

**Board of Directors Meeting
Ramada Inn Stevens Point, WI
December 12, 2008**

Call to order: 8:00pm

Lil Pipping recognized George Meyer for his recognition in Outdoor Life Magazine.

Lil Pipping stated that Patrick Feerick, of Feerick Funeral Homes, contacted her in regards to the deceased, Melvin Bouchonville, whose family has chosen, in his honor, for all monies received to be donated to the Wisconsin Wildlife Federation.

Treasurers Report: Laura Huber

Laura Huber handed out and presented the 2008 Cashflow and the 2009 WWF Budget Proposal December Draft III. See attached Cashflow and Proposed Budget. Motion by Don Hammes, second by Bob Miller to accept Treasurers Report. Motion carried. Laura Huber stated that Executive Committee had discussed Budget Contingency Plan, which included reducing the issues of Wisconservation and reducing hours in staffing. Dan Gries stated that it wouldn't be easy to reduce the issues of Wisconservation. Don Hammes stated that WWF has to look into rehiring a Development Director. Ruth Ann Lee handed out and presented MEEC Proposed FY 2009 Operating Budget. See attached Proposed Budget. Larry Laehn stated that WWF should look towards an endowment. Laura Huber asked Larry Laehn to inform her about Challenge the Outdoors' endowment. Motion made by Jerry Knuth, second by Rick Lazarczyk to move vote on 2009 WWF Budget Proposal December Draft III to the Saturday, December 13th meeting. Motion carried. Motion made by Corky Meyer, second by Bucky Kilishek, to move vote on MEEC Proposed FY 2009 Operating Budget to the Saturday, December 13th meeting. Motion carried.

Bob Miller asks for funding for Larry Vanderhoef to attend Wisconsin Council of Sports Fishing Meeting on March 21, 2009 in Franklin, WI. Bob Miller stated that this information could be useful for a breakout session for Annual Meeting in regards to getting someone to come speak about kids fishing. Lil Pipping asked Bob Miller to get prices and get back to Executive Committee before January 24, 2008.

Motion made by Dan Gries, second by Rick Lazarczyk, to approve up to \$300 for Ruth Ann Lee, on behalf of the Education Committee, to fix the education trunks. Motion carried.

Motion made by Rick Lazarczyk, second by Tom Nissen, to approve funding for Jack Nissen to stay overnight in Stevens Point, WI to attend Conservation Congress meeting on December 19, 2008. Motion carried.

Motion made by Jerry Knuth, second by Corky Meyer, to approve funding for Ralph Fritsch to stay overnight and food to be able to attend State Wildlife Annual Meeting and

for funding for food for a joint committee meeting between the Forests, Parks and Recreation and Wildlife Committees. Motion carried.

Presentation on Activities of Wild Ones: Donna VanBuechen

Donna VanBuechen, Executive Director of Wild Ones, gave presentation about the Wild Ones organization.

Submitted by Tom Nissen, Secretary, Wisconsin Wildlife Federation