Western Board meeting teleconference July 14, 2008

Meeting called to order at 5:05 pm by President Robert Perry (Bob)

Members present:

Nels Werner 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-President, Clyde Hanson 2nd Vice-President, Susie Kline Treasure, Bruce Kroetch Nellie Zion, Secretary.

South Dakota Conference: Bruce stated that South Dakota is geared up to host the conference in 2009 and that they are firming up a couple of the speakers for the conference. South Dakota will have State Reports in place of the success Stories as in the past.

The Program is together and the first mailings for the conference will be going out soon. They are gearing up to accept credit cards for payment, which will help make payment quicker. The entertainment is locked in. Questions had been made regarding the timing of things and Nellie assured the officers that South Dakota was on schedule as far as the time line that Western had, had National prepare for Western the Great "Conference Planning Guide". It was asked if everyone had copies Bruce said that all states had been given copies of the notebook. Nellie said she would get a hold of National office and ask them to please make 3 more CD's and send them to the states needing them.

Treasure Report: Susie reported that funding is getting tight and she would email out the report as she was on the road between meetings.

Discussion was had on how to help with the shortcomings that councils will be and are facing. Ask the sponsoring organizations for financial help in paying for travel for training that would benefit them. Host fund raising activities to benefit something in the community, car pool when ever possible.

Susie reminded the others that Nellie and Susie often stay in the same room to help cut the rooming expenses.

Meeting adjourned at 5:45 pm by President Bob Perry

We will not have another teleconference meeting until September 2, 2008

Reported by Nellie Zion Secretary