

Western RC&D Bismarck, North Dakota January 27, 2004

Business Meeting Minutes

President Keith Kessler called the meeting to order.

- Roll call was taken with 33 voting members present
- Mike Williams, NE motioned to accept the agenda, seconded by Roger Bower, WY, Unanimously approved
- 2003 Business meeting minutes read by Secretary Alicia Toczek. Dave Jones, NE moved to accept minutes as read, seconded by Kent Rudeen, ID Unanimously approved
- Treasurer reports presented by Treasurer Bruce Kroetch, SD
Roger Bower, WY moved to accept the reports, seconded by Joe Leichtnam, SD Unanimously approved
 - 2003 Audit Report presented by Rex Winter. SD
Joe Leichtnam, SD moved to accept the report, seconded by Mike Williams, NE Unanimously approved
 - 2004 Budget presented by Bruce Kroetch, SD
Discussion included if this was a one year plan, do we have a business plan, can the \$12,000 be used for training including conference attendance, is this a pilot program. Paul Calverly 1st VP, ID explained in more detail and the vision for the \$12,000. Joe Leichtnam, SD moved to adopt the 2004 budget, seconded by Marwood Klein, ND motioned passed

Motioned by Mike Williams to appoint Roger Bower, WY to act as parliamentarian for this meeting. Seconded by Nellie Zion, CO motioned passed. President Kessler appointed Roger Bower.

- COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - Awards by Joe Leichtnam discussed goals
 - Information & Marketing by Joe. L discussed goals and recognized Kathy Dingman for her work on behalf of the Assn. on the Website
 - Site Selection by Roger Bower reviewed past. Present, and future sites. Invited all to Wyoming for 2005 at Casper, WY. 2006 site will be Colorado, 2007 Nebraska or Nevada or Utah
 - Natural Resources/Rural Development by Malcom Dell, ID recommend by-laws be amended to remove this committee due to lack of interest.
 - Quality Assurance by Kent Rudeen, ID discussed goals, purpose of \$12,000 budget item, review status of \$10,000 contract with the National Assn. for the Manuel.

All of these committees turn in written reports.

- Nominating Committee by Bruce Kroetch
Keith Kessler, NM for President by Joe Twitchell, ID seconded by Dave Jones, NE
Joe Leichtnam, SD for 2ndVP by Kent Rudeen, ID seconded by Sam Cunningham, UT
Megan Phillips, CO for Secretary by Mike Williams, NE seconded by Sam Cunningham, UT

There were no nominations from the floor. All nominations were unanimously voted into office. There being no other business the business meeting adjourned.
Submitted by Alicia J. Toczek 2003-2004 secretary