



BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

AUGUST 12, 2020 – ONLINE

Present: Claudia Allene, Steve Alex, Todd Amerman, Uldis Birznieks, Jay Chaney, Robert Eliason, Steve Frawley, Sue Friedrichs, Linda Harrier, Chuck Herrig, Joel Meyer, Marv Meyer, Rick Quackenbush

Absent: Jane Edwards,

Guests: Dave Anderson, Greg Booth, Meg Duhr, Kevin Egan, Kathy Lundberg, Ron Meyer, Brian Turner, Dorothy Whitmer

The meeting was called to order by Chair Herrig at 8:30 a.m.

Motion by Eliason and second by Harrier to approve the July 8, 2020 Board meeting minute. Motion approved.

Up the Creek Meats

Greg Booth and Ron Meyer presented the Fish & Waters Conservation Fund program called Up the Creek Meats. It encourages buying beef from local farmers who use sustainable farming practices to minimize impact on water quality. Alex will prepare a newsletter article newsletter and volunteered to work with Up the Creek Meats.

MAISRC AIS Priorities

Meg Duhr introduced herself in her new role as Research Outreach Specialist. The Board identified the top three research priorities that benefit the Gull Lake Chain as starry stonewort, Eurasian water milfoil and spiny water flea. Alex will work with Meg on a survey of Gull Lake Chain docks and presence of zebra mussels. Meg will contact GCOLA spring 2021, when MAISRC will have a spiny water flea prevention program.

Lake Steward Program

Dorothy Whitmer would like to expand the Lake Steward program to non-members. The Board agreed to pay for signs for non-members and will assist her in promoting the Lake Steward program with the cities and townships that are on the Gull Lake Chain.

Treasurer's Report

Organization	GCOLA*
YTD Time Period	7-31-2020
Total Income (Loss)	\$82,085
Total Expense	\$(78,438)
Net Other Income(Expense)	\$672
Net Income(Loss)	\$4,319
Total Current Assets	\$250,026

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

Correspondence

- None



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Donation Requests

- Nisswa Fire & Rescue annual fire safety education program –Approved \$60.
- Brainerd Chamber of Commerce for Buoy the Chamber campaign – Motion by Herrig and second by Chaney to donate \$500. Motion passed.

USACE/MN DNR Update

- Turner reported the funding for the road embankment project has been approved.

Event Updates

- ACCL Annual Meeting – Herrig noted there was an update on the One Mississippi One Plan and Cass County AIS inspections.
- East Gull Lake helipad meeting – Birznieks stated he read the GCOLA letter at the meeting and plans to attend the August 25 decision making meeting.

Committee and Board Member List

- Notify Herrig and Friedrichs if any additional members are appointed to a committee and if changes are needed to contact information on the Board Member list

AIS Committee

- The first AIS inspection was completed at 23 sites and none was found.

Communications Committee

- Harrier introduced Kathy Lundberg who will be coordinating the newsletter going forward. Each Board Member will provide a list of 2018 & 2019 volunteers for an article in the next newsletter. Articles are due by August 20. The issues will be re-named:

Prior Name	New Name
Winter	Spring
Spring	Summer
Summer	Fall
Fall	Winter

Environmental Committee

- Eliason said the second water sampling occurs this month and the fall loon survey is scheduled.

Finance & Audit Committee

- No report.

Fisheries Committee

- No report.

Government Relations Committee

- Birznieks announced the wake study is now fully funded with contributions coming from lake associations, individuals, and businesses across the country.



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Membership Committee

- Harrier said total paid members is 928 which is even with the same period in 2019. 62 of the members are businesses. The committee is looking for suggestions for business members to profile in the newsletter.

Recreation and Safety

- Chaney has been working with Toborg to transition into the new role.

Motion to adjourn the meeting by Eliason and second by Frawley. Motion approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m. Minutes recorded by Sue Friedrichs.