

**IKC ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING**  
**Saturday, March 22, 2003**  
**Greenwood, Indiana**

**Officers and Directors Present:**

Bruce Bowman  
Jim Adams (proxy by Bambi Dunlap)  
Keith Dunlap  
Bruce Devore (proxy by Jamie Winner)  
Dave Haun  
Don Ingle  
Kriste Lindberg  
Steve Lockwood  
Nick Noe (proxy by Carita Noe)  
Bob Sergesketter  
Tom Sollman  
Bill Tozer  
Bob Vandeventer  
Dick Vernier  
Kathy Welling

Absent: None

The Annual Business Meeting was called to order at 10:01 AM at the Greenwood Public Library in Greenwood, President Bruce Bowman presiding. The minutes of the Spring Director's meeting were approved as published in the March 2003 *IKC Update*.

Treasurer Dunlap reported \$165,000 in total assets. Of that, \$57,000 is liquid with \$19,000 in the Land Acquisition fund, \$11,000 in the Stewardship fund, \$2,000 in the Dues fund, and the remainder in the General fund. Due to lowering interest rates in our saving account, \$40,000 was transferred into short-term Certificates of Deposit. The membership stands at 190 with 129 members already renewed for 2003.

Elections were the next order of business with Bill Tozer serving as the Election Teller. Vernier was elected as President. Adams was re-elected as Secretary. Dunlap was re-elected as Treasurer. Directors elected to the three-year terms were Bowman, Devore, Haun, and Sollman. The one-year terms were filled by Nick Noe and Jamie Winner. Tozer indicated 86 ballots were cast of the 186 sent out (46%). Haun moved to destroy the ballots, Welling seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Annual Reports were given by Adams (Shiloh Patron), Jeff Cody (Buddha and Shaft Patron), Dunlap (Sullivan Property Manager & Coon/Grotto Patron), Lockwood (Orangeville Rise Property Manager, Tom Rea (Buddha Property Manager), and Vandeventer (Sullivan Patron). These reports will be published in the June 2003 *IKC Update*. Reports from Tom Willett (Wayne's Patron), Ronnie Burns (Suicide), and Richard Newton (Indian Creek CE) were not received/presented.

One action item from the Annual Reports needing follow-up is that the Shiloh lease agreement will expire this year and will need to be renewed.

Upcoming events include the Blanton sinkhole clean-up on March 29th, replacement tree planting at the Sullivan Property on April 5, preparation work at the Buddha Property on April 6th, Under-Earth Day at the Buddha Property (tree planting, kiosk installation) on April 12th, and the fencing project at the Orangeville Rise on May 17th.

There was a general discussion on geocaches and specifically on the geocache located at the Orangeville Rise. The location is causing a trail and erosion problem. Lockwood is to contact the group involved and ask them to remove it from the property.

Bowman discussed the probable open position of the Bloomington Indiana Grotto liaison that would replace Erik Liebhaber and Anmar Mirza. It was mentioned that Dave Everton has expressed an interest and the Board had no opposition to that appointment (note: the BIG Executive Board does the selection, not the IKC Board).

The Indiana Cave Symposium will be April 26th near Taylorsville, Indiana. Sergesketter moved (seconded by Ingle) that the IKC co-sponsor the expenses, not to exceed \$50. Motion passed unanimously.

Rea updated the Board on the MOU being worked on between the IKC and Spring Mill State Park. There are several projects to be conducted under the MOU including the closure of a "hole" in Donaldson Cave to reduce erosion.

There were a number of potential land acquisition projects being investigated.

Tozer gave an update on investment strategies for the Stewardship fund. For the short-term, the money will be kept in CDs. Longer-term we will likely utilize the National Speleological Foundation to manage the fund.

During Under-Earth Day at the Buddha Property, the kiosk will be installed, but the three panels will be blank. We will need to compose the displays in the near future. The members of the Education and Outreach Committee were asked to prepare a proposal.

Discussion ensued with respect to boundary markers at both the Orangeville Rise and Buddha Karst Preserve. The group agreed to request five of the standard concrete monuments from Nature Preserves. Bowman will follow up.

Vandeventer passed out the 2003 calendars to the Board and others.

Next meeting, Saturday, June 14th at the IU Geology Building.

Vandeventer moved to adjourn. Lockwood seconded. Meeting adjourned at 11:31.

Submitted by Bambi Dunlap, Acting Secretary.