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MINUTES OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

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Indianola, Iowa

The meeting was called to order at 10:04am by President Ritter. Present were Vice President/Director Handley, Treasurer/Director Alman, Secretary/Director Frye and Directors Gnewikow, Grimes, Harman, Barbara Quade (representing John Quade) and Yocom. Also present was State Forester Bill Ritter.

Minutes of the IWOA Board Meeting of February 28, 1992 were read and approved.

Treasurer's Report was distributed, and after short discussion, President declared Treasurer's Report approved as presented.

President called for a report from the State Fair Committee chaired by the Quade's. B. Quade recommended that we continue to have a booth this year in spite of the fact that the previous complimentary tickets for personnel tending the booths have been eliminated. (It was reported that the State Tree Farm Committee is not supporting a booth this year for this reason) Potential displays were discussed. B. Quade recommended that we have a number of samples of leaves, "splits" and "tree cookies" of native Iowa woodland trees utilized in manufactured products. Handley agreed to work up such samples. Quade also suggested that we give out 10 1-year complimentary memberships in IWOA rather than our traditional bird houses. Moved by Grimes, seconded by Alman that the Quade's be authorized to give out 10 free 1-year Associate Memberships in IWOA at this year's State Fair. Motion carried.

Moved by Grimes, seconded by Harman that the Quade's be authorized to purchase four tickets per day for the 10 days of the Fair, at an advance purchase price of \$2.50 each to be used by those tending the IWOA booth. Motion carried.

Moved by Handley, seconded by Yocom to authorize purchase of two more aprons for use by those tending the booth. (IWOA is currently short two aprons) Motion carried.

President called for a report from the Legislative Committee chaired by Grimes. Grimes reported that after the ISHS meeting in February, he is coordinating the interested constituent members of ISHS to pool their efforts in attempting to get something done about animal damage to horticultural crops. He reported that it is estimated that five million

dollars of damage was done last year to horticultural crops alone last year by animals. This does not include the extensive costs associated with deer-automobile accidents or other damages. He reported that there are now underway some experiments to attempt to quantize animal damage to selected orchards, garden crops, etc. in the Iowa City area. Waterloo is conducting similar experiments. A spirited discussion ensued. The question of "What are the goals of the Legislative Committee" was raised. President directed the Legislative Committee to continue its work, and to attempt to clarify its goals.

The Quade's volunteered to handle IWOA's relationships with the FFA organization.

Gnewikow reported on the status of the arrangements for the 1992 Annual Meeting, and presented draft meeting registration forms. This meeting will be held in conjunction with the Walnut Council's 1992 Annual Meeting, and will be headquartered at the Amana Holiday Inn just off of I-80. The schedule for the IWOA portion of the meeting was set as follows:

- o IWOA BOARD Meeting, 1-4pm, Sunday August 2, in the South Amana Room.
- o IWOA Board Member and Spouse Dinner, 4-5pm August 2.
- o IWOA General Membership Meeting, 5:30-7pm August 2.

Edie Alman, Margaret Handley and Arlene Ritter agreed to work at the Walnut Council/IWOA registration desk.

Gnewikow stated that he needed four IWOA people to help with tours, etc. Gnewikow and Frye are to work out the meeting registration forms to be sent to IWOA members. Goal is for them to be mailed before June 1.

Bill Farris reported on the current state of Forestry affairs in Iowa.

- o The Stewardship Incentive Program (SIP) is in effect now, with grants to start next spring.
- o State REAP funds next year are to be about \$10M total (about \$1.5M forestry), or roughly the same as last year.
- o Another CRP signup is anticipated this June, and many cooperators will probably convert their contracts to trees, which extends them for another five years.
- o The State Forest Nursery facility at Ames has survived yet another attempt at selling it.
- o The state Forestry appropriation is to be reduced next year by \$175K, or over 10 percent.

Alman reported that as a result of a personal misadventure, he discovered that it is currently illegal in Iowa give away rooted stock of "wild" trees from ones own property without inspection (at a \$30 fee) by a qualified IDALS representative. He recommended that IWOA propose legislation to correct this problem. After discussion, Frye was directed to publish a Basic English summary of the legislation and administrative rules pertaining to the problem in the next issue of the IWOA Newsletter and to solicit members wishes on pursuing remedial action.


President appointed Handley as Chairman of the Nominating Committee for 1992 Board members. Terms expiring are those of Frye, Miller and Yocom. At least four candidates are sought for the three open positions.

Handley agreed to serve as Membership Chairman.

Next Board meeting was set for 1pm August 2 at the South Amana Room of the Amana Holiday Inn.

Moved by Handley, seconded by Yocom to adjourn. Meeting formally adjourned 12:36pm.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Eugene O. Frye". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Eugene O. Frye
Secretary