



THIRD DISTRICT COUNTIES MEETING  
Monday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014  
The Alpine Inn, LaCrosse County

Meeting was called to order by Directors Jerry Day, Todd Giraud and Tuna Frisch.

**ATTENDANCE:** 33 members/guests. 5 Juneau County, 1 Sauk County, 7 Monroe, 14 LaCrosse, 3 Iowa-Grant, 2 Crawford. Guests 1

- Introductions done.
- Secretary's report – copies of the minutes were distributed; discussion was held on clarification of a couple areas.

Discussion was held on the 3rd District Election process when reviewing the Minutes of last meeting. Pete Madland reviewed that 30 day notice be given to general membership of when nominations will be accepted. Nominations can be made at District meetings or from "the floor" on Wednesday at Convention. Discussion yielded that the 3rd District needs a person 'in-charge' of the nomination and election process. Motion was made and seconded that there be a Director or a member be in charge of elections/nominations and to review the bylaws. This should be placed on each agenda so everyone is aware of what positions are coming up for election and what qualifications are. The State bylaws are a good guideline which are available on the website. The State TLW has a nominating committee that verifies the qualifications of all nominees/candidates. Mike Brown accepted this position will take charge of Nominations/Election process.

There was a second clarification in the last meeting's minutes: In Jim Pickett's State Executive report: After research, the State TLW will pay the registration for any Board of Director interested in attending the National ABL convention.

Motion made and seconded to approve secretary's report with above corrections. Notify Sherry of any website events.

- Treasurer's report read by Todd Giraud.

**SPEAKER:** Pete Madland gave a legislative report stating this has been a good year legislatively. Brown Jug bill signed. Liquor tasting discussed. Law enforcement presenting at bars asking bartenders to scan customer's driver license, this was discussed. Growlers were discussed. Electronic cigarettes were discussed. Department of Gaming is available for any questions on raffles.

Pete spoke briefly about the Spring convention – kudos were given to LaCrosse's Mike Brown for obtaining Combined Insurance as a one of the sponsors for the convention.

Charity reports are due !!! Football mania tickets will be available at Spring convention. Bowling tournament for TIPAC kicked off last weekend – get involved. Creation of a new league within 3<sup>rd</sup> District was discussed -- There will be a separation of Sauk County and the Dells. Dells will be forming their own league. This will mean 5 more delegates for 3<sup>rd</sup> District for voting time.

Pete was asked to discuss Legislative Days and the importance.

**Southern Zone VP—Jim Pickett – Discussed a few legislative issues:** Attorney General race - he urged everyone to research and check out these candidates. It is an important race. He gave some details of the August 9<sup>th</sup> TLW Day at Miller Park which includes a Tailgate party, this year they have added sweet corn and a bean bag tourney with prizes, etc. The State TLW Golf Outing will be September 8th in Superior. League Leaders Day will be August 25th, details to follow. Jim spoke of about 3rd District Membership and commended Grant/Iowa and Juneau Counties for their success and increases. He also spoke briefly about the Spring Convention in LaCrosse stating that there will be a chance to win new car through the red/white/blue raffle. Next Executive meeting will be March 18<sup>th</sup> in Madison and he urged members to contact him if they have any concerns to take to the Executive Board.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

- **Membership Drive** – Membership was discussed membership trials and tribulations. Discussed tips and what has worked in some counties.
- **Raffle/fundraiser** -- The Spring Fundraiser tickets are out to all counties. Reminder for each county to have someone in charge of turning them in at the convention and to turn them in early (Monday or Tuesday of convention).
- **Golf Outing** – Monroe County is 2014 host. Discussion was held on the golf course choices. Sunday, August 17th will be the date of the outing this year. Committee was set up for 2014: LaCrosse – Mike Brown; Juneau – Tuna/Cupcakes; Grant/Iowa – Hedley, DC, Jerry Day. Crawford - Denny Fuller. Sauk – Keith Koehler.
- **Pool tournament** – Pool tournament was held last weekend and was successful. P&L not available yet, however, 36 teams participated which is 5 more teams than last year (25 more players). Art reported there was good representation from each county and volunteers were available games and raffles.
- **Finance/legal Committee** – Todd and Mike Brown – No report.
- **Hospitality Party**- All the directors reviewed the bids received. They were all very good bids, and prices very comparable. Chapter II will be the site for the 3rd District party. LaCrosse area recommended a local band, the "Baloney Skins" so they will be the entertainment. Thanks to all bidders for the great competitive bids.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- **ABL Convention**—Third District will offer support to members interested in attending the National Convention in Washington DC. However, the "Grant/Iowa team" will work on this issue with State TLW re: supporting registration.
- **Spring Convention** – LaCrosse County is hosting convention. Motion made and second to donate monies to the Food pantry from 3<sup>rd</sup> District to alleviate some of the pressure of the members to bring food with them. There is a 84" TV drawing. 3rd District took an ad in the Convention booklet. There will be a drawing for a Car. This will be the prize in the Red/White/Blue drawing, winner has to make a putt to win the car.
- **Next Meeting** – Crawford County , May 5th, details to be announced at a later date.
- **Attendance Drawing** – Free membership for one drawn from the non-convention meeting attendance. Do not have to attend the convention.
- **Gas Card Winners:** Bob Kuehl, Monroe; Laurie Everts, LaCrosse.

Good & Welfare – Jim Pickett is collecting for Polar Plunge; he did the plunge. Donations were accepted to from all who were interested.

## GOOD & WELFARE:

MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.