

West Central Wardens and Superintendents Association
Annual Business Meeting
September 16, 2009

The business meeting of the West Central Wardens and Superintendents Association was held on Wednesday, September 16, 2009 in Saratoga, Wyoming. Board Members present were:

- Mike Murphy, President
- Terry Mapes, Past President
- Jessica Symmes, Vice-President (Treasurer/Secretary)
- John Thalacker, Administrative Assistant

President Mike Murphy presided over the business meeting which was called to order at approximately 11:30 am.

Treasurer's Report – Jessica Symmes - Bank balance after the close out of the 2008 conference was \$18,439.03. The total cost for the 2008 Conference in Iowa was \$12,840. Iowa raised \$17,050 in sponsorship revenue. Membership dues for 2008 totaled \$400 and registration fees raised \$1575. All 2008 conference expenses have been paid and all registrations and members paid.

Projections for current conference (2009) in Saratoga, Wyoming: Estimated conference expenditures are \$14,150. Projected revenues: Sponsorships: \$7,750; Registrations: \$1050 and membership dues: \$525.

Update: There are still some outstanding expenditures to be paid and 4 unpaid registrations. A preliminary treasurer's report will be submitted and a final report submitted when the conference is closed out.

Old Business: No old business topics were raised.

New Business:

- Motion by Don Redmann, s/by Scott Abbott to nominate Jessica Symmes as the next WCWSA President. Motion carried unanimously.
- Administrative Assistant John Thalacker provided some historical background on the WCWSA and discussed the value the organization has for wardens. He proposes developing a rotating, 7 year schedule to submit to nearby states in the hope of gaining a commitment from agency heads to encourage membership and conference planning. A written report from the assistant will be distributed.

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New Business continued:

- Motion by John Thalacker, s/by Tim Schuetzle to nominate Colby Braun as Secretary/Treasurer. Motion carried unanimously. Jessie Symmes will close out this year's conference and pass appropriate materials on to Colby Braun.
- Motion by Terry Mapes, s/by Steve Hargette to ask John Thalacker to continue to serve as the Administrative Assistant. Mr. Thalacker indicated his willingness to continue to serve in the capacity. Motion carried unanimously.
- The membership wishes to recognize and welcome new members Robyn Schmalenbegar from North Dakota; Dan Shannon and Eddie Wilson, both from Wyoming.
- The membership recognized the support and attendance of past WCWSA presidents, Don Redmann from North Dakota and Terry Mapes from Iowa. Your continued and visible support is appreciated.
- The member also recognizes and congratulates Diann Wilder-Tomlinson and Jerry Burt, Iowa and Terry Carlson, MN. All are former WCWSA members who have been promoted.
- WCWSA is saddened by the unexpected deaths of Lowell Brandt and Larry Brimeyer both from the state of Iowa. Our sincere condolences were sent to both families.
- Motion by Terry Mapes and Jessica Symmes, s/by Tim Scheutzle to grant honorary membership to Diann Wilder-Tomlinson, Iowa; Jerry Burt, Iowa; and David Crist, Minnesota. Motion approved unanimously. Honorary members who are not retired are subject to annual dues.
- President Mike Murphy expressed appreciation and gratitude to all the Wyoming staff who helped him plan and execute this year's conference.

The meeting was adjourned at 1200.

Additional Information: On Thursday, 9/18/09, incoming President Jessica Symmes previewed information about the upcoming 2010 Conference which will be held at the historic Water Street Inn in the beautiful river town of Stillwater, MN. The dates for next years conference are September 13 - 16, 2009. There are lots of activites for the whole family to do and see so spread the word and plan to extend your stay and enjoy the lovely St. Croix Valley.