

2013 Annual Meeting of the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation held at Hotel Mead, 3120 8th
St., Wisconsin Rapid, Wisconsin April 12th – 14th, 2013

Saturday, April 13th, 2013

Chuck Matyska called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. This was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence for those members who have passed.

All attendees introduced themselves and attendance sheets were circulated.

Ralph Fritsch and Jerry Knuth past presidents, presented a meeting orientation, and concerning Committee activities and what are expected from them.

Chuck Matyska presented the applications of two new clubs, Underhill Sportsman Club, Gillett and Kamo (Kids and Mentors Outdoors) Neenah. Norbert Moe made a motion to accept their application, seconded by Ken Barbian, motion carried unanimously. George Meyer discussed their purposes and suggested inviting them to the June meeting. Charlie Brown made a motion to invite them to the June meeting, seconded by Larry Laehn, motion carried.

Lil Pipping made a motion to accept the minutes from last year's annual meeting, seconded by Dave Taylor, motion carried.

President Chuck Matyska gave his final report, which is attached

Pat Ramirez Treasurer gave an overhead pie report of the 2012 year end treasurers report. Motion made to accept the report by Roxanne Taylor, seconded by Larry Laehn, motion carried. Larry Laehn encouraged donation to the Endowment Fund and he is working on a lifetime membership.

DNR Executive Assistant Scott Gunderson was our Keynote Speaker and spoke on many issues, including MacKenzie Education Center, deer management, wolf management, and the cougar issue, High School Trap Teams, which is growing and includes shooting ranges. A question and answer session followed.

Lil Pipping, Committee Chair, discussed the Conservation Leadership Corps meeting in Missouri and introduce Leah McSherry our Local Coordinator. Leah gave a presentation of our Conservation Leadership Corps and also discussed the meeting in Missouri with their Corp, discussing their working on resolutions at their meeting. Applications have been sent out to high schools and colleges for members on our Corp but only one application has been received. George asked that everyone get the word out for students to apply.

Executive Director George Meyer announced he will be continuing his work with the organization for the next two year. He thanks all of the board members in their efforts towards the MacKenzie situation. He and Don Hammes attended the bidding meeting held at MacKenzie. George discussed this issue in more detail under Old Business, Sunday. He discussed legislation issues concerning hunting in parks, wolf issues, and hunting with dogs, water, and mining. The August meeting will be in Ashland, taking a tour of the mine is included with the meeting. We will be leaving Stevens Point on Friday at noon and returning on Sunday.

NWF Regional Representative for Minnesota, Michigan, Wisconsin and Indiana, Jason Dinsmore praised the WWF for their amazing work. He discussed issues concerning these states. NWF did give WWF a

grant for \$4,600 for our new youth program. He was glad to see so many young people at this meeting. We need to get more youths involved in our organizations. Jack Nissen thanked them for the grant we received.

Executive Director George Meyer and Carolyn Brown presented the resolutions and a brief discussion followed.

Lunch was held and the gun drawing was made and a vote on the print was taken.

1:00 pm. - Breakout Session #1 (Timberland) - Wolf Management - DNR Wildlife Bill Vander Zouwen and Deer Management - DNR Wildlife Management Eric Lobner

2:15pm - Breakout Session #2 (Timberland) - Walleyes for Tomorrow Stocking Program, WWF Board Member and WTF Board Chair Mike Arrowood

Meeting resumed

The resolutions were discussed and all were passed.

Delegates adjourn (WWF Board of Directors met to elect Officers & Associate Directors)

Ralph Fritsch, Past President moderated elections. Officers were nominated and votes taken. Officers elected are as follows:

President - John Wagner

1st Vice President- George Borchert

2nd Vice President - Bill Tollard

Treasurer - Pat Ramirez

Secretary - Carolyn Brown

Rick Lazarczyk moved to recess, seconded by Larry Laehn, motion carried and the meeting was recessed at 4:10