

Meeting was called to order at 2:40 pm am on July 20, 2011 at Ramkota in Sioux Falls, SD. Those in attendance were Kyle Schlessler, Heidi Willimason, Glenda and Jamie McNutt, Shane Augeson, Brandon Seitz, Kyle Monteith, Kerry Gusso, Wes Koehler, Larry Whirlledge and the following from the NTA, Mitch Webb, Steve Wolk and John Janeill.

We have found a place to move our convention to Sioux Falls for 2012, Holiday Inn Sioux Falls City Centre. Please make note to add a google map of the location on our newsletter. It will be held the same weekend as last year March 16-18, 2012.

Convention was discussed and the members that were present for this meeting all decided to have the awards banquet a bit dressier than in the past. Thus meaning NO T-Shirts, please dress in a sports coat or dress shirt for camera-friendly purpose.

Judges were discussed and contracts will be sent to the following: Kent Reedy, Jody Green, Wayne Zespy and Bill Newman.

Hands On Seminars were brought up. Kyle Monteith proposed the idea of having all the judges do a hands on seminar in whatever you feel you need help in the most. It was also brought up that Jody Green might be interested in doing a whitetail seminar.

John Janeill of the NTA presented info on Henry Brockhouse and is in contact with the museum at Great Plains Zoo in Sioux Falls to present them a plaque on him and all his original mounts that are housed at the museum. He would also like our board president to go with to present this plaque and meet the "in-charge" person of the museum for future taxidermy needs.

Janeill also expressed to all of us how much it was appreciated that we as an organization came together and helped set-up the backboards, tables, chairs, etc. The NTA was really grateful for the gratitude that South Dakota showed.

Glenda McNutt will get a birthday card and have our members sign it over the weekend for Henry. It will then be given to Janeill for delivery.

We are going to hold a raffle for our organization this year. We have purchased a Ruger M77 .308 Stainless Steel with Black Synthetic Stock Gun (1st place) and Joshua Spies "Autumn Glow" Framed 10 ½ x 15 Print (2nd place) that we have made tickets and are selling. Tickets are \$1 each or 3 for \$20. Tickets were handed out to those members attending the meeting and were sold over the weekend at the SDTA booth as well. The gun was \$490 and \$350 for the print for a total of \$840.

It was brought up by the members attending that they would like to see a Lifetime Membership set up for the organization. Single Lifetime Membership is set at \$500 plus a SDTA jacket and a framed certificate stating that they are a Lifetime Member and \$750 for a two person membership plus two jackets and a framed certificate.

Kyle Schlessler is going to see if we can get to tour our new hotel sometime over the weekend if anyone is interested.

Kyle Monteith presented the new SDTA banner that we will be using for our shows. More T-Shirts have also been ordered and brought down to the NTA for sale.

Seeing no other business, meeting was adjourned at 4:15 pm.