

AGM December 11, 2011

President Shane opened meeting at 11:10 AM.

Sponsor recognition by Shane. Mentioned all the money and time given by the sponsors.

Shane gave a quick recap on the events and tournaments in 2011.

Financials gone over by Darryl Ward (Finance). Operating budget stands at \$11,444 and Fish Enhancement investment stands at \$41,913. SWT is very healthy financially and noted that worthwhile projects need to be found in order to spend some of the money in the Fish Enhancement budget.

Constitution and By-laws presented to the 23 members present and both were passed on a unanimous vote to be adopted as is. They are attached to this report.

The need for membership cards was discussed and it was decided that membership cards should be provided to members considering the number of sponsors that are providing discounts to members. Members need a way of identifying themselves. The new board will attend to obtaining membership cards.

List of executives and Directors at Large presented to the members attending. The executives were proclaimed as is by acclamation. As eleven names were submitted for consideration for Directors at Large they were voted on by ballot. Following are the new Executive and Directors at Large:

President - Shane Belter

Vice-President - Dave Deutscher

2nd Vice-President - Rob Furutani

Secretary - Mike Coupland

Finance - Darryl Ward

Communications - Dave Deutscher

Directors at Large - Cameron Jones
Craig Jasper
Dusty Smith
Julian Drouillard
Kerry McDowell
Lex Houdek
Shane Hasting
Terry Ewanchyna

Docks for the Rowan's tournament not yet paid as no bill has been received. Andre stated he would obtain the bill and forward for payment as per our agreement with the Regina Fish and Game League.

Poll on trail and tournaments presented by Dave and discussed. Noted that 70% of the 58 people responding to the poll were in favour of \$400 entry fees for each tournament + fish enhancement fee. Number of tournaments for the trail received the following votes: 4 with all counting 22%; 4 but 3 counting 20%; 5 with all counting 19%; 5 with best 4 38%. Poll on which lakes members preferred was overwhelmingly in favour of Ft. Q with just Echo/Pasqua being used (56%). Next highest was again Ft. Q with all lakes being used (43%). Then came Riverhurst (42%) and Lake of the Prairies (32%) – it was noted that these two tournaments already fill up and really don't need or probably want SWT involvement. The next best was Tobin Lake at 30% and Codette at 24%.

Shane advised that he has been in discussion with a Rotary club in Regina who would like to put on a tournament at Ft. Q as a fund raiser. However, they are new and would need assistance, at least in the first year, in putting it together. They do have ample man power and therefore should be able to do this tournament with guidance from a committee from the SWT. Andre volunteered to be on the committee, which would be a great help considering he is on the organizing committee for the Rowan's tournament. Mike made the motion that the Rotary Club of Regina run a tournament at Ft. Qu'Appelle on Echo/Pasqua Lakes only – seconded by Kerry McDowell and passed unanimously. It was expressed that we should try to have this put together for this fall. A committee will be struck by the new board to get this underway.

If this fifth tournament can not come on stream this year it was voted that we would go with the 4 tournament format with all four counting toward points.

Dave gave an update as our designate on the Fish Advisory Committee. There was some general things mentioned but the most noteworthy was the view that this committee had on barbless hooks. Their recommendations are not to make changes in this regard at this time.

Dusty Smith has volunteered to take over transportation of the scales and containers starting the 2012 season.

With thanks to Bocados for hosting the AGM Shane closed the meeting at 12:35 PM.

Att: SWT Constitution
SWT By-laws