

2025 Sunset Lake Annual Meeting Minutes-October 18, 2025

The annual meeting was held at Hanauer Hall at 10am on Saturday, October 18, 2025, with the following board members in attendance, President Russ Baldwin, Vice President Ron Schultz, Treasurer Michelle Bearden, Valerie Jagiela and Dave Johnson. Jenny Buhl, Anne Clough and Anne Dorman were absent.

Four of the Nine board seats are open, with terms expiring for Russ Baldwin, Dave Johnson, Val Jagiela and one unfilled seat. Rodney Winterland, Christine Davis and Val Jagiela submitted their information to be included on the ballot in the annual packet mailed to members in September.

President Russ Baldwin gave his final address, thanking the current board members and unelected members of SLA for all their time and help in completing projects over the last year. A few major projects include cove dredging and silt pond dredging to preserve the health of our lake. Russ explained the terms of the open board seats noted above, with 3 of the seats being 3-year terms and 1 open seat being a 1-year term. The nominee with the least number of votes will take the 1-year term.

Treasurer Michelle Bearden gave the Annual Treasurers report explaining balances of each account and that we do have a balanced budget. Michelle explained the \$500 Annual Assessment per leasehold collected from members will be allocated differently in 2026, with \$400 allocated to the operating expenses and \$100 allocated to lake and dam maintenance. This change is necessary to cover current costs of operating expenses. It was not proposed to raise the assessment at this time but could possibly change in 2027 with the rising cost of goods and services.

President Russ Baldwin explained to conduct business it is necessary to receive a quorum of 15% absentee ballots, at 105 ballots received, that quorum was met. Board members tallied the ballots with the following results. (Val Jagiela removed herself from the ballot counting process as she is one of the nominees on the ballot)

1.Board Member Vote

Rodney Winterland-97 Votes-Awarded 3-year term
Christine Davis-96 Votes-Awarded 3-year term
Val Jagiela-92 Votes-Awarded 3-year term
Tim Ferguson (write in)-26 votes-Awarded 1-year term

Honorable Mentions:

Jenny Neff (write in)-12 votes
Dave Johnson- Neff (write in)-8 votes
Russ Baldwin (write in)-1 vote
Mark Severns (write in)-1 vote

2.2026 Annual Operating Budget

Passed with 96 votes to approve and 6 votes to not approve of the 2026 budget.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:50am CST.