion regarding this. Howard said that we should not shut down the C&T, as Jason has volunteered to be the editor. Jim Kennedy said that we should just let Jason do what he wants to do, and Jason said he wants to publish quarterly. There was also some discussion on publishing the Cart Salon maps, and George pointed out that there is a copyright concern meaning the editor will have to ask each cartographer if it is ok to print each map. Howard said that his goal is to publish the good maps in detail.

There was then some additional discussion regarding the Salon, and Brent said that the SACS' website is "weird." He also said he will work on the website, and that he needs the old treasurer's and secretary's reports. He email address, he added, is btaulend@usgs.gov.

Dwight (who was now running the meeting) asked if there was any additional business, and there was no. Howard added that the SACS Session would begin at 2 pm. The meeting was adjourned at 12:55 pm.

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