

TMLIA

Minutes of 8/11/09

1. Board Members Present: Dick Rueckl, Diane Bassett, Dick Lamers, Lynn Engelhorn, Justin Kemp, Dave Spenle.
2. Committee Chairpersons: Dave Spenle, Dick Lamers, Glenn Engelhorn
3. Meeting called to order at 7:02, Dave Spenle led the meeting in Robyn's absence.
4. Two nominations were made and approved for the open board positions. George Brewe and Russ Ziebell.
5. George Brewe was nominated and elected to be our new Vice President.
6. Minutes of the July meeting were approved.
7. The Treasurers report was summarized and we have approximately \$23,000 in assets. One item to be resolved is the name of the second approval signature on Association checks. George stated that WCU can handle the dual required signatures.
8. The Politician's Pontoon Ride set for Aug. 30th was discussed. Pontoons volunteered will be Russ Ziebell, Ted DeZurik, Lynn Engelhorn, Bill Olson and Tom Kilton. It was suggested that the total membership be contacted for assistance in contacting the politicians to get them to come to our pontoon ride. Bill O. and Dick L. will work with Ted Ludwig to develop a paragraph w. Phone #'s to be sent to the membership this week. All board members are asked to be at Jakes at 1:30 on the 30th to prepare for the event.
9. Robyn to review the scheduling of the Board Training.
10. The annual meeting was reviewed and it was felt that attendance was down slightly but the overall exposure of the committees and the information shared that night was worth the effort.
11. The Annual Review of the Strategic Plan will be held on Sep. 15th at the Menomonie Library at 7:00. Everyone is welcome to attend.
12. Scott McGovern announced that he was awarded \$4,000 from Excel Energy for his work with students on stream monitoring.
13. Scott McGovern, Lois Flis and Peggy McAloon attended the sustainable Dunn weekend and displayed our information there as well as gained a couple more members.
14. The education committee will meet again on the 25th at the Westconsin CU East. at 7:00. Dave Spenle will lead the meeting.
15. George Brewe will research our potential of joining the Menomonie Chamber of Commerce and report at the next meeting.
16. The Membership Committee has not met.
17. Lynn reported on the Environmental Committee. Topics were "Restoration of Wetlands and Precipitation of Phosphorous, Nutrient Management. Next meeting will be on the 31st.
18. Robyn, George and Dick will work out who is going to speak at the Rotary meeting on 9/16.
19. Lynn reported on Farm Technology days in Waterloo WI. He'd like to find a way to educate our board and Association to the new farm technologies. The education Committee will look at this as a future project.
20. Robyn and Peggy attended the Mississippi Clean Water Caucus Review in Minneapolis. One of the publications we received as a result is the Grassroots Guide to the 2008 Farm Bill. Bill Olson is using it for his research.
21. Clean boats volunteer hours stand at 60 plus and we need over 100 by the end of the boating season. If you can help contact Lynn Engelhorn at 962-2162.
22. Lynn reported on his trip to Solar Bee Manufacturing plant in South Dakota.
23. The next meeting is Tues. Sep. 8th at the Tainter Town Hall.