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## MINUTES OF DIRCTOR'S MEETING October 12, 1991 Marshalltown, IA

The meeting was called to order at 10:00am by President Grimes. Directors present were Alman, Gnewikow, Handley, Miller, Quade and Yocom. Also present were Newsletter Editor Frye, State Forester Farris and Presidential Candidate Ritter.

Minutes of the Board meeting of August 9 were distributed and reviewed. Moved by Handley, seconded by Yocom to approve. Motion carried.

The financial report for the 1990-1991 year was distributed by Treasurer Alman. After review, moved by Handley, seconded by Gnewikow to approve. Motion carried.

Discussed a late bill from the Motel for the Annual Meeting. Moved by Yocom, seconded by Miller to pay \$138.50 on this bill, which excludes unused bar services. Motion carried.

President Grimes distributed a proposed ammendment to Section 2 of Article V of the Bylaws to allow the election of officers who are not presently members of the Board of Directors. The proposed ammendment reads as follows:

"Section 2. The officers of the association shall be a president, vice president, secretary and treasurer, all of whom shall be regular members of the Iowa Woodland Owners Association but none need be members of the Board of Directors. The offices of secretary and of treasurer may be combined and held by one person. The offices of president and vice-president shall not be combined and shall be held by different persons. No person having served two full consecutive terms as president shall be eligible for the election to a third consecutive term as president, and no person having served two full consecutive terms as vice-president shall be eligible for the election to a third consecutive term as vice-president. There shall be no similar limitation for those holding the offices of either the secretary or the treasurer."

Moved by Quade, seconded by Yocom that the proposed bylaws ammendment be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

It was generally agreed that the Bylaws ammendment just adopted could stand further improvement. Board members were urged to think about it, and Grimes was asked to present suggested ammendments at the next Board meeting.

Past Board member William C. Ritter was nominated for the post of 1991-92 President, and Eugene O. Frye for 1991-92 Secretary. Moved by Alman, seconded by Yocom that Ritter and Frye be elected President and Secretary respectively. Motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Alman distributed copies of the proposed 1991-92 budget. Moved by Alman, seconded by Handley that 10 cents per mile mileage compensation be extended to committee chairpersons while on IWOA business as well as Board members. Motion carried. Moved by Handley, seconded by Miller to increase the proposed mileage budget from \$500 to \$800, and reduce the Contingency Fund from \$450 to \$150. Motion carried. Moved by Handley, seconded by Yocom to approve the proposed budget as ammended. Motion carried.

Discussed possibility of mailing out the IWOA Newsletter with other State publications going to the same people, but because of the editorial restrictions that would be placed upon the Newsletter if it was in any way sponsored or supported by the State, agreed that this was not a good idea at this time.

President Grimes reported that no further word had been heard from IRS on our application for declaration as a Non-Profit organization. Members suggested that our elected representatives should be contacted on the matter.

Newsletter Editor Frye reported that the TREES FOREVER organization had been given a copy of the IWOA mailing list per August 9 Board action, but that he had not yet been contacted by the Iowa Heritage Foundation for their set. It was pointed out that the Heritage Foundation should give IWOA a writeup in exchange for the mailing list. Frye agreed to send the mailing list and a one-page article on IOWA when he is given the proper contact information.

Discussed arrangements for the 1992 Annual Meeting to be held in conjunction with the Walnut Growers Council. Gnewikow agreed to coordinate detailed arrangements.

President Grimes reported on the North Central Tree Farm Regional Meeting. He urged that procedures for qualifying as a Tree Farm be printed in the Newsletter. Farris is to send Frye material describing these procedures.

Regarding the State Fair, the four birdhouses per forest district in Iowa have been distributed to the District Foresters for pickup by the winners.

Farris gave a brief report on recent events affecting Iowa woodlands. REAP funds for forestry have been cut back to 10 million dollars, or about \$1500 per county in Iowa. CRP signups for putting land in trees have been very good, and many are converting 10-year grassland contracts to 15-year tree contracts. The current Iowa budget situation is having a serious negative impact upon the forestry services available from the state.

Incoming President Ritter thanked the 1990-91 officers and Board members for their work during the past year, and presented opening remarks.

President Ritter appointed Past President Grimes as Chairman of a new Wildlife Control Committee to prepare proposed legislation to better control deer populations that are causing serious damage to woodlands. The proposed legislation is to be ready for the Iowa Legislature by January 1. Additional committee members are Roger Howell, Terry Handley and Jack Miller. Ritter is seeking several additional members for this committee.

Ritter appointed Gnewikow as Chairman of the 1992 Annual Meeting Committee.

Ritter stated that he wanted regular written reports from his Committee Chairpersons.

The next Board meeting was set for  $10\,\mathrm{am}$  January 11 at the Grimes Law Offices in Marshalltown.

Moved by Grimes, seconded by Handley to adjourn. Motion carried. (Time was 12:10pm)

Respectfully submitted,

Eugene O. Frye, Secretary