SWCS Council Meeting

WI-Chapter

Conservation Hall of Fame

March 15th, 2011

Meeting Called to Order: March 15th, 2011 10:00 am by President Andy Holschbach

Present: Andy Holschbach, President, Jerry Griswold, Past-President, Gene Hausner, Treasurer, Christopher Miller, Region 4 Rep, Jon Field, Region 3 Rep, Christine Bouzek, Region 2 Rep, Doug Sippl, outgoing Region 6 rep, Milo Harpstead, Conservation Hall of Fame

Secretary's Report: Minutes of the February 7th, 2011 meeting were approved. Motion by Griswold, 2nd by Field.

Treasurer's Report: Report given by Gene Hausner as of February 28th, 2011. Balance on all accounts total $19452.02. February 8th annual conference totals were as followed:

- Conference income: $5105
- Conference expenses: $4973
    - Net income: $132

Old Business: Andy thanked his committee for outstanding work on the annual meeting. 165 people attended. Most in recent memory. Most were non-members. Council Reviewed 2010 annual report and thanked Jerry for his fine work on it.

Wisconsin Delegate to 2011 International Conference: Adam Abel, President-elect has accepted nomination to be delegate to International Conference in Washington DC, July 17th-20th. Jerry Griswold, Ryan Gerlich and Andy Holschbach planning on attending, as well as Pete Nowak. $150 from WI SWCS goes to delegate.

Website and Newsletter: Amanda Crowe has graciously volunteered to be our new webmaster. Michael Stinebrink has done a wonderful job over the past 5 years. Deadline for articles to newsletter is April 18th.

Council Roles and Responsibilities: Andy passed out Sept. 1997 bylaws. Council reviewed and discussed. Motion by Miller, 2nd by Griswold for regional rep to spend up to $100/rep for SWCS promotional activities with president/treasurer approval. Motion carried.

Student Scholarships: Continued discussion from last meeting on student scholarships. Motion by Griswold, 2nd by Miller to continue to give out two $500 scholarships, one to UW-Platteville, one to UW-Stevens Point. Applications will be given to universities in beginning of fall semester. Applicants will have to be junior or senior in school and a member of SWCS prior to application submittal. Motion carried.

Vacant Region 6 rep: Joe Smedberg has expressed interest in vacancy. Motion by Field, 2nd by Miller to accept Mr. Smedberg as region 6 rep. Motion carried.

2011 Plan of Work: Continued discussion of potential fall tour in Calumet County; Miller continues to work on details. Group agreed sounds like an awesome tour. Discussed summer agronomic/soils workshop sponsored by SWCS with CCA credits. Field and Bouzek to work on. Potential partnering with WSPSS or ASA.

Meeting adjournment: Motion by Griswold; 2nd by Bouzek to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 12:10 pm. Next meeting set for July 27th, Conservation Hall of Fame, Schmeekle Reserve, UW-Stevens Point.

Respectively submitted by Jon Field