

Nebraska Section SRM Council Meeting January 31, 2013 West Central Research and Extension Center, North Platte, NE

Jon called the meeting to order at 10:13 am CST at the West Central Research and Extension Center, North Platte, NE. Those present in the conference room were Shelly Taylor, Jon Soper, Kristin Miller, Bob Broweleit, Daryl Cisney, and Angie Petersen.

Minutes: The previously distributed minutes from October 9th were reviewed. Motion to approve the minutes from October was made by Kristen Miller, seconded by Bob Broweleit. The minutes from June were approved.

Treasurer's Report: The balances of the two checking accounts and three CDs as of Jan. 30th, 2013 were as follows: \$10231.76 for the SRM account, \$6681.82 for the Range Judging account, \$6815.24 for the Nebraska Section CD, \$2568.53 for the HSYF fund, and \$6292.88 for the NE State Range Judging CD. Taxes have been filed for the 2012 year. An income of \$1452.52 was brought in from the NE Section Meeting in Ogallala in Oct. 2012.

Discussion was held regarding the Jim Nichols Memorial funds. Funds collected in memorial of Jim Nichols are currently included in and part of the SRM – NE Section account. This money was intended for use as scholarship money to youth involved in Range Camp and SRM, however this money has not been kept separate for these purposes other than through accounting records maintained by the Secretary/Treasurer. Angie Petersen proposed the possibility of looking into a possible separate account for these funds so that they are not misused and proper accounting takes place regarding these funds. After further discussion it was decided that Angie Petersen would look into possibilities regarding these funds following discussion with Jeff Nichols, Jim Nichol's son. While filing taxes, Angie Petersen also discovered in error regarding taxes paid to Shirt Tales, the company responsible for producing the NE SRM clothing previously sold by the Section. Angie will be contacting Shirt Tales to correct the error so that taxes can be filed correctly. Kristin Miller moved to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by Bob Broweleit. The treasurer's report was approved.

Committee Reports:

2013 Annual Meeting: Bob Broweleit reported that the meeting will be held at the conference center in Ainsworth, NE. The meeting will be Thursday, Oct. 10th and 11th. Discussion was held regarding where to conduct the evening Crazy Auction and Banquet activities, as well as a possible location for the council meeting on Wednesday evening. Several individuals have been assisting Bob

in helping with the planning and location. Nadine Bishop has also volunteered to help. Thank you to those individuals for their support and assistance. The Roadway Motel in Ainsworth has hotel rooms available for approximately \$60.00. Bob would like to put together a committee of individuals willing to assist in planning and set-up of the Annual Section Meeting. There was also discussion regarding the possibility that the Wildlife Society may be hosting their Annual meeting at a similar time. The emphasis for this years' Annual Meeting may be wildfire, considering the wildfire and drought conditions that occurred during the previous summer.

Nominations: No report.

Awards: No report

Range Camp: Shelly reported that Range Camp will tentatively be held June 10-14th this

year. It is also the 50th Anniversary of Range Camp