

IWINR Business Meeting
February 8, 2007
Lime Creek Nature Center, Mason City, IA

The board meeting was called to order at @ 10:15 a.m.

Agenda: Terri Rogers moved to accept the minutes; Theresa Shay second; passed.

Minutes: Approved; Liz Christensen moved; Terri Rogers second; passed

Treasurer's Report: We currently have about \$8,000 dollars right now in our account. Deb Howe had been in training so she didn't have copies of the report for people but would email one to anyone that wanted one.

By-Laws: Added to the ballot was to make OJ (Outdoor Journey for Girls) an actual committee for IWINR.

Education: The committee did a great job with this year's conference. Members were Karen, Amber (co-chair), Terri, Lori (co-chair) and Theresa. Volunteers are needed for next year. Lori as volunteered to help again and we have recruited Liz Christensen to help with what she can. Next year is our 20th year so we would like to move the location closer to the Des Moines area or somewhere around that part of the state. It will be a two day event. Any suggestions please let Lori or any of the members know.

Elections: We had two spots to fill, Theresa and Jackie have finished their terms. Running is Andrea Evelsizer, Meghan Wisecup and Anne Lynam. On the ballot is making OJ a committee and anyone who wants to be on the education committee.

Issues & Legislative: Liz Christensen talked about the Dock rules and that they had passed. Deer contraception was brought up and an article went out over the A.P. that was taken out of context. It is a costly process and not sure if the DNR will really use it. More information will be coming out in the next few months. There are some bills about local control on confinement farms and their size or growth. Kelly Myers gave an update on the Honey Creek Destination Park. There will be 108 room Lodge, single and family cabins, water park and a golf course that is Audubon Certified.

Long-Range Planning: Nothing at this time.

Membership: We currently have about 40 members. Theresa is stepping down as membership chair so we are looking for a new person to take over.

Newsletter: We need themes and articles for the next year. Anyone can write for the newsletter and it is available online at our website. Currently we have a recipe section, member profile and kids page in every issue. We would like to have a student section for student to write articles about projects they are doing.

OJ: Anyone interested in being on the committee please talk with Joli Vollers and she will set up a meeting. A third camp in eastern Iowa is being set up for OJ. It will be held at Hickory Hills Park run by Black Hawk County Conservation and will be July 17-19, 2007. It will be a smaller camp because there isn't as much cabin space as there is at Springbrook. The two camps will still be at Springbrook. Anyone interested in helping at any or all of the camps let Joli know. We are in need of chaperones, helpers and presenters.

Website: Tracy Fahrion is doing our website now and is doing a great job. Thank you to Terri Rogers who helped us until Tracy took over. Our address is www.iwinr.com

Terri Rogers moved to adjourn and Theresa Shay second.