

The NDABA board meeting was held Feb 5, 2011 at the Chieftan in Carrington. Members present were Ed Barnhardt, Miles Doll, Robert Zantow, Verla Rostad, Jeff Pfau, Tom and Lana Ose. Also in attendance were Larry Teters and Howard Nelson.

The secretary and treasurers reports were read and approved. All districts reported being busy this winter.

The NDABA magazine is still in dire need of articles from all members of the organization. We are losing advertisers for lack of articles.

Howard Nelson who was the first president of the NDABA spoke to the group. Discussion was held on how to put a new spark in our organization.

Old business

Scholarship 2011: The NDSCS scholarship will be divided between two deserving students this year. One student from Bismarck will receive that scholarship.

Convention report: It will be held at the Seven Seas in Mandan March 3 and 4. Miles Doll is the chairperson this year and he has sent out the brochures to body shops and vendors. Dakotaland Autoglass will present a seminar on the Miracle System, the most basic panel repair tool for daily use and the Airopower System, a pneumatic body repair system. Tec night will again be Thursday night. Friday Ed Welter from 3 M will speak on profitability. Twenty vendors have already signed up with room for 37.

Ed Barnhardt is still looking for pictures from years past to be used in a slide show. He is also wanting to get the cell phone numbers from board members.

2012 convention will be in Minot and 2013 will now be in Grand Forks. Larry Teters is scheduling the Grand Forks convention the same weekend as the Prime Steel Car Show.

Districts needing directors are 6, 11, and 12.

Next meeting will be at convention March 3 at 10 AM at the Seven Seas, Mandan.

Meeting adjourned. A round table discussion on four estimating systems followed.