

BOARD MEETING AT CONVENTION 3.22.2012

Ed Barnhardt called the meeting of the NDABA to order at 10AM on March 22,2012 at the Holiday Inn Riverside in Minot prior to the convention. Those in attendance were Ed Barnhardt, Jim and Verla Rostad, Clyde and Bonnie Nelson, Kent Meidinger, Larry Teters, Chuck German, Miles Doll, Bryce Hancock, Ron McClellan, Brenyn Otto, Roger Krapp and wife, Scott Heintzman, Jeff and MarJean Pfau, Tom and Lana Ose.

The secretarys report was read and approved. Motion to approve by Jim Rostad, 2nd by Kent Meidinger. The treasures report was given and approved. Motion to approve by Tom Ose, 2nd by Bryce Hancock. The balance of the associations account is \$37,682.45. 85 shops are on the list and about 25 shops have not paid their membership dues.

Shops reported to have had a busy winter even with the mild weather. The western part of the state has been extremely busy with the added population and trucking traffic.

Magazine report: The year ended with a \$7.37 negative balance. Clyde has added three advertisers to the magazine. Copy continues to be needed. Personal interest stories as well as body shop articles can be sent to Clyde Nelson.

Old Business: All members be sure to thank the vendors for displaying at the convention and for advertising in the magazine. There are 32 vendors registered for the display area. We thank Rydell's for sponsoring the Thursday seminar, the speaker and his expenses. We also want to thank Pam's Auto for sponsoring the noon lunch on Thursday and Minot Chrysler Center and Hedahls for sponsoring tech night.

2013 convention will be held April 11 and 12 at the Ramada Inn in Grand Forks. Larry Teters is working on it and will get some of the area shops to assist him.

2014 convention: Jim Rostad made a motion to hold the convention in Fargo. 2nd by Tom Ose. Scott Heintzman will work on setting it up.

Discussion was held on what changes could we try to improve attendance at convention. A motion was made to change to a Friday-Saturday format but died for a lack of a second.

Web site: Some shops have linked their web site with the NDABA site. The web site designer was again spoken highly of for the work he has done. They are planning to add a Hall of Fame page, tech of the year page, and update the map of members. Anything wanted on the site can be easily added.

Most offices are open this year. Members will visit tonight to get names of those who would be willing to serve this year . Len Sadler from Amidon and Brad Martinson from Grafton have volunteered to serve on the board.

New Business: Discussion was held on the need for an executive director to promote our business and the organization. Verla Rostad has a power point presentation that could be used to promote our industry.

Honorary memberships: Miles Doll made a motion that retirees be kept on the mailing list and will be invited to attend conventions. 2nd by Scott Heintzman. Jim Rostad amended this motion to read that the retiree must have had ten years of continuous membership and be retired to receive the magazine and get an invitation to the conventions.

Discussion was held on raising the convention fees. They have been at \$50 per member for many years and expenses continue to rise. It was tabled for a future meeting.

A conference call has been set for May 19th at 9AM. Verla Rostad will e-mail out the information to set this up.

Bryce Hancock and Miles Doll volunteered to serve on the audit committee and will meet at 5PM, March 22,2012.

Larry Teters was presented the Promotor of the Year award at the noon luncheon on Friday.

Casey Gartner of Dickenson was in attendance at the banquet to receive the \$500 scholarship to BJC.

Anthony Geyer of Surrey was in attendance at the banquet to receive the \$500 scholarship to NDSCS.

Officers for the next year are the following:

President: Kent Meidinger

1st Vice: Jeff Pfau

2nd Vice: Scott Heintzman

Secretary: Colette Meidinger

Treasure: Verla Rostad

District 3 Rep: Ken Sadler

District 4 Rep: Brad Martinson

A motion to cast a unanimous ballot for the slate of officers by Jim Rostad was made and a 2nd was made.

10 Year Plaques: Hwy 2 Collision

Collision Experts Inc.

15 Year Plaques: Finest Autobody & Glass

Crosby Tire and Glass Inc.

20 Year Plaques: Quality Autobody Shop Inc.

25 Year Plaques: Dosmann Body Shop

Steen & Berg Company

Devils Lake Chrysler Center

Marketplace Motors

Tech of the Year: Two were given out this year

Steven Hoornaert of Opdahl Body Shop of Fessenden

Cliff Rameden of Precision Autobody of Rugby

Hall of Fame: Jim Rostad was inducted into the Hall of Fame and was presented with the award by his wife

Verla Rostad.

Tom Ose presented a plaque and thanked Ed Barnhardt for chairing the 2012 Convention. Thanks were also extended to Bobbi Barnhardt and Verla Rostad for all their help with the convention.

Lana Ose,
Secretary