

IWOA ANNUAL MEETING

SEPTEMBER 08, 2014

Ann and Jon Schneckloth Farm Charles City

President Wagner called the meeting to order at 12:30 pm and introduced the newly elected board members, and officers. Semler President, Ann Schneckloth VP Joanne Mensinger Treas, Millice Sec and Cathy Wilkie as Membership. Millice and Bartemes were reelected and Kevin Karr replaces Kevin Kelly.

From this point President Semler directed the Annual meeting.

Semler thanked Ann and Jon Schneckloth for hosting the IWOA Fall Field Day and Annual Meeting.

Minutes of last annual meeting were presented, motion by Larry Wiley and seconded by Semler, approved.

Treasurers' report was presented; IWOA has a balance of \$15,000 on hand.

Semler shared information on the Forestry Scholarship that IWOA is providing to Iowa State. Individuals may also donate to this particular scholarship.

Forestry students were discussed. In the past IWOA has provided a free one year membership to ISU Forestry students, we did not get any renewals out of this effort. It was suggested that we look at Ellsworth and Upper Iowa for interest.

At this point we took time to recognize one of our members who has been doing some outstanding work in supporting IWOA and raising awareness of problems facing our trees and woodlands by asking folks to contact our legislators about these emerging threats. The Board has established the "Larry and Twila Wiley Award". The first recipient of this award goes to Larry Wiley for his tireless efforts and dedicated service to IWOA and the trees of Iowa.

Dave Bartemes and the Collation have been leading the effort on the Hill and were able get a \$500,000 appropriation for the Healthy Trees Initiative.

We did discuss locations for future field days and asked for folks to step forward.

At 12:50 pm the business meeting was adjourned and door prizes distributed

Prepared by Paul Millice, Secy.