

WHA Meeting February 25, 2018

I. Meeting called to order by President, Mike Starshak

Present: Board Members-S. Naparalla, K. DeCramer, D. Niedermair
WHA Members-M. Niedermair

II. Approval of Agenda

Motion to Approve Agenda made by K. DeCramer, Second D. Niedermair. Passed unanimously.

III. Approval of 1/28/18 Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve K. DeCramer, Second D. Niedermair. Passed unanimously.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Account balance is \$2044.18

Naparalla turned in \$100 from nut cracker sales.

Motion to reimburse S. Naparalla \$77.25 Registration fee for Steven's Point Food Fair.

Motion made by D. Niedermair, Second K. DeCramer.

V. Secretary Position

Naparalla will write up job description for Media Manager to post in FB and website and send out another email along with link to January meeting minutes on the website.

VI. Media Manager

Naparalla reported that Heather Brown started Media Manager position February 1st and was making regular posts regarding nut cracking workshops, upcoming meetings and events and added our logo to the FB page and will begin work on our website.

DeCramer inquired when services were to be paid to Media Manager. Since she has started it was decided that she would be paid by check at the end of each month.

Starshak reminded everyone to complete their new or updated brochure by the next meeting date for final approval.

VII. Membership Discussion

To keep members and potential members more informed and the ability to be more involved WHA will post approved meeting minutes on the website. The Media Manager will also send out a group email with a link to the minutes and alert them to any call to action items from the latest meeting. Info will also be on FB.

VIII. 2018 WHA Calendar of Events/Appearances

A. Arbor Day -Update

The DNR is not able to provide hickory trees to 4th graders this year since their supply is already spoken for. We will need to make a request to them by Sept. and receive approval to acquire hickory seedlings.

B. Naparalla has Nut Cracking Workshops set up for 2/25 at Green Lake Library, 3/3 at Omro Library and 3/10 at the Berlin Library.

C. WHA will have a booth at the WeatherTech International Challenge in Elkart Lake July 21-22

D. Hickory will be one of the topics of discussion at the Northern Nut Growers Association Annual Meeting in Quebec Aug. 5-8. The speaker has sought out WHA to assist with information for the presentation.

E. Starshak will be a presenter at the Green Lake County HCE Conference on Oct. 3 at the Green Lake Conference Center.

- F. D. Niedermair was approached by an individual that is interested in planting a large number of trees on his property and possibly neighbors as well. He would like WHA members to look at the property to determine if suitable and acquire trees through WHA. Niedermair will set up a date in March for himself and Starshak to meet with the landowner.
- G. Other ideas discussed
 - a. Seedling digging day in Sheboygan
 - b. Spring Dinner at Vines & Rushes
 - c. Tour and dinner at Appleton YMCA to see the 100 trees they planted
 - d. Fall Outdoor Workshop location
 - e. Fall Feast possibly in Fox Valley Area

Starshak gave reminder that Grant Period runs through March and that time \$25/hr and mileage .545 per mile can be claimed for working WHA events and promotions.

IX. Announcement

- A. Treasurer K. DeCramer announced his resignation from the WHA Board as of May 1, 2018. He stated that he has enjoyed his time on the board and will continue as a member helping out but can not commit the time to the position at this time.

X. Next Meeting Date: **Sunday, April 8, 2018 9:00 a.m. Starshak residence

XI. Adjournment