

Iowa Women in Natural Resources
Executive Board Meeting Minutes
May 9, 2005

The board meeting was called to order @ 1 PM.

Board Members Present: Meggan Daniels, Jacklyn Neely, Elaine Hammer, Karen Osterkamp, Theresa Shay, Amber O'Neill, Lori Eberhard, and Deb Howe.

Minutes & Agenda: Lori moved to accept the minutes; Elaine second; passed.

OJ: June camp is full; July is almost full and will most likely be within the week. There are enough chaperones for the June camp but July could use a few more. The DNR seasonal naturalist may be a resource to help fill the gap. Joli had a question about putting SOAR's logo on the shirts since they do not charge for the program (it is usually a \$75 fee). There was discussion on if we put one logo on the shirt for donations do we need to start putting everyone's logo that donates anything. The consensus was to leave the 3 major sponsors on the shirt and thank the other donations in other ways, such as having the girls make them a thank you.

The camps this year will have a Wild Game Feed coordinated by Michelle Wilson and Andrea Eversizer. Andrea is working to have other adult female PF members there to cook and visit with the girls.

Joli sent out an email with the agenda and speaker list (not all board members received this email but it will be forwarded on). Most of the speakers are lined up. Deb is concerned about being both the onsite coordinator and a speaker at the same time. She may need help or see if someone else can cover her speaking commitments.

2 weeks before the camps Deb will send a phone list to each board member to call 10-15 girls for a final confirmation. This will hopefully reduce the amount of no shows.

The Packets were stuffed after the meeting. The June participants were mailed out right away and the Julys will be when the participant list is finalized.

Treasurer's Report: A report was handed out at the meeting. The OJ grand total as of May 9, 2005 was \$13,840.23. IWINR finally paid for the lodging for last years 1st camp, \$1380.00, and a bill for the second week is hopefully coming. The grand total for IWINR operation funds is \$6171.22. Karen moved to accept the treasurer's report; Jackie second; passed.

By-Laws: At the next annual meeting the membership will need to vote on removing the Family Membership from the by-laws.

Education: Next years conference has lots of volunteers to help plan and put-on! The conference will be held Feb 9-10, 2006. On suggestion is for training or education type program for the first day of the conference. A few suggestions were: Kay Newman and a wildlife rehab program, Fish Iowa!, HOFNOD & 4H Fishing, Project Wild and Project Learning Tree, Project Wet, NatureMapping, or Kinder Nature. A general session

presentation idea is having Denny Wiese or MO River Fisheries folks do a paddlefish program.

Elections: Amber, Jackie and Meggan were voted on for two year spots. Stephaine is taking Deb's remaining one year spot. We need to elect someone to take over Meggan's spot as she is moving to MI. The By-laws state that the board can appoint a new board member. Theresa was appointed and she accepted.

Finance: Nothing.

Issues & Legislative: See www.iowadnr.com for more information.

Long-Range Planning: Nothing.

Membership: There are currently 37 members. There are a lot of old members who have been receiving the newsletter over email. Jackie will send them the next newsletter with a warning that this will be their last unless they renew.

Newsletter: Articles are due June 21 (please note that this is during Project AWARE and Jackie will be away from her email until June 27), the newsletter will go out by July 21. The Theme will be Fishing and Water Safety.

Article assignments are:

Deb- Water Safety, dutch oven recipe

Jackie- Beach Monitoring

Lori- Family Fishing

Amber- Fishing in Parks

Karen- Women's Fly-fishing outing recap, fish recipe & incoming pres. Letter

Stephaine and Joli- OJ June recap

Theresa- member profile & Fish recipe

Meggan- outgoing pres letter

Future themes are:

October – Land & Harvest

January- Air: Quality, Birding, Astronomy

April- Fire: Prairies

Other issues:

Insurance: Need general liability insurance to cover board members in case someone was to sue. Need at least before conference.

Website: Terry showed us the new website. The address is www.hawkeyecollege.edu/facility/trojers/organizations/iwinr Jackie will check with Anne to remove the old website. The really old site is gone. The new address needs to go on the brochure and newsletter. We need to send info to Terry to post on the website.

Positions (* indicates member is re-electable when their term is up)

President: Karen Osterkamp (1 yr*)

Secretary: Jackie Neely (2 yrs)

Vice-President: Lori Eberhard (1 yr*)

Treasurer: Deb Howe

Members at Large: Amber O'Neill (2 yr*), Theresa Shay (2 yr*) & Stephaine Penniston (1 yr*)

Committees:

By-laws: Lori Eberhard

Elections: Lori Eberhard

Legislative: Deb Howe

Finance: Deb Howe

Long-Range Planning: Lori Eberhard

Education: Karen Osterkamp & Deb Howe

Membership: Theresa Shay

Recruitment: Theresa Shay

Newsletter: Jackie Neely

Website: Terry Rogers

Next meeting is: 1st week of Aug @ Decorah.

Lori made motion to adjourn; Deb second; meeting adjourned at 3:15 PM.