

Kansas Association of Taxidermists

Drury Inn, Wichita, KS
Business Meeting
06 January 2019

The meeting was called to order at 9:59 A.M. by President Tim Stidham with 13 members and 1 Guest signing in

The meeting agenda and minutes of the 20 October 2018 were passed out, Don Rush motioned to accept them, Sue Penn seconds, both approved

Brian Sigman passed out copies of the Treasures Report. Sue Penn motioned to accept, Jerry Kissinger seconds, Approved

Reports:

Secretary Chris Hinshaw gave out updated Address and Phone number for website to be updated. If anyone had sent something to the old address, please resend to updated address.

Bryan Glaser reported that the Banquet deadline is March 11th.

President Tim Stidham brought up the issues with State of Kansas for taxes. We are currently suspended with the state, as of 2001. Brian Sigman did paperwork for the past 3 years, Tim has submitted the papers to the State to get us back on track. Costs to the state should be less than \$900, for fees/penalties. The IRS will not discuss anything until we get back in good standing with the State of Kansas. The IRS Suspended us in 2010 and we were revoked by the IRS in 2011. Not sure on what the cost will be to the IRS.

Everyone present took a quick tour of the hotel.

Old Business:

Second Scholarship for this years convention was discussed. Tom Bowman motioned to only have one scholarship this year, in lite of the pending penalties. Don Rush seconds, Brian Sigman opposed having a Scholarship based on knowledge of penalties, motion passed.

Matt Welsh Seminar was discussed. He wanted the KAT to cover his registration for him to put on a seminar, showing his technique for applying velvet to antlers. It is a new technique he has come up

with that can be used for other things as well, such as snow, flocking decoys, fixing the back of foxes ears, etc... It was stated that if we pay him, we would be going down a slippery slope, that we should not pay members to put on seminars. It was also stated that he is not a Kansas resident, but from Iowa, and will not be a permanent member of the association. After much discussion Don Rush motioned to not pay Matt to do the seminar. Gary Penn seconds, Brian Sigman opposed, motion passed.

Money Market Account was discussed by President Tim Stidham. Tim said that Michelle will come to the meeting in March to discuss with the KAT. Tabled for March Meeting.

Competition Room Trainee was discussed. If any one is interested, they should send their name to Tim. You can also contact Gary, Mike, or Jerry about what it all includes. Applicants will be selected by Gary, Mike, and Jerry.

Scribe Program- The 3HR time period will be held sometime on Friday.

New Business:

President Tim Stidham passed out the Tentative Schedule.

Discussion was held on Seminars, President Tim Stidham will have it in the newsletter.

Early Registration Deadline will be March 4th. Must be postmarked by March 4th to be in the early registration drawing. No additional banquet tickets can be purchased after March 11th. So if a packet is received after then, there is nothing that can be done.

Vendors for the show were discussed. President Tim Stidham will include those in the Newsletter

New Backboards will be bought and built this year by Jerry Kissinger

Awards budget was discussed, it was decided to give what was given last year. \$750 for awards and \$1500 for ribbons.

Banquet will consist of Marinated Grilled Chicken, Beef Tips, New Potatoes, and Cheesy Corn

Deadline for hotel reservations is Feb 18th. After that date, it is not guaranteed you will get the discounted rate.

Registration fee was discussed and raised \$10 dollars. Going from \$170 to \$180, due to the cost of

meals.

Convention duties were discussed and assigned.

Scholarship and Hall of Fame nominations need to be sent to President Tim Stidham before March 11th.

Clint Bowman motioned to go to 1 Hall of Fame Inductee, Sue Penn seconds, passed

The people's choice ballots will be tallied by Brian Sigman, Chris Hinshaw, and Jeff Rush this year.

There will be a 1st time attendee meeting Fri morning. Bryan Glaser volunteered to show them around and introduce them to people at the show.

There will be 6 board positions up for election this year. They are President, Treasurer, which are 2-year assignments. There will also be 1 each of Western, Eastern, and At Large Directors open.

Gary Penn Motioned to Adjourn the Meeting, Jerry Kissinger seconds, motion passed. Adjourned at 12:36 PM.

Next meeting will be 23 March 2019 at Drury Hotel, beginning at 2:30 PM.

Chris Hinshaw, Secretary

Members signed in:

Tim Stidham, Jeff Rush, Clint Bowman, Bryan Glaser, Chris Hinshaw, Brian Sigman, Gary Penn, Sue Penn, Tom Bowman, Don Rush, Kelly Ward, Mel Kincheloe, and Jerry Kissinger