

The September ICS meeting began at 8:10 PM at Ray Sheldon's house. Bruce Trotter, Dave Everton, Brian Killingbeck, Ray Sheldon, and Keith Dunlap attended. The minutes were approved.

Keith gave the treasurer's report. The ICS has \$2,915.51. Everyone's dues are up-to-date. We currently have 52 members. Glenn Lemasters has recently rejoined. He would like to rejoin as a regular member. Ray Sheldon moved that Glenn be given regular member status. Brian Killingbeck seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Ray began the county director reports. He recently took a reporter caving. Dave mentioned that Kristi Lindberg works with a reporter in Bloomington who reported on Buckner Cave. Dave reported a little bit of activity in his counties though he hasn't been able to update the database. Jerry Lewis has been working on the I-69 cave project. Bruce reported that he and Ray only have a few more trips to finish the HNF project. All of the comments are done. The HNF office will receive a spreadsheet. Their next big focus is processing all the entrance photos and maps. The HNF wants a resource inventory. Approximately 40 caves in HNF need surveyed. The IGS liaison is different now. John Hill resigned and Rick Hill took over. When we get our next CD update, Dave will meet with Rick. The Archivist, Bruce Trotter, reported that we have received 600 online report forms. He's also received mailings from Dave Tibbets. He receives most of his report forms from the website. He's still working on the data received from Sam. Keith Dunlap reported that the map project currently has completed 1,812 maps. He'd recently added about 12 maps. He's logging in whatever maps he receives.

Jerry Litaker's counties are now available. Ray is interested in Shelby if nobody else wants it. Bruce is willing to take back Jennings and Decatur. Dave mentioned that Will Ott and Mike Drake asked about becoming a county director. Dave declined Mike's request. Jack Countryman has also asked. Dave asked if we'd been reluctant in the past to breakup counties and wanted to know if we're still reluctant to do that. Ray didn't think it is currently a factor though county directors do need to verify new entries. Bruce mentioned that we've never had a lot of people wanting to be a county director in the past and haven't turned many people down. Keith thought that adding new county directors would cause problems for whoever has to teach them. Keith thinks small counties should be rolled back into larger counties. Ray said that half the caves in Jennings county still need reported. Dave gave Ray Shelby county. Dave wants to encourage new people to be involved. Keith asked if we should give Dave Tibbets more counties.

Dave brought up some membership upgrade request. Sean Lewis requested regular membership to the ICS. Bruce moved to wave the 2 year requirement and give him regular member status. Ray seconded. The motion was unanimously approved. Sam Frushour requested contributing member status. He received recommendation letters from Bill Baus, Bruce Trotter, Randy Jackson, and Dave Everton. The board approved unanimously. The membership approved unanimously. Jerry Lewis wants regular member status. Dave wants him to be eligible for contributing member. Keith doesn't feel he's met contributing membership qualifications. Ray wants to give him regular status and if he wants contributing then he can ask. Bruce mentioned that Jerry hadn't necessarily filled out 5 report forms. Ray affirmed that a couple people have been denied regular member status because they hadn't filled out enough

report forms. Keith moved that we waive the 5 forms requirement in case he hadn't submitted 5 forms. Dave seconded. The board voted unanimously to waive the requirement. Dave moves that he become a regular member. Brian seconds. The membership unanimously approved the motion.

Bruce would like to consider meeting only 3 times a year and doing business over email. He pointed out that we only had 5 people in attendance for this meeting and have done business in the past by email. Dave mentioned that he tries to involve membership by soliciting input outside of meetings. He agreed that we could conduct business through email or phone calls. Keith said that our bylaws don't allow for email votes. He mentioned that the IKC spent a lot of time on procedures for conducting business through email. He thought we either need to have meetings or revise the bylaws. He believes that email does work well for discussion and also asked if we only had 3 meetings should we only have 3 newsletters? Brian thought we should send out an agenda ahead of time to potentially attract more people to meetings.

Dave wanted to discuss the ICS Grotto Liaison program. He explained that we would appoint responsible ICS members to set up an agreement between grottos and the ICS. The liaison would give out cave locations to the grottos. Keith asked if there are enough contributing members to fulfill that obligation. Dave doesn't think the liaison needs to necessarily be a contributing member. He said that the ICS could ask for some requirements for giving out information. Bruce asked when the last time we did some PR for the ICS was. Dave mentioned that the CIG does Cave Caper guidebooks and that the maps and descriptions used to be old and out-of-date before Mark Sparks took over. Dave would like to see them asking for up-to-date information from the ICS. Ray thinks the liaison program is a good idea. Keith asked if it would help if we had a 15 minute PowerPoint presentation explaining what the ICS is and going over data entry forms. The group liked this idea. The group agreed that members should turn in out-of-state cave locations to the ICS. Ray mentioned that he'd done a lot of work on the HNF project and hoped to see it soon updated in the database. Dave Everton shared that Rob Jarboe was in Boulder, Co. Rob plans to update the database even if all the online report forms aren't deleted.

Ray mentioned that somebody recently got stuck in a cave. They hadn't filled out a permit and weren't charged for their rescue. Keith shared that if you're rescued and hadn't filled out a permit, then they could have you pay for the rescue.

Ray asked how the Buckner's cleanup is going. Dave told him there's an article in the IKC update.

The next meeting will be at Nick Noes? It is tentatively planned for the second Monday of December, the 11th. The meeting adjourned at 10:25 PM.