

## Midwest 4 Wheel Drive Association

Fall Meeting, October 11, 2014

Black River Falls, WI

Call to order at 1:52pm by President Mark White.

7 State Mission read.

Roll Call- sign in sheet distributed.

Secretary Report-Cindy Bahr

Approved as distributed.

Treasurer's Report-Given by Kert Peterson

Motion passed to accept as printed.

State Reports

- **Iowa** Nothing from Iowa.
- **Minnesota**
  - Huston project progressing slowly. There is an issue with the campground.
  - Cutting trails in the new Virginia area of Gilbert is slow.
- **Nebraska** ; no one in attendance
- **Wisconsin** given by Luana Schneider
  - Wisconsin is still looking for property closer to urban areas for an off road park. Near Menominee there are thousands of acres on the Wisconsin/Michigan border with OHV access. The middle section has official trails for four wheel drive vehicles, Luana was not sure how these trails were marked. You may view maps on the DNR website. Meanwhile in the Rome, WI area, the easement with Plum Creek will hopefully include 4WD vehicles.

Membership- Randy Hays not in attendance.

No report.

Insurance/Safety Meeting- Butch Chapin

-For those that may not know, if your club's membership is 100% paid into MW4WDA's membership, your club's events are covered under this policy which covers private land owners. Please contact Butch for more information.

-There are no claims against our shared policy. If there should be a claim, please call our agent and notify Butch. Sign waivers on each day of trail riding or of a club event.

-In Minnesota road insurance will not cover off road vehicles. A question was raised on how Wisconsin insurance would apply being that car insurance is mandatory. Would the policy be cheaper because of Wisconsin law?

UFWDA- Luana Schneider

-Motion passed to pay dues.

-Luana participated in a conference call meeting in early October and has a power point program that UFWDA put together. UFWDA is having issues with continuing the insurance program. The website has been down as there are some issues with it. The fiscal year will finish in the black. There is a new membership director and business manager. This is helping to free up some time for the President and Vice President as they have been doing most of the work.

Tread Lightly- No report.

Lake States Resource Alliance-

- Helen Wagner reported that this organization may dissolve in July 2015 if no one steps forward to fill the offices of President and other empty positions. The procedure to dissolve is left to the Board of Directors and not the membership of LSRA. Helen is going to do some checking into the bylaws and check on the process of dissolution. There are many restrictions on the logging industry and lots of hoops for them to jump through. OHV users may lose out if this connection to the timber industry is lost.

Blue Ribbon Coalition- Dues paid.

Website- Cindy Bahr

Cindy is the current administrator of MW4WDA's website. Any information to be posted should be sent to her, email is schibahr1@gmail.com .

Old Business- Mark White

-Spring W4WDA and MW4WDA Convention is tentatively set at Arrowhead Lodge in Black River Falls.

-Conference calling made available for meetings for members not present at meetings. possibilities will be looked into.

-Castana Ride, Butch said he would talk with the Iowa clubs that have joined MW4WDA to see if any of those members would be willing to help organize and work.

New Business-Mark White

- No new business.

Election Results

President-Mark White

Second Vice President- Dean Tabor

Both offices were elected by a white ballot vote.

Secretary- Unfilled and will be addressed at the spring meeting.

Spring Meeting/Convention

April 17-19, 2015 at the Best Western Arrowhead Lodge in Black River Falls, WI.

Adjourn-2:32pm

Respectfully submitted by Cindy Bahr