

Midwest 4 Wheel Drive Association

Spring Convention, April 21, 2013

Lacrosse, WI

Call to order at 9:08am by President Mark White.

7 State Mission read.

Roll Call-by Randy Hayes.

Secretary Report-Cindy Bahr

Accepted as distributed.

Treasurer's Report-Given by Kert Peterson

Other than one correction to report, motion passed to accept as printed.

State Reports

- **Iowa** no convention participants from Iowa
 - Orlin Clark reported that there were some folks from Iowa on Saturday to during the seminars.
- **Minnesota**
 - Orlin Clark commended Minnesota DNR for an awesome seminar that was held Saturday.
 - Houston OHV park is 35 miles from Lacrosse into Minnesota. The city/town of Houston is working on opening a campground adjacent to the park. There is also a horse camp/campground under private ownership that is next to the park.
- **Nebraska** ; no one in attendance
 - No response from the letter Orlin sent.

Wisconsin given by Luana Schneider

- Many positives at this point for OHV including the park in Forest County. For updates visit worvpi.org.
- Planning is in place for the Sauk Prairie Recreation Area, known as the Badger Ammunition Plant. This area would not be a park, but trails. Which is good because we need to start somewhere.
- RTP fund applications are due May 1, 2013.
- March of Dimes Four Wheelin With Feelin will be in the Minocqua/Arbor Vitae area October 5, 2013. Rod and Luana are retiring as rally masters after 35 years of dedication. Anyone interested in taking over the helm?
- Crandon International is hosting a fun filled Fourth of July weekend with lots of activities and camping.
- The Wisconsin DNR is still in search of a location for an OHV park. If you know of any areas please contact Luana.
- Refer to Luana's director's report for more information.

Membership- Randy Hays

There are 17 clubs and 321 individual members. All membership is down, but Iowa Jeep Club is way up.

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 and the premium is due soon. The premium is up \$102.50 from last year. A motion was made and passed to pay insurance premium. 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. A handout was provided for easy viewing.

UFWDA- Luana Schneider

The Annual General Meeting is in June in Colorado. There is a fundraising raffle for a 2012 Jeep Wrangler, tickets are \$25/each and will end December 31, 2013 or when all 4000 tickets are sold.

Tread Lightly-no report

Lake States Resource Alliance- no report

Blue Ribbon Coalition- no report

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 . Randy Hays will be able to facilitate a group email for distribution on any information.

New Business-Mark White

-Please offer WORVPI financial support in the form of individual memberships for \$10 and club/association memberships for \$100. Any membership purchased is tax deductible as it is a 501(c)3 organization.

-At this time reimbursement to officers has been suspended for travel expenses from the MW4WDA funds. This is not a by-law change, just voluntary by current officers. Your local club may offer assistance if you come as a delegate.

-Spring Convention 2014....need host volunteers. Location to be determined by host club(s). The weekend will have to be changed because of Easter and may consider when WOHVA's is. It was nice to have kids back this year. It was tough to decide which seminar to attend with 4 going at once. Thanks to Max Built for bringing their products for display, it was much appreciated.

-A fundraising opportunity came up for Monster Jams in Green Bay doing set up. Thanks to Sam Vandenberg and friends for helping, 5-6 people were needed Thursday through Sunday.

-A motion was made to raise membership dues \$1.00 to \$10 to help offset the rising cost of insurance. This motion was seconded and passed in a vote. Effective March 1, 2014 dues will be \$10/person.

-Any interest in helping at the ride in Castana July 4th? Contact Butch.

Elections Fall 2013

1st Vice President

Treasurer

Membership

Fall Meeting

At Days Inn Lacrosse October 19, 2013. General meeting at 1:30pm. Hosted by BorderLine 4X4 TrailSeekers.

Thanks Orlin, Ginny and clubs for a great convention!

Adjorn-10:45am

Respectfully submitted by Cindy Bahr