South Dakota Walleye Classic

Meeting Minutes

June 13, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Craig Mehlhaff. The following members were in attendance: Becky Randall, Bill Waeckerle, Steve Mann, Bob Heier, Lloyd Schlomer and Greg Yonkovich was on the phone.

A copy of the May 16th minutes was handed out to those in attendance. Bob Heier made a motion to approve and second by Bill Waeckerle. Motion carried.

The financial report was given by Steve Mann. Bill Waeckerle made a motion to approve and second by Bob Heier. Motion carried.

Old Business: 2024-gun drawing continues. Greg commented that most of the guns have been taken care of except for Kent Kramer.

Craig Has not heard from SD Outdoors magazine about our ad. Fish scale at Akaska Tav is not certified yet so Bill W. will call Webster again.

Old Business from floor: Craig will contact Ryan Persoon to make sure we don't have two permits out there for SDWC.

New Business: No coalition meetings scheduled at this time. Bill W. will let everyone know when a meeting is set.

Our new projector's ETA is June 17th but the protective cover will be shipped later.

Senior Fishing Day is lined up and ready to go. Bob Heier has 13 boats and 60 people attending.

We have 5 entries so far: 3 in \$400 category; 2 in \$300 category.

Craig donated a SDWC entry to Bowdle Healthcare fundraiser. The money raised this year will be used to repair breakroom at hospital and nursing home.

At this point we are ready for SDWC Tournament, Steve and Greg are getting extra prizes. Greg is getting 2 guns for the raffle during the tournament.

Craig started collecting sponsorships for 2025 calendars. So far, we have 7 calendar sponsors for \$3500; misc. fees \$1700; Craig has contacted all the previous sponsors except the local sponsors. Greg will ask AJ to get a gun list prepared for 2025 calendar by August 1st.

Craig is getting date changes ordered for the 2 vinyl banners.

New Business from floor: Bill has had inquires about constructing a new pier at the river so that people can fish from it. Bill will contact Ryan Persoon. Extra parking is being looked at also by GFP at the river.

Craig was also asked if we would consider changing the SDWC tournament to 1 day instead of 2 days. Many people have a hard time taking 2 days off from work. We will address this after the tournament.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Lloyd Schlomer and second by Steve Mann. Motion carried.

Next meeting will be July 11th, 2024 at 7:00pm.

Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by: Becky Randall

Secretary