Geological Society of Connecticut

Steering Committee Meeting Minutes
April 19, 2010, Dinosaur State Park, Rocky Hill, CT

Call to order: The meeting was called to order by Janet Stone at 4:20pm
Attendees: Janet Stone; Randy Steinen; Peter LeTourneau; Margaret Thomas;
Mark Lewis; Mike Wizevich; Meg Enkler; Christine Witkowski

Field trip and Guidebook: issues discussed (included but not limited to):
Target date to printer: Monday 4/26
M.Thomas will apply for ISBN number
Material for cover – laminated? Title page: add a map of CT. Include editors. Will this be
CGNHS field trip guide #9 in addition of GSC FT Guide book #1? Access language on front
pages...(i.e. permission needed to get into quarries). Total # of pages expected; # of color
pictures expected?
P. LeTourneau & M.Thomas discussed field guide formatting and font issues.

# of anticipated registrants and print run? (32 have registered to date…will there be a last
minute rush?) Extra copies to be available at Friends of DSP bookstore; DEP bookstore.
The price of the guidebook is anticipated to be $15

M.Thomas will send another reminder to members and prospective members about
looming deadline (Fri. 4/23).
M.Enkler will arrive at DSP early on May and open parking lot at 8 for car-poolers.
J.Stone will make a set of directions to stops and send to Steinen, who will send them out
to registrants early next week.

Burgers & Beer after Field Trip: Menu will be burgers, veggie burgers and dogs,
cookies/brownies, and a to-kill-for slaw that J.Stone will make. M.Enkler will procure most
of the food and utensils at Cosco. J.Stone agreed to obtain paper products, condiments,
and some specialty water (it was decided to have water rather than soda). M.Lewis will get
beer. C.Witlowski and J.Stone will bring gas-grills.

Event Insurance: Lower cost quotes for event insurance (<300$) have come in but it was
decided to forego the insurance (similar to NEIGC).

Membership Report: 165 members (including 14 student members); 12 new members
since field trip announced

Treasurer’s Report reviewed and approved

Minutes from 3/22 meeting were approved

Submitted by R. Steinen & M. Thomas, 5/14/10
Other issues:

NE GSA: looking for a 2012 meeting location- Jean Crespi has requested that a letter of inquiry be forwarded to the GSC membership. CT can host the meeting provided there are enough volunteers to run meeting. Membership will be queried. Meeting in March 2012 with 500-700 people.

GSC Annual meeting this November: J.Stone suggested that we ask R. Wintsch (Indiana U.) to provide a key-note address on metamorphic geology of CT in the fall and then lead a Field Trip in the spring when he normally comes out to do field work with his students. There was some question about whether a coastal or glacial geology topic would have more interest. It was general consensus that Wintsch would be asked first because the following year he may not be available. Janet will talk to him next month when he is in state.

CAAC donation: CAAC runs a spring fund-drive and sent us a letter requesting support. It was unanimously decided to send them $100 for this year.

Membership issues: confusion about span of current members was discussed. There are currently membership forms in circulation with 2 different membership terms. We are agreed to the membership term of the calendar year, rather than July 1 –June 30. Membership chair can solve on an individual basis any problems individual members may have regarding what they think they have paid for. The membership form will be updated on the web site to reflect the new membership year.

Student members: membership form should be revised to include their school affiliation. They must be full-time students to take advantage of the reduced dues.

Next Meeting: Mon, June 7th, 2010 @ 4:00pm Dinosaur Park, Rocky Hill.
Meeting Adjourned @ 6:00pm.