

RALALA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, June 19, 2020

Welcome: President, Linda Van Straaten

Meeting being held via Webex. Those present President Van Straaten, Vice President Bob Eddy, Glen Goodwin (WLA), Darril Weigscheid, Kim David, Gary Langer, John Rowell (treasurer), Bob Lee, Dave Johnson, Anne Bonnerup, Mark Mosman, Mikie Walker

Thanks to Bob Eddy for doing the research and introducing the Webex platform.

Minutes of the last meeting were corrected to say that Gary Langer was present at the May 22 meeting.

Motion to accept corrected minutes Darril, 2nd John

Treasurer's report distributed via e-mail by Treasurer Rowell. See attached. John made note that the \$1500 donation from 3M was a result of volunteer activity by Weigscheid, Kowalski and Brekken (\$500 each). Motion to approve: Lee, Eddy 2nd

Committees:

CLT/AIS...Gary Langer. CLT/AIS committee has met twice, wearing masks. Their mission has been expanded to include more communication. They are going to align more closely to the Pine River Watershed and move to improve Luscher Park. Their plan is to have an event to plant wild flowers in the park.

Membership. Darril reported that membership is at 200 today in mid-June and during a pandemic. President Van Straaten pointed out that there will be a contact for membership in each newsletter.

Publicity. Kim David and Linda VS worked together on the newsletter about to be mailed out to 600 members and non-members. Discussion was had about extra copies having a minimal effect on the bill for printing from Lakes Printing. Cost for printing and mailing this special edition to the newsletter will be \$1,191.00 for 600. Bob Lee will e-mail the PDF file of the newsletter to every member on his list with a link to download it on their own computers to print for family members.

Discussion regarding walleye stocking in Leavitt. Question raised about the appropriateness of RALALA being involved in the process. VS said she would like to see discussion tabled until every board member reads by-laws and articles. Discussion also about adding by-laws and articles to the website and any

impact that might have on the more negative of our supporters. Bob will send out by-laws and articles via e-mail to each board member.

Old Business: Linda put John Sumption of Northland Trust in touch with Matt Rand to work on potential conservation easements around our lakes. Sumption is wanting to talk to people who own 10+ acre parcels. Each member of the Emily City Council and Crooked Lake Township board has received a letter from Linda thanking them for their AIS funding.

Discussion of prevalence of swimmer's itch this year.

Discussion about Annual Meeting and whether or not to have it virtually. Lee pointed out that we would need 20-25 people to participate in order to have a quorum to make the meeting official.

Linda reminded everyone that we have two openings on the RALALA Board and to be thinking about who might be willing to serve.

New Business: Nominations are being sought for open positions on the board.

Next meeting will take place virtually on Thursday, July 24 at 9 a.m.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Mikie Walker, Secretary