

RALALA Board Meeting Minutes – May 20, 2017

The RALALA Board of Directors convened at the home of Bob Lee in Emily, Minnesota on May 20, 2017. The following members attended: Bob Lee, Linda VanStraaten, Jackie Evans, Gary Langer, Rollie Maki, John Rowell, Darril Wegscheid, Mikie Walker, and Mary Weihrauch. Absent was Denny Neil and Anne Bonnerup

Bob Lee called the meeting to order.

Minutes were read, Mary Weihrauch moved to accept them and Rollie Maki seconded.

The Financial report was provided by John Rowell

Account Balances

	2017 ytd	2016 (as of 5/21/16)
Checking	228.97	124.25
Savings	19,574.90	15,188.57
Milfoil	12,179.91	0
Total	\$31,983.78	\$15,312.82

2017 Budget Income

	Budget	Actual	Difference
Bank Interest	10.00	0	-10
Member Dues	5500.00	2568.34	-2931.66
Advertising	690.00	0	-690
Member Donations	4000.00	3062.39	-937.61
Raffle	6000.00	0	-6000
Corp. Donations	750.00	750.00	0.0
Initiative Fnd Interest	1200.00	0	-1200
Milfoil Donations	10,000.00	7179.91	-2,820.09
Grants	11,300.00	11,300.00	0.0
Total	\$39,450.00	\$24,860.64	(\$14,589.36)

The forecast donations are doing well. The Initiative Foundation interest is not looked at until the end of the year. The Milfoil donations are very close to the budgeted amount, but there is no idea yet what we will need to spend.

John Rowell also passed out thank you notes that had come in over the winter.

A grant from the City of Emily of \$6300 was obtained and will be paid directly to the provider of services. Cass County also paid Ralala their grant of \$5000 shortly after the first of the year.

John passed out invoices, for business to advertise in the newsletter, to each Board member.

It was noted that if orders are made through Amazon smile a small rebate will be sent to the designated charity, i.e. RALALA

Darril Wegscheid moved to accept the treasurers report, Mikie Walker seconded.

Bob Lee previously had sent a notice to Board members of a proposed vote to remove Denny Neill from the Board, due to his current inability to serve. (This previous memo was sent with a by-laws reference.) It was also noted that the water patrol bank account at the bank is currently in his name and will need to

be transferred to release the funds. Darril Wegscheid motioned to accept the removal of Denny Neill, recognizing his disability. John Rowell seconded the motion. Approved.

Rollie Maki, Roger Brekken and Mikie Walker will have their terms expire this year. All agree to continue serving. The board could use one or two more directors