

**Geological Society of Minnesota
Annual Meeting
September 16, 2019
U Garden Restaurant**

1. Opening announcements by President Dave Wilhelm.

- a. Please see Joanie Furlong or Dave Kelso for new memberships and renewals
- b. Some of the videos from our Video Library are available on the back table. A complete index of available videos can be found on the GSM website.
- c. Hats and T shirts with the GSM logo are on display and for sale at the back of the meeting room. Please see Joe Newberg to order these items.
- d. Please consider signing up to bring cookies to one of our lectures. The sign-up sheet is located on the front table.
- e. Lectures are eligible for Continuing Education Credits. Forms can be found on the front table; Dave Wilhelm and/or Steve Erickson can sign them.
- f. Our presenter tonight is Randy Strobel, Ph.D. and will be speaking on “The Geology of the Bakken Formation, North Dakota.
- g. Our next Monday lecture will be held in room 16 in Vincent Hall.

2. Business Meeting – A quorum was declared with about 80 members present.

- a. There were 5 new attendees at tonight’s meeting. Most had heard of the GSM from the State Fair booth.
- b. Current Board members were asked to introduce themselves and received a rousing round of applause for their service to the GSM.
- c. Dick Bottenberg and Kate Clover will be leaving the Board as their terms expire at the end of the year. They were thanked for their service to the GSM and the Board.
- d. Actions to be considered by the membership tonight include electing Joe Newberg and Dave Kelso to a second two-year term on the Board and to consider the nomination of Pat Pfundstein and John Westgaard to the Board.
- e. Joe, Dave Kelso, and Pat introduced themselves emphasizing why they wanted to serve on the Board.
- f. A motion was made by Steve Erickson to approve all four candidates to the Board by “unanimous consent”. Approved by voice vote.
- g. This ended the business meeting and we moved on to announcements.

3. Announcements.

- a. Presentation – Ed Steffner and Sandy Steffner were presented with “rock hammers” engraved with the GSM logo for their long time and continued service to the GSM. Thank you to Ed and Sandy.
- b. Dan Japuntich thanked all the volunteers and the State Fair Committee members for a very successful booth this year. New chairs have been added to the booth for volunteers’ comfort and safety. After five years as chair of the State Fair Committee, Dan is retiring from the Committee but intends to continue to be involved. Thank you, Dan for your service to the GSM.
- c. Theresa Tweet – The Minnesota Mineral and Rock Show will be held on October 19th and 20th. The GSM will, again, have a table (similar to the state fair display) at the show. Please see Theresa if you could volunteer to help staff the table.

- d. Randy Strobel – A “solar parade of homes” type event will be this Saturday Oct 5. GSM has participated in the past. For those of you that would like to participate we will meet at the Seward Café in Minneapolis.
- e. Patrick Pfundstein – The Science Museum of Minnesota will be holding an “Object ID Day” on October 5. Pat is heading up the GSM’s participation and needs volunteers to staff a table. If you can volunteer, please see Pat. Volunteers will receive free parking and a free entrance wrist band.
- f. Dave Wilhelm gave a quick review of the Sand and Sandstone Field Trip held September 7 through 9. Articles describing this trip will be in the November GSM Newsletter.
- g. Steve Erickson highlighted the new lecture schedule which can be found on the GSM website.
- h. Tonight’s lecture is titled “Geology of the Bakken formation in North Dakota” by Randy Strobel, PhD.

Submitted by
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