MEMO

TO: AFS Membership
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DATE: April 9, 1975
SUBJECT: Establishment of Mississippi Chapter

We had an excellent response to the inquiry concerning interest in the establishment of a Mississippi Chapter of AFS. There were twenty-five affirmative responses, seven negative responses, two members had moved out of state and seven did not respond.

The next step is to have an organizational meeting. In lieu of going through a lengthy survey of the membership to choose a meeting date, the date of May 7, 1975 has been chosen. The meeting will be held at the William Turcotte Laboratory located on Ross Barnett Reservoir at 1:00 p.m.

Enclosed are copies of the proposed Bylaws, petition and a meeting site map. Please try to attend, as we need every member's advice and assistance.
Section 5 - Duties of Officers

The President of the Chapter shall preside at all meetings, shall serve as the Chairman of Executive Committee, shall represent the Chapter to the Division and to the American Fisheries Society, and shall make such appointments and perform other duties and functions as are authorized and necessary.

The Vice President shall be Chairman of the Program Committee and shall assume the duties of the President in the event of his inability to act.

The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep the official records of the Chapter, collect and be custodian of registration fees collected under Section 10 of these Bylaws, and of any funds which may be allotted to the Chapter. The Secretary-Treasurer shall disburse funds as may be authorized and necessary and shall submit a record of receipts and disbursements at the annual Chapter meeting. He shall perform such duties as may be requested by the Secretary-Treasurer of the American Fisheries Society and of the Division.

Section 6 - Executive Committee

The Executive Committee of the Chapter shall consist of the elected officers and the immediate Past President. The committee is authorized to act for the Chapter between meetings and to perform appropriate duties and functions.

Section 7 - Chapter Committees

Committees and the Chairmen of Committees, except as listed in Section 5 of these Bylaws, shall be appointed by the President as may be necessary for the conduct of the Chapter activities.

The terms of office for members of Chapter Committees shall end upon the discharge of the duties for which they were appointed, or at the next annual meeting of the Chapter, whichever comes first.

Section 8 - Election of Members

Application for membership in the American Fisheries Society may be received by the Secretary-Treasurer of the Chapter and shall be forwarded to the Executive Secretary of the Society.

Section 9 - Voting and Quorum

Decisions at meetings of the Chapter shall be in accordance with Article IV, Paragraph 4, of the Constitution of the American Fisheries Society.

A quorum at any meeting for the transaction of official business shall be one-third of the Chapter membership.