

**Annual Meeting Minutes**  
Wisconsin Wildlife Federation  
7-9 April 2006  
Tomah, WI

Members present: Russ Hitz, Larry Freitag, Bob Miller, Joe Zanter, Paul Sussek, Art Seidel, Sue Meyer, Tashina Meyer, Brian Peplinski, Carl Hujet, Ralph Fritsch, Dan Gries, Jim Gleash, Phil Enders, Jim Pierner, Doug Burrows, San Nichols, Eric Uram, Jake Macholl, Chuck Matyska, Gunnar Lindo, Steve Lindo, Betty Schneider, Jim Spielbauer, Jack Nissen, Leo Jencen, Peter Zuba, Steve Pease, Jerry Knuth, Dave Verhage, Marj Roach, Mary Cassidy, Larry Vanderhoef, Lee Sillars, John Wetzel, Don Hammes, Bryce Ruddock, Ed Schmidt, Rick Lazarczyk, Ken Barbian, Norbert Moes, Don Bongle, Lois Bongle, Gary Lang, Charlie Brown, Carolyn Brown, Lori Lang, Ruby Schoenharth, Barb Peterson, Dorothy Behr, Susan Matzat, Earl Titze, Burt Bushke, Arnie Mueller, Allan Amundson, Connie Pribnow, Susan Foote-Martin, Marc Smith, Bernie Meyer, Dave Chingway, Jim Huhn, Dick Baudhuin, Charles Metzger, Dan Clark, Paul Staplemann, Dave Dwyer, Matt Harris, Jim Wareing, Ray Ksicinski, Mel Tess, Craig Pokwinski, Jeff Mangless, Russ Meyer, Ruth Ann Lee, Corky Meyer, George Meyer, Lil Pipping, Laura Huber

Members excused: Jim Weishan, Bob Kirk, Matt Schuler, Doug Kurth Sr., Harry Katchur, Roger Borkowski, Roger Anderson, Lori Bohm

Guests present: Danielle Lebeck, Marilyn Matyska, Bill VanderZouwen, Randy Stark, Mike Staggs, Bob Mather, Louise Clemency, Mike Brust

Meeting called to order by President Corky Meyer at 9:00 AM.

Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence. Announcements.

Motion by Russ Hitz and second by Larry Vanderhoef to accept the meetings of the 2005 annual meeting. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report presented by Laura Huber. See written report. Motion by Jerry Knuth and second by Betty Schneider to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Randy Stark WDNR warden distributed a law enforcement strategic planning questionnaire.

Presentation by Governor Jim Doyle followed by signing of 10 bills. (the Wildlife Violator Compact, Resident Hunting and Fishing Licenses for Members of the Armed Forces, Trapping Reciprocity, Bows used for Hunting, CWD Disposal Agreements, Management of Double Crested Cormorants, Commercial Fishing Regulations, Hunter Education Requirements, Hunting in School Forests, Bow Fishing at Night.)

National Wildlife Federation Report presented by Marc Smith. Video celebrating NWF's 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary was shown. Marc reviewed the history of conservation funding and discussed the need for additional funding for non-game sources (Teaming with Wildlife state wildlife grant.)

Presentation by Congressman Ron Kind. Two awards were presented to Congressman Kind.

#### Breakout Session I

Congratulations to art contest winner Ruth Amundson-McNally!

Motion by Jack Nissen and second by Bob Miller to accept the Wisconsin Bowhunters Association as a new WiWF state affiliate. Motion carried unanimously.

Presentation on the WOA Youth Summit by George Meyer and call for volunteers.

#### Committee Reports

Ralph Fritsch and George Meyer testified against AB 1129 last week. Motion by Ralph Fritsch and second by Larry Vanderhoef to endorse this testimony. Motion carried unanimously.

Legislative Report presented by George Meyer. Complete report to be published in May's *Wisconservation*.

Motion by Ralph Fritsch and second by Betty Schneider to develop a WiWF Hall of Fame beginning in 2007. Motion carried unanimously.

#### Committee Reports, continued

Spring Hearing question 55 - non-toxic sinkers, etc. are available for the same cost as lead. Please vote in favor of voluntary use of non-toxic tackle.

