



Eugene O. Frye, Secretary
2735 Fourteenth Avenue
Marion, Iowa 52302-1848
319-377-2540

BOD93328.DOC

March 28, 1993

MINUTES OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING

March 27, 1993
Marshalltown, IA

The meeting was called to order by President Bill Ritter at 10:00am. Present were Directors Fogle, Frye, Gnewikow, Grimes, Handley, Hansen, Harman and Mensinger. Also present were State Forester Bill Harris and State Horticulturist Dan Cooper.

Minutes of the Board meeting of November 7, 1992 as distributed by Secretary Frye were declared approved.

Treasurer Mensinger distributed copies of the Treasurer's report covering the period 10/1/92 to 3/5/93. Moved by Frye, seconded by Grimes to approve the Treasurer's report as distributed. Motion carried.

Grimes, Chairman of the Legislative Committee, reported on its activities. Meetings were attended with DNR on November 17 and December 2. DNR's stand is that it wants to deal with animal damages to high-value crops on an individual basis. On March 4, DNR proposed new deer season rules which would award qualifying landowners special, transferable, antlerless deer licenses. A public hearing on the matter will be held 10:00am April 24 at the Wallace Office Bldg. Auditorium. Cooper stated that we must be at the hearing, and encouraged those who cannot be to write their comments to the DNR Wildlife Bureau, Wallace Office Bldg, Des Moines, IA 50319. Secretary was directed to summarize the situation in the upcoming IWOA newsletter.

Farris asked if IWOA would man a booth at the July 26 meeting of the National Association of State Foresters (NE division). Board was in general agreement that we should do so. Hansen agreed to put together an IWOA poster.

Cooper described briefly the Iowa State Horticultural Society awards program. Board agreed that a suitable digest of the program should be carried in the next issue of the IWOA newsletter.

Board would like John or Barbara Quade represent IWOA at the FFA Awards presentation in Des Moines April 2.

Mensinger reported on tentative arrangements for the 1993 IWOA Annual Meeting near Clinton, IA, and distributed brochures on the Best Western Motel in the area, feeling that it was the best choice for a group such as IWOA. Various activities were discussed. Moved by Frye, seconded by

Grimes that Mensinger be authorized to reserve accommodations for the Annual Meeting at the Clinton Best Western for the dates of September 10-11, September 17-18 or September 24-25. Motion carried. Mensinger was directed to pursue activity arrangements, which could include tour of a historic mill in the area, tour of a walnut plantation, and a banquet speaker. Frye agreed to arrange the technical part of the meeting.

Cooper suggested that the 1995 IWOA Annual Meeting be a joint affair with the Christmas Tree growers.

Arrangements for the 1993 Iowa State Fair August 19-29 were discussed. It was agreed that the Quade's and Harman would do the booth, Handley will line up personnel to man the booth and Mildred Grimes would procure the necessary tickets.

Cooper discussed ISHS's new building and plans for landscaping and decorations. He would like some wooden tables and benches from IWOA in addition to a pictorial display. Ritter agreed to serve as IWOA contact with ISHS.

Cooper described the ISHS Annual Meeting scheduled for July 31 at the Pleasant Valley Nursery in Iowa City.

Farris reported on government activities affecting woodlands. There is currently legislative activity in Congress on the Endangered Species and Clean Water Acts. There is a bill in the Senate and House to elevate the Environmental Protection Agency to cabinet level. The Reforestration Act has a number of provisions relating to timber taxes. There is a bill to require Federal agencies to take private property rights into account in legislation and regulations. In Iowa it appears that the REAP funding will be cut from 8.5 million to 6.2 to 7 million dollars this year. DNR has filed notice of intent to increase the prices of State Forestry Nursery stock about 10% due to increased costs. There is plenty of White Oak and Walnut stock this year. He concluded by stating that because of funding limitations, DNR needs to cut back on woodland landowner services, and may not be able to continue the practice of District Foresters marking trees for sale by landowners.

Moved by Handley, seconded by Hansen to approve the actions taken at the November 7 Board meeting, where a quorum was not present. Motion carried.

Next Board meeting was set for June 12 at Marshalltown.

Meeting adjourned at 12:08pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Eugene O. Frye
Secretary