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Steve Radcliff, Past President
Tom Lambert, Area II
Ryan Britt, Area III
Beverly Dometrorch, Area IV
George Engelbach, Area V
Ben Gorden, Area VI
Dan Greeson, Area VII
Mike Kelley, Area VIII
Henry Heinze, Treasurer
Peggy Lemons, Executive Director

Not Present

Bruce Biermann, Area I

President Kenny Lovelace welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 8:04 p.m. Quorum established by roll call. No revisions to the agenda.

The schedule for the 2014 Area Meetings was reviewed. The Program Office has put together a suggested time frame for the meetings including locations. They would like to do all 8 of them the week of July 14th. Colleen Meredith thought this might provide the opportunity for some of the meetings to start with breakfast but after discussion all those with a meeting scheduled for the morning felt ending with a lunch was better. Henry Heinze gave an updated list of those districts that have not paid full dues for 2014 (85 have paid in full and 1 paid partial). There will be elections in all Areas this year. According to the bylaws the slate of nominees needs to be available to the districts no less than 2 weeks prior to the meeting. The vote will be by ballot vote.

Nominations from the floor are accepted, however if the district the nominee is from has not paid their dues in full, they have 30 days from the election to get them paid. Ryan Britt did have some concerns about the location of the Area Meeting for Area 3 saying it was not very centrally located in the area.

Peggy gave an update on the planning for the 2015 National Envirothon to be held in Springfield, Missouri. The fund-raising is the main focus at this time. Since there is no national competition for 2014, Illinois is putting together a regional competition for the North Central states. The state registration is \$900 and the team registration is \$800 for this regional competition. A motion was

made by Mike Kelley to have MASWCD pay the \$900 state registration. Dan Greeson seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously (7-0). The Board provided some potential donor suggestions.

George Engelbach gave a report on a meeting he attended on the US Waters put on by EPA. He expressed his concerns about the proposed regulations and gave the Board information on where to find the proposed rules in the federal register. NACD is also continuing to work on this issue from a national viewpoint.

The 2014 Training Conference will be December 10-12 (Wednesday through Friday). Tom Lambert had a suggestion for the banquet entertainment which Ryan Britt followed up on and has secured the Peterson Brothers for that at a rate of \$3500. A motion was made by Tom Lambert, seconded by Ryan Britt to approve \$3500 for the banquet entertainment and approve a contract with the Peterson Brothers. Motion carried unanimously (7-0). Kenny Lovelace asked for suggestions for the Opening Session speaker. The evaluations from the 2013 conference had a couple of comments about the seating at the banquet. The Board discussed having assigned seats at the banquet and what that would take to accomplish. After discussing the Board decided not to do assigned seats but to ask if Tan-Tar-A would set up a few extra tables and put reserved signs on a couple of tables for late-comers. They also discussed the desire to have only 8 people per table instead of the current 10 people. Steve Radcliff made a motion to approve the request for 8 people per table, Tom Lambert seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously (7-0). There was some discussion on the workshop topics for the conference including social media, district liability insurance, and the new terrace design.

Other Business: A request was received for a donation for the 2014 Women In Ag conference. George Engelbach made a motion to approve a donation of \$250 to the 2014 Women in Ag Conference. Mike Kelley seconded. Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

A motion was made by Mike Kelley at 9:30 p.m. to go into Closed Session to discuss personnel. Beverly Dometrorch seconded, motion carried unanimously by roll call vote: Tom Lambert – yes, Ryan Britt – yes, Beverly Dometrorch – yes, George Engelbach – yes, Ben Gorden – yes, Dan Greeson – yes, Mike Kelley – yes. Ben Gorden made a motion to come out of Closed Session at 10:25 p.m. Tom Lambert seconded. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote: Tom Lambert – yes, Ryan Britt – yes, Beverly Dometrorch – yes, George Engelbach – yes, Ben Gorden – yes, Dan Greeson – yes, Mike Kelley – yes. Then a motion was made by Beverly Dometrorch to increase the Executive Director pay by 5% effective July 1, 2014. Mike Kelley seconded. Motion carried unanimously (7-0)

The next meeting will be scheduled for this summer, hopefully the day before a Soil & Water Commission meeting probably in August. Motion for adjournment was made by George Engelbach, seconded by Beverly Dometrorch. Motion carried unanimously (7-0). The meeting was adjourned at 10:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Peggy Lemons, Executive Director

Kenny Lovelace, President