

IWOA Minutes 05/24/2023
Amana, IA

Meeting was called to order by chairman Phil McCune at 4:15 PM. Other board members present were Russ Glime, Paul Millice, Al Wagner, Al Walter, Tim Meyer, Ed Kocal and Craig Semler.

Motion made by P. Millice/ 2nd Al Wagner to approve minutes from both 12/1/2022 and 02/19/2023 meetings. Motion carried.

Motion made by Al Wagner/ 2nd E. Kocal to pursue a change in the bylaws to simplify the membership categories by eliminating the category of associate member and allowing all members to vote. Therefore there would be no non-voting members. Motion carried.

It was recommended that we recognize large contributors and past presidents at our annual meeting.

Financial report - motion made by P. Millice/ 2nd Al Wagner to approve. Motion carried.

Scholarship - motion by Semler/ 2nd A. Wagner to discontinue funding the IWOA scholarship through ISU. Motion carried.

Today's field day at Amana was highly successful with around 120 attending. It was recommended to pre-register for future field days and find out which registrants are not IWOA members so we could possibly target our membership recruiting.

Fall field day might possibly be in September at Ledges State Park.

It was the general consensus to create a fact sheet regarding the Iowa legislature's proposed changes to the timber reserve act and start our campaign sooner.

Motion by P. Millice/ 2nd E. Kocal to give special recognition to Jim Obradovich and Billy Beck for their efforts on the behalf of the IWOA. Motion carried.

There was a brief discussion regarding the interpretive trail at the Iowa State Fair Ground. Motion by T.Meyer/ 2nd Al Walter to not invest any more time, money and energy into the project. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM.

Craig Semler, IWOA secretary

