

South Louisiana Wildfowl Carvers General Meeting

Wednesday, January 15, 2025, 6:30 PM Lockport Town Hall, 10 Church Street, Lockport, LA 70374

6:30 pm Meeting was called to order by Pres. Barry Plaisance

Approval of 09/25/24 Meeting's minutes:

Motion by Dean Savoie; Second by Troy Danos; Unanimously approved

Approval of Treasurer's report:

Motion by Sullivan Pierce; Second by Dean Savoie; Unanimously approved

OLD BUSINESS

Reports from Show Chairpersons:

- Auction Chairperson: Dean Savoie has contacted Gene Hebert for auction items. Past winning pieces from Carl Danos and E.J. Felerice will be auctioned.
- Flat Art Chairperson: Courtney Foret has reached out to the painting community for entries. He will also talk with high school art teachers to become judges and for the teachers to encourage student entries.
- Vendor & Promotional Chairperson: Dean Savoie discussed getting HTV-Martin Folse to promote the show.
 - Also, discussion of contacting local radio stations for a "Live Remote Broadcast" during the Show.

Discussion on **contacting Judges** by phone or mailing postcards.

Website, **southlacarvers.com**, is up and running. It contains events and show brochures and rules. A new section, **"Meet the Carvers"** will feature club members and their contact information.

NEW BUSINESS

Tables for Show: The Club owns (18) eight-foot tables. Discussion on purchasing (15) more tables from Sam's Club.

Motion by Dean Savoie to purchase 15 new tables; Second by Sullivan Pierce; Unanimously approved

T-shirts: Discussion on donating old shirts that have been in storage. If new shirts are ordered, black color preferred and ladies' V-neck versions.

Motion by Dean Savoie to purchase new t-shirts and caps; Second by Sullivan Pierce; Unanimously approved

Advertising: Discussion on new ribbons, radio, newspaper and signs promoting the Show *Motion by Sullivan Pierce to spend \$3,000 on Advertising;* Second by Troy Danos; Unanimously approved

Delta Waterfowl: Travis Colombel reported Delta Waterfowl would like to sponsor a \$1,500.00 purchase award category in exchange for an exhibit table at the Show. Delta would auction the winning decoy at the annual banquet.

Storage Space: Discussion on continuing to rent a storage unit or purchase a permanent storage container. Issue was tabled until next meeting, or after the Show.

Future Farmers of America FFA Sponsorship: Discussion on sponsoring a local high school student in FFA. *Motion by Sullivan Pierce to spend \$100 FFA Sponsorship;* Second by Dexter Neal; Unanimously approved

Purchase Awards and Sponsors: Members are encouraged to contact and sponsors to collect donations. Discussion on getting purchase award categories and species out the public as quickly as possible so carvers may prepare their pieces in time for future shows.

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn by Troy Danos; Second by Sullivan Pierce; Unanimously approved Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Next meeting will be Feb 11, 2025

Minutes by Sec. Matthew Armand