

Minutes for the September 11, 2010 Meeting of PDFA

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 am at the Blair County Convention Center's Kimble Room with 14 directors present along with the executive secretary and Jim Milliron. Rich Huff was absent and Dean Sullins was a guest.

Minutes from the previous meeting were approved on a motion by Steve, seconded by Bob. The Treasurer's report gave a balance of \$293,109.59 and was approved on a motion by Dianne, seconded by Jim. Will Ainsworth has a check for PDFA for \$22,000 which will go into the general fund. He donated 3 % from his auction to PDFA.

The PAC raised \$25,650 in contributions (see attached) with \$36,450 given to campaigns in 2010. Closing balance is \$2349. John Milliron spoke on the importance of the deer farmers PAC fund. It was approved on a motion by Vern, seconded by Larry.

John Milliron gave the legislative report. The sales tax issue is on hold. HB 2273, the licensing fee bill, is scheduled for a vote on Oct. 11-12. He encouraged everyone to call their senators to approve the bill. No response from the 2 gubernatorial campaigns. Corbett appears to support Ag. Onorato doesn't seem to. His campaign is being run by Rendell's people and it doesn't look good for Ag.

We sold \$3355 in ticket sales for the sale supper. Harry got \$600 in no sale fees donated back to PDFA. And there were \$2000 in donations. Dave will take care of the donations with Trish.

Bev is posting by-law changes in the newsletter. Dave will contact Andy about how to contact members.

The meal will be discussed at a later meeting after George motioned, seconded by Steve and approved that PDFA will take charge of the meal in the future.

George, Mike, and Larry will attend the strategic planning meeting in Harrisburg at the Dept. of Ag on September 30 from 9:30-11:30 am.

Josh, Bob, and Dianne will join with Dr. Brooks and Penn State on a cervid council along with other industry representatives.

Josh will get a firm contract for redoing our website from Whitetail Marketing and present at the next meeting. We will be doing the updates ourselves. Mike motioned, seconded by Dave Lapp that we change to Whitetail Marketing for our website and that Josh will handle it. Motion approved.

Mike Gee's reported that the vet for PGC wrote an article in the Outdoor News indicating that boar hunting should be shut down. This is not supported by the Dept. of Ag. Harry suggested Keith Warren and Dave suggested John Ming to write articles in support of our industry. But no action taken.

Next meeting scheduled for October 15, 2010 in Huntington. Meeting adjourned on a motion by Jim, seconded by Mike.

Respectfully submitted
Dianne Miller