



**BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING**

October 11, 2023 – Grand View Lodge and Zoom

**ATTENDANCE**

<b>Board Member</b>	<b>Attendance</b>	<b>Advisory Member</b>	<b>Attendance</b>
Uldis Birznieks	Present	Dave Anderson	Present
Jay Chaney	Absent	Jane Edwards	Absent
Robert Eliason	Present	Kevin Egan	Absent
Steve Frawley	Present	Alex Gorman	Absent
Sue Friedrichs	Present	Steve Henry	Present
Kathy Lundberg	Present	Erik Hidalgo	Absent
Jon Mendel	Present	Sheila Johnston	Absent
Tim Thoele	Present	Mike Knapp	Absent
		Tim Plude	Absent
		Dan Simons	Absent
		Brian Turner	Present
		Dorothy Whitmer	Absent

**GUESTS**

None

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Frawley at 8:32 a.m.

**MINUTES APPROVAL**

Motion by Lundberg, seconded by Birznieks to approve the September 13, 2023, Board meeting minutes. Motion carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

<b>ORGANIZATION</b>	<b>GCOLA*</b>	<b>Gull Chain Preservation Endowment Fund</b>
<b>YTD Time Period</b>	<b>9-30-23-23</b>	<b>Not provided</b>
Total Income (Loss)	\$223,934.61	
Total Expense	\$115,707.58	
Net Other Income (Expense)	\$5,347.03	
Net Income (Loss)	\$113,574.06	
Total Current Assets	\$460,322.59	

\*The treasurer's report was set aside subject to audit.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

- None

**DONATION REQUEST**

- None

**ADVISORY UPDATES**

- Cass County – Henry reported the AIS inspections are finished for the year.
- Crow Wing County – No report
- DNR – No report
- USACE – Turner announced the lake was down 2.4", but due to recent rain it was back up to the minimum level and the campground will be closed on 10-15-23. He is researching storage options for the new decon unit.



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### **AIS COMMITTEE**

- Thoele stated the new AIS sign has been installed at Government Point and he plans to budget for additional tools as they will likely be misplaced occasionally.
- Motion by Frawley, seconded by Thoele to cover the cost of tickets, mileage, and accommodations for a Board member to attend the MAISRC 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event. Motion passed.

### **COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE**

- Lundberg thanked Anderson for the time he dedicated to resolving the email migration from GoDaddy to Outlook. Articles are due November 1.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE**

- Eliason is recording the data and preparing the article for the End-of-Dock survey.

### **FINANCE & AUDIT COMMITTEE**

- Birznieks is estimating the year end net income will be about \$100K and notified the Board the audit committee completed the 2022 audit with no major findings.

### **FISHERIES COMMITTEE**

- No report

### **GALA COMMITTEE**

- Need to identify a chair as soon as possible so that planning can begin in January.

### **GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE**

- Frawley reported the committee will focus on fostering relationships with other lake associations with common issues and will discuss the idea of inviting local legislators to a future Board meeting with the committee.

### **LAKE STEWARD COMMITTEE**

- No report.

### **LOON CONSERVANCY COMMITTEE**

- No report.

### **MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE**

- Friedrichs reported there are 1036 paid members with 86 new members.

### **NOMINATING COMMITTEE**

- Mendel will host a brainstorming discussion at the next board meeting on how to recruit younger members as committee chairs and board members.

### **RECREATION & SAFETY COMMITTEE**

- No report.

### **EVENTS UPDATE**

- ACCL meeting – No report.



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**TO DO LIST**

<b>Accountable</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Deadline</b>	<b>Status</b>
1. <b>Birznieks</b>	Send photos of decon unit & AIS signs to Friedrichs & Lundberg	11-1-23	New
2. <b>Chaney</b>	Review the buoy map and let Friedrichs know the location of new navigational buoys.	11-8-23	Open
3. <b>Committee Chairs</b>	Send budgets to Birznieks & Friedrichs.	11-3-23	New
4. <b>Friedrichs</b>	Prepare preliminary Investment Policy to include IF and BLACF fund investment strategies.	10-11-23	Open
5. <b>Friedrichs</b>	Request a copy of the signed Maddens kiosk agreement from Deb Thuringer	10-11-23	Open
6. <b>Friedrichs</b>	Purchase four \$250 gifts cards for AIS inspections and mail to Thoele	10-18-23	New
7. <b>Friedrichs</b>	Prepare summary of how anonymous AIS donation was spent in 2023.	12-13-23	New
8. <b>Frawley</b>	Contact Johnston about reporting on ACCL meetings.	9-13-23	Complete
9. <b>Friedrichs</b>	Include a newsmagazine with the 2 <sup>nd</sup> dues mailing to non-members	10-11-23	Complete
10. <b>Johnston</b>	Talk to Whitmer about incorporating Dark Sky lighting into the Lake Steward assessment.	10-11-23	Complete
11. <b>Lundberg</b>	Create annual meeting survey to be used for 2024 planning	10-11-23	Complete
12. <b>Thoele</b>	Work with Turner to install new AIS sign with tools at Gull Lake Recreation Area.	10-31-23	Complete

**ADJOURN**

Motion by Eliason, seconded by Birznieks to adjourn meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m. Minutes recorded by Sue Friedrichs.