

IWOA MEETING MINUTES HELD AT AMANA 07/10/2025

The meeting was called to order by President Phil McCune at 10:00 A.M.

Other board members present were Tim Meyer, Paul Millice, Steve Meyer, Ray Lehn, Ruth McAndrews, Ed Kocal and Craig Semler. Also in attendance were Tom and Sherri Sisson, and David Solberg.

Minutes from 04/23/2025 meeting - motion by T. Meyer/ 2nd Kocal to approve Carried Financial report - moved to approve by T. Meyer/ 2nd Kocal Carried

The current CD comes due in a couple of days. Motion by Semler/2nd T. Meyer to add funds from our checking account to the CD (~\$15,500) to bring total to \$20,000. Then invest ½ in a 6- month CD and the other ½ in a 12-month CD at the Charles City bank with the best rates. Motion Carried Motion by Kocal/2nd

S. Meyer to begin the process to change membership billing from January or July to every month. This is a result of a request from our membership secretary. This will require a change in the bylaws.

Motion by T. Meyer/2nd Lehn to take out an insurance policy as proposed by Tom Sisson for liability coverage for the board members and officers at an annual premium cost of around \$1,500 with the likelihood that an umbrella coverage would be added for additional cost. Carried

Motion by McAndrews/ 2nd S. Meyer to continue to pursue 501c status. Carried 12 McAndrews will help Semler regarding the non profit status.

Fall Field Day - Phil McCune offered to use his 90 acre property near Grinnell. The first choice would be the last week in September. The second choice would be in the middle of October.

The nominating committee will consist of Millice, S. Sisson and T. Meyer. Terms end for Semler, Kocal and S. Meyer.

Motion by Millice/2nd T. Meyer to allow Kocal to purchase a sound system for \$300 or less. The main purpose would be for use at our field days.

Kocal will order more shirts and caps.

Regarding increasing IWOA membership - T. Meyer and David Solberg presented methods which could improve our odds of increasing membership. T. Meyer and Kocal will check for someone who could promote the IWOA.

Millice was wanting to know if we should continue our presence at the Iowa Deer classic. It was the general consensus to continue but possibly with a slightly different approach.

Forest Reserve - it passed the Iowa Senate a few months ago so it is still "live." We need to target our State Representatives.

T. Meyer reported that Jason Meyer with the white oak initiative will be at Amana August 27.

Meeting adjourned at noon.

Craig Semler, IWOA Secretary