



Washington Hunter Education Instructor's Association (WHEIA)

Meeting Minutes

January 13, 2018

Ellensburg, WA.

10:00am – 12:00pm

10:00am – Called meeting to Order.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Secretary's Report:

Review of previous meeting minutes.

Accepted X Revised _____

Treasurer's Report of Finances. Rick Thomason

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Membership Reports:

Kelly Kussman read membership report submitted by Alice Lewis.

Life Members=93, Honorary Members=3, 2020 Members=1, 2018 Members=58, 2017 Members=47, Associates=4, Landowner=1, **Total Members=207**

President's report:

Neal Houser read President's report Submitted by Ed O'Leary

WDFW Representative Report:

None Provided. No WDFW representative present.

Committee Reports:

No Committee reports provided.

Attendee introductions:

Neal Houser, Rick Thomasson, Aaron Everett, Peter Kilburn, Rick Webber, Jamie Price, and Kelly Kussman.

Old Business:**a) Large Trailer**

- Trailer repairs were coordinated through Sorine and Jamie Price to ensure the trailer would be safe and road legal.
- Sorine and Jamie Price, Neal Houser and Kelly Kussman met in Ellensburg on Sunday October 1st to review the overall condition of the trailer after repairs and provide a recommendation about keeping or selling the large trailer. The suggestion was unanimous to sell the large trailer and continue efforts utilizing the small trailer. A future review would be done to see if a second trailer would be needed in the future.
- Aaron Everett expressed his interest in potentially purchasing the trailer pending a valuation. Kelly Kussman offered to contact a trailer dealer and obtain the trailers retail value.

New Business:**a) Thank you, letter:**

- Kelly Kussman read a thank you letter addressed to Alice Lewis drafted by Ed O'Leary thanking Alice for her support of WHEIA, it's members and especially in assisting Ed.

b) Bank Account Access:

- Kelly Kussman Forwarded a notarized letter stating the names of the 2018 Board of Directors for WHEIA to set access rights to the President and Treasurer.
- An audit of WHEIA finances was requested and will be sought.

c) WDFW Website:

- Updated names and WHEIA contact information has been sent to be posted on the Instructor's page of the WDFW Website.

d) WHEIA Website:

- Jamie Price has been working to gain access to both the Go-Daddy account and the WHEIA website.
- Go Daddy account information has been obtained and updated contact information was provided.

- Jamie shared the login information with Kelly Kussman who agreed to assist Jamie with updating the website.
- Ideas were shared about what content should be placed onto the website once access has been achieved.
- e) Trailers: (Discussion tabled due to meeting time constraints and absence of President)**
 - Ed O’Leary has requested that both trailers be centrally stored at a secure site in Eastern Washington.
- f) Events (Discussion tabled due to meeting time constraints and absence of President)**
 - Washington State Fair
 - Evergreen State Fair
 - Wenatchee Fair
 - Online Field Course Evaluations
 - 2018 National Hunting and Fishing Day
- g) 2018 IST presence:**
 - Kelly Kussman placed a request to display the small WHEIA trailer at the IST Friday afternoon event.
 - Requests were also made for display table space and possibly some time on the official WDFW agenda.
- g) WHEIA Firearm raffle:**
 - A discussion about holding a raffle for a firearm during the IST was brought forward as a fundraising idea.
 - Aaron Everett of Grumpy’s Gun Repair had several ideas, offered and ultimately secured a NIB (New In Box) Ducks Unlimited shotgun from his shop to be offered as the firearm to be raffled off.
 - Aaron offered his services to perform the on-site background check for the potential winner.
 - WHEIA will purchase the firearm and reimburse Aaron.
 - Kelly Kussman will seek permission from WDFW to hold the raffle during the IST and obtain a License to hold the raffle.
- h) State of WHEIA (Discussion tabled due to meeting time constraints and absence of President)**
 - What does WHEIA offer its members?
 - How does WHEIA move forward and support our Mission Statement?
- i) Board of Directors Planning Meeting (Discussion tabled due to meeting time constraints and absence of President)**

Date for Next WHEIA meeting:

Kelly Kussman will seek a meeting room and time to hold a WHEIA meeting at the Upcoming IST in Wenatchee on April 28, 2018. *(Meeting time and location to be announced).*

12:00pm - Meeting Adjourned.