## Iowa Division of the Izaak Walton League of America Iowa Division Board Meeting Minutes Saturday, November 18, 10:00 a.m. Des Moines Chapterhouse 4343George Flagg Pkwy, Des Moines, IA 50321

## 10:00 am Call to order

**Roll Call:** 

**Present** - Dale Braun, Craig Enneking, Lisa McIntyre, Rick Cerwick, Marj Striegel, Marion Striegel, Jay Samuelson, Rich Galloway, Bill Arnold, Craig McIntyre, and Mike Delaney.

Absent: Jan Carmer, Jack Johnson, Corky Simmons, Donny Ingle, Todd Pierce, Cheryl Kunch, Jim Meeks, and Aaron Staker.

We do have a quorum for a meeting.

Guest: Doug Pooch, Des Moines Chapter president.

Approval of 11/18/23 agenda motion made by Rick Cerwick and second by Rich Galloway, motion accepted.

Minutes of 8/26/23 – had no corrections needed.

Finance report – Craig Enneking

o Spend to Budget o McNurlen – Reporting and 2023 Investment Plan

Motion to accept finance report made by Rick Cerwick and second by Lisa McIntyre, motion accepted.

**Membership report for End of Sep 2023** – Iowa Division Count (6,472) as of 9/29/23 vs. (6,201) on 9/30/22. Membership as of 12/31/22 was 6,574. Unpaid members are 1,492 as of 9/29/23.

Of special note on September report:

· Ding Darling -only 2 members	• Ames -148 unpaid
· lowa County – only 4 members – (exempt from taxes)*	· Dragoon Trail- 211 unpaid
· Keokuk County- only 8 members (however they have lots	<ul> <li>Linn County – 167 unpaid</li> </ul>
of sportsman's club members, - not IWLA members)*	· Dubuque – 109 unpaid
· Dickinson County- only 9 members	<ul> <li>Warren County – 151 unpaid</li> </ul>
See more notes below *	<ul> <li>Emerson Hough – 169 unpaid</li> </ul>

## Old Business -

<sup>·</sup> Iowa Division Scholarship NTE \$2,000/year Lisa, Todd, and Mike D. – no update

· Alta IWLA Property update – Rick/Jack/Dale

• United Counties Chapter bank account – this is a chapter in Storm Lake that closed years ago. We learned that they still had money about \$6,000 that has not been claimed. We have this money now and will be used to help clean up the Alta property. – GuideStar.

· Green State Credit Union update – Rick said it would not be this year, another non-profit got it. Hopefully next year.

· Director/Chapter assignments per previous email - Dale

## **New Business**

2024 Budget discussion

 Iowa Division Outreach Coordinator position – Dale – this position is a contracted self-employed position for us and will be reviewed by the Iowa Division Board at the State Convention. The person hired for this position will report to the Iowa Division President. Motion made to hire Christine Curry for the position per the outlined job description and responsibilities for the Iowa Division Outreach Coordinator by Bill Arnold and second by Craig McIntyre. Motion accepted.

• Division lobbyist – Dane Schumann did a good job of keeping us all informed. Next session his expenses will stay the same, \$8.000.

· Website status – Aaron – none given Aaron gone.

• Chapter gun range safety – 3 River Chapter had an incident. Scott K. & Earl H. from nationals, any ranges that a chapter has, should have their own safety guidelines posted.

· Reports

o National– Dale – Leila Wiles passed away. The national building is filled with renters and has a new roof. Dale asked the question "What keeps you up at night about the Ikes?"

o President, VP's, Director's – Dale reported that \* Iowa County chapter does have 5 acreages of land but does not carry any insurance. We need to make sure all chapters have liability insurance if they have property land. He sent out 39 email surveys and only got back 4 responses, Ames was 1 of them. \*Keokuk County does not want to follow the IWLA By-Laws/rules. They only have 8 IWLA members, however the KC Sportsmen's Club is large and is using the IWLA. You type in in Keokuk Co. Izaak Walton League and you will get the membership application for the Keokuk County Sportsmen's Club, which was established in 2003, all monies and memberships are going to the Sportsmen's Club and not to the IWLA.

Lisa reported on the 2-day lowa Nature Sumit that was held at Drake that Dale and Lisa attended. Prof. Neil Hamilton and his group, in which Mike Delaney and Christine Curry were part of that group, did a fantastic job with all their speakers. Over 300 in attendance and 35+ speakers over the 2 days. Bud Hartley (Des Moines Chapter) was in attendance along with a few from the Panora chapter. When need to get IWLA folks to attend this summit next November 14 & 15, 2024.

Marion reported that he got the Louisa County Chapter an older flag and banner (yellow Izaak bust) that they still want to use. They do not want to fly the new logo. They also have a fish fry every Friday in December.

· Conservation report – Mike D. also reported on the Iowa Nature Sumit

· Legislative Update – Mike/ Rick/Dale

· Other

• Next Meeting date and location – January 13, 2024, January 20 will be back up. The location will be announced later.

· Adjourn (action item) motion made to adjourn by Rich Galloway second by Bill Arnold. Motion accepted.

Minutes taken by Lisa McIntyre