Three resolutions were read.

Motion by Ralph Fritsch and second by Jim Baldock to allow the reading of Emergency Resolution #1 "Global Warming." Motion carried. Emergency Resolution #1 has been renumbered Resolution 4.

Motion to adjourn by Chuck Matyska.

Officers and Directors met in order to elect the new officers and associate directors.

Motion by Jerry Knuth and second by Dan Gries to accept Corky Meyer as president. Motion carried.

Motion by Jerry Knuth and second by Betty Schneider to cast a unanimous

Motion by Jim Baldock and second by Rick Lazarczyk to cast a unanimous ballot for Lil Pipping for first vice president. Motion carried.

Motion by Rick Lazarczyk and second by Connie Pribnow to cast a unanimous ballot for Jack Nissen for second vice president. Motion carried.

Motion by Jim Baldock and second by Dan Gries to cast a unanimous ballot for Laura Huber for treasurer. Motion carried.

Motion by Laura Huber and second by Rick Lazarczyk to cast a unanimous ballot for Kate Hau for secretary. Motion carried.

Motion by Jim Baldock and second by Larry Vanderhoef to cast a unanimous ballot for the list of 12 associated director nominations. Motion carried.

Motion by Doug Burrows and second by Connie Pribnow to elect Al Phelan to District 10 director. Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn.

Annual Meeting Day 2 - 9 April 2006

Present: Bob Miller, Larry Freitag, Larry Vanderhoef, Mary Cassidy, Chuck Matyska, Jake Macholl, Danielle Lebeck, Gunnar Lindo, Steve Lindo, Norbert Moes, James Gleash, John Wetzell, Don Hammes, Allan Pribnow, Connie Pribnow, Carolyn Brown, Charlie Brown, Marj Roach, David Verhugue, Jim Baldock, Jim Spielbauer, Jack Nissen, Leo Jencen, Peter Zuba, Steve Pease, Jim Huhn, Dave Chingway, Betty Schneider, Allan Amundson, Linda Amundson, Arnie Mueller, Burt Bushke, Susan Foote-Martin, Dorothy Behr, Susan Matzal, Ralph Fritsch, Jim Wareing, Ray Ksicinski, Mel Tess, Dan Gries, Sue Meyer, Ruth Ann Lee, George Meyer, Corky Meyer, Lil Pipping, Laura Huber

President Corky Meyer called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

Announcements.

Annual meeting 2007 will be held at the Holiday Inn and Convention Center in Stevens Point.

Resolution 1 "Brook Trout Regulation Change" - Brule River was read. Motion by Jim Gleash and second by Rick L to accept the resolution as read. Motion to table the resolution and send it to the Inland Fisheries Committee by Jim Baldock and second Lil Pipping. Motion carried.

Resolution 2 "Loss of Sporting Opportunity on Federal Lands" was read. Motion by Jim Gleash and second by Chuck Matyska to support this resolution as read.

Motion to amend per the recommendation by Jim Baldock and second by Jerry Knuth.  
Motion carried.

Motion to adopt the amended resolution carried unanimously.

Resolution 3 "Venison Donation Program Funding" was read. Motion by Rick Lazarczyk and second by Connie Pribnow to support this resolution as read. Motion carried.

Resolution 4 "Global Warming" was read. Motion by Jim Baldock and second by Jerry Knuth to support this resolution as read.

Motion by Jack Nissen and second by Lil to accept the recommendations to paragraph 10. Motion failed.

Motion to adopt the resolution. Motion carried.

Recommendation was made by the Brown Co. to distribute the adopted resolutions to all of our affiliate clubs.

Old Business

Request was made to find the resolution passed by WiWF on nuclear power under Jim Wareing's presidency.

New Business

Clubs are encouraged to join the Wisconsin Conservation Hall of Fame and to attend the upcoming induction ceremony on 22 April 2006.

July 8 is the "grand re-opening ceremony" at the MacKenzie Environmental Education Center in Poynette. All are welcome!

Motion to adjourn by Jim Baldock and second by Dave Verhage.

Minutes Submitted By:  
Laura Huber, Treasurer