Geological Society of Connecticut
Steering Committee Meeting Minutes
June 28, 2010, Dinosaur State Park, Rocky Hill, CT

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Janet Stone at 4:00pm
Attendees: Janet Stone; Ralph Lewis; Margaret Thomas; Mark Lewis; Mike Wizevich; Randy Steinen; Gail Batchelder

Minutes: Minutes from June 7 meeting were approved.

Treasurer’s Report: Randy distributed a 3 page treasurer’s report and presented highlights regarding field trip expenses and income. Additional memberships are continuing to be received. The total balance in the Society treasury is $3839.32. The treasurer’s report was approved. Fiscal Year is coming to a close at the end of June. Randy will investigate the reporting requirements needed to finalize the books. Randy will purchase a portable hard drive for use to run accounting software as well as to serve as the Society documents archive.

Fall Annual Meeting: Bob Winsch has offered Oct 15th or Oct 22nd, both Friday evenings, to give a talk at our annual meeting. There was some discussion about possible attendance issues for Friday evenings. Bob prefers Fridays due to his class schedule at Indiana Univ. The alternate Monday evenings would be Oct 18th or Oct 25th. The membership will be canvassed regarding their preference for a specific date and location for the annual meeting. The location selections would be Dinosaur State Park, Wesleyan, or CCSU.

Bylaws: Discussion ensued regarding specific details of the Society bylaws. The role of the president, directors, and standing committee chairs was discussed. There was additional discussion regarding the definition of a quorum for voting purposes and timeliness for refilling vacancies on the board. Standing committees with significant overlapping roles were combined, such as membership & budget, as well as geological education, publications & communication committees. Mike will compile the new draft bylaws and distribute them to the Steering Committee. Once finalized, the Society Bylaws will be adopted by a vote of the Steering Committee.

Other Issues: Mike reported about the ongoing planning for a NEPSA Regional Meeting in Hartford in 2012. Everyone will be needed to contribute to the planning efforts of the meeting. The Society will continue to be a supporting partner to ensure success of the meeting.

A request to join the Steering Committee has been received through the domain email. After some discussion, it was decided that as we are proceeding to bring the steering committee to a conclusion, this would not be the time for new steering committee members. With the election of officers coming, all members are encouraged to participate and support Society governance.

Next Meeting: Monday August 9th or Aug 16th at 4pm Rocky Hill Marriott - to be decided through electronic polling of the Steering Committee.

Meeting Adjourned: 6:00pm

Above minutes as amended and approved on Aug. 16