

LAKE WISCONSIN ALLIANCE  
ANNUAL MEETING  
THIRSTY MOOSE RESTAURANT  
AUGUST 29, 2015

Officers Present: Kirk Boehm, Tina Sebold, Ross Ament, Anne Brindley

Directors Present: Dean Voeks, Bill Stehling, Gary Sanders, Melissa Keenan, Mark Taber

Guests Present: Dan Braun (Imperial MultiMedia), Donna Stehling, Sandy Boehm, Connie Ellis Ament, Walter Alexander, Tim Hood, Bob Hunt, Daniel Johnson, Steve Minga, Ken Richardson, Julie Richardson, Paulette Smith, Ron Smith, William Smith, Dennis Stendler, Sandee Stendler, Bill Welch, Mike O'Mara, Harold Starks, Dean Schwartz, Deloris Daniele, Tim Larson, Randy and Rose Ann McNicol

1. INTRODUCTIONS

- a. Call to order by President Kirk Boehm at 1:31 P.M.
- b. Kirk recognized board members and business partners.
- c. A quorum of members was noted to be met.

2. ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

- a. Ross Ament, chair of the nominating committee, presented the slate of members to be elected to the board for 3-year terms. Kirk asked if there were additional nominations from the floor. Hearing none, a motion was made to close the nominations, and seconded. Kirk asked for a show of hands in favor of the slate of nominees. The slate was approved. The returning board members, all serving second terms, are Anne Brindley, Mark Taber, and Dean Voeks.
- b. Kirk noted that officers will be elected at the next regular board meeting.

3. TREASURER'S REPORT

- a. Anne Brindley presented the treasurer's report. She reviewed the account balance, expenses, and gave an update on the grants.
- b. A motion was made to approve the report, and seconded. Motion carried.

4. MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

- a. The membership committee report was presented by Ross.
- b. Membership term and status was reviewed. With members added today, LWA has a total of 76 members.
- c. New members are welcome to join the committee.

5. COMMUNICATION COMMITTEE REPORT

- a. The communication committee report was presented by Dean Voeks.
- b. Dean discussed the focus of our first DNR grant – logo, brochure, and website development.
- c. Dan Braun from Imperial Multimedia showed the new website features.
- d. Connie Ellis Ament reported on the citizens lake monitoring. Monitoring is done by volunteers every 7-10 days and data is reported to WDNR. A map showing the monitoring locations was displayed and 2014 data is on display for review.

6. EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

- a. The education committee report was presented by Melissa Keenan.

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- b. Melissa reviewed the purpose of the education committee and discussed education events. The 2015 events have included: January-restored shorelines, March-birds of Lake Wisconsin, May-fish shocking near the Grade, July–blue-green algae, and September will be a shoreline protection tour.
  - c. We are looking for more volunteers for lake monitoring and plan to put together a Clean Boats, Clean Waters team. Anyone interested please contact Melissa.
7. FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT
- a. Mark Taber reported on finances and provided an update on the status of the grant from DNR and the two grants from Alliant Energy.
8. ALLIANT ENERGY GRANT UPDATES
- a. Melissa provided an update on the education project. Education packets will be mailed out in the next two months.
  - b. Tim Larson provided an update on the near shore fish survey project. The project is funded with a two year grant. A history of the project development and a status report of findings to-date was provided. Forty sites total will be surveyed. The first year goal is to complete 20 sites. Ten sites have been completed. The surveys started at the dam and will progress upstream. Twenty-five species have been found at the 10 sites surveyed. Tim described the different species found. An interim report will be presented to the group about half way through the project and a final report will be provided. Tim also said his team would like to do an event next year for the members.
9. LEINENKUGELS FUND RAISER
- a. Nick from Frank Beer Distributors talked about the Canoes for Cause initiative from Leinenkugels Brewery and the promotions at establishments around the lake. Nick presented Kirk with a check for \$1,000 from the promotions. Nick also described the event taking place today at the Thirsty Moose.
10. NEW BUSINESS/OTHER
- a. A member asked where shirts with the logo can be obtained. Dean answered it is early in merchandise development; watch the website for more information.
  - b. One of LWA's next goals is to expand to meet local municipal boards and politicians to make LWA more known locally.
  - c. An invitation was given by the Town of Westpoint to have LWA at their October 8th meeting.
  - d. A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. Motion carried.
  - e. The meeting adjourned at 2:28 P.M.

Submitted by: Tina Sebold

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