The meeting was called to order by president Leslie Mindemann. Those present were: Leslie Mindemann, Dale Heagle, Tony Weber, Kathy Miller, Dan Downing, Scott Gaffney, Jeff Kind, Jim Hawthorne and Ardel Quam.

**Secretary report:** Minutes from the August 19th, 2008 meeting were emailed to all board members. Heagle moved to accept the secretary's report. Weber seconded the motion and motion carried.

Treasurer report: Downing moved to accept the treasurer's report. Weber seconded the motion and carried.

**Old Business:** Hawthorne reported on the fieldday was held September 13th good crowd in attendance about 200 people. CJ Brown came to have her prints on display- for that she donated a print to be part of our annual meeting silent auction. Questions were raised about how the amounts or bills from the fieldday are handled.

**World Beef Expo:** Downing reported that the show numbers were up a little. The sale average was down some. Only one of the embryo lots were sold. New consignors this year for the sale. Exhibitor party was sponsored in part by the WAA- nice crowd. Dates for the 2009 are September 25-27th.

**Annual meeting:** January 24, 2009. Konkol has been checking on a place to have and their prices, he has talked to Chula Vista. Hoping to get the meal costing \$18 or less. Weber moved to have the annual on January 24, 2009. Heagle seconded the motion. Guest speakers Jeff Swenson and Jerry Cassady will be talking during the annual meeting to talk about COOL, BadgerVac and curly calf syndrome. Banquet at 5:00pm meeting at 2:00. Miller moved to pay for the meal for those that have RSVP'd for the meal. Those not RSVPing will be charged \$10 per person at the door. RSVP by January 10th. Idea brought up to have the awards and presentation of the queens during the meal.

Will check with WJAA about if they are having their annual meeting at the same date. Hawthorne will put the general information on the web site soon. The auxiliary might have their annual meeting that same day.

Board members going off the board are Leslie Mindemann and Jim Ward, they have each served 2- 3 year terms. Aaron Galbreath ad Kevin Konkol have each served 1 3-year term and are eligible for re-election.

**Newsletter:** Write up of some of the things that we did through out the year. Kori Konkol is going to be putting this together. Each director will put a small blip together on the projects they worked on during the year. It would be nice to have a calendar of events in the newsletter. The person putting the newsletter what will we pay them. The WAA board will set the ad rates and the times it will be printed. Kevin Konkol's plan now is the have the articles from the board members to him by the 20th of November. He will have the proofs emailed to the board members. End of December is the target mailing date. We are looking at mailing this to all American Angus Association in Wisconsin.

## **New Business:**

**State sale:** Gaffney had a listing of guidelines for consigning to the sale. These will be listed on the website, handed out at the annual meeting and will be given out during the sale tour. This listing of what the consignor is responsible for. Consignors will be mailed a contract that will need to be signed by them and returned stating they understand what they are responsible for. March 22, 2009 is the sale date.

## **Committee:**

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**Budget:** everyone had a copy of the budget through October 31, 2008. Went over it and made some minor changes in the categorizing of some of the items.

**Fund raising:** Tom Peters is looking into the costs of making 2 road signs for the association to sell at the annual meeting and the state sale.

Website: Hawthorne gave a brief overview of what he has been working on the website.

**Auxiliary:** with be doing the cheese and sausage boxes again this December. They will be doing a mailing and will have something for the website. They will be looking for ambassadors and Angus queen. The scholarship deadline will be December 31st.

Weber moved to have audit done for 2008 through November 30, 2008 Downing seconded the motion. Carried.

Seeing no further business Downing moved to adjourn the meeting. Gaffney seconded the motion. Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Ardel Quam, Secretary