

IWOA Board Minutes

September 24, 2016

State Forest Nursery Ames Iowa

Present: Chuck Semler, Paul Millice, Robert Jefferson, Kevin Karr, Al Wagner, Tom Brady

Absent: Rathje, Bartemes, Schneckloth

Also in attendance Cathy Wilkie

President Semler called the meeting to order at 8 am.

Minutes of July Board meeting were reviewed; motion to approve by Wagner and second by Jefferson, approved.

Treasurer Report; was reviewed motion by Jefferson and second by Semler, Approved.

Semler to follow up with Treasurer as to status of bonding.

Membership: We are up about twelve members do to Kevin's direct mailings and Larry Wiley's work. Motion by Millice and Second by Semler, approved.

Welcome letter, Semler will follow up and pass along to the new President.

Face book advertising, Wagner has created an Iowa Woodland Owners group and Cathy said she would resurrect the IWOA page on Face book.

There was some question about our web site, responsibility and the need to clean it up.

ISU Forestry Scholarship the balance is \$4,937.50 and a reminder that anyone can contribute to this, and we need to put a note in Timber Talk to this opportunity for our members.

Jefferson suggested that we get Iowa State U to write an article for Timber Talk, Semler to follow up.

Cathy could include a note in renewals.

Elections: Ed Kocal was elected and Tom Brady and Al Rathje were reelected.

Officers; President Millice, VP Kevin Karr, Secretary Ann Schneckloth, Treas Sherri Sisson, Membership Cathy Wilkie.

Motion by Wagner second by Karr, Office holders approved.

Kevin Karr shared information on the membership project that he has been working on. We now have 22 new members in three counties

We have \$500 left of the budgeted amount for mailings

We talked about a welcome letter to new members, Semler said he would handle.

Semler asked Wagner to follow up on Facebook advertising.

Fall field day discussed. 0900 Sep 27 to be held at the *State Forest Nursery* Ames, IA and then on to the *Horticultural Center* and lunch by the Cattleman. Board meeting will start at 0800.

Next year's meetings. It was suggested that we check with private Foresters, State Foresters as well as ISU Extension.

Shannon Ramsey volunteered to host the Spring 2017 Field Day; we need to avoid Earth Week.

Kevin Karr may host Spring Field Day April 2018

Semler to check with *Timber Talk* Editor Reference header for Timber Talk

Board elections, Semler, Brady and Rathje's terms will be up this year, it appears as though Semler is the only one that will be running for reelection so we will have two new board members.

Scholarship; IWOA received word that ISU issued a scholarship this year in our name although we did not get an invitation to the presentation event

Millice presented a bill to the board for \$74.20 which was for the coffee for the Spring Field Day.

Millice shared that he attended an *Iowa DNR Trees For Kids* event in West Liberty on Sat May 21st managed by Laura Wagner and was highly impressed

Millice shared that we are down to 38 lanyards and need to order another hundred. The plan is to print up three name tags for each member and keep closer tabs on lanyards not being returned.

Motion by Semler to adjourn. 12:20 pm

Paul Millice IWOA Sec.

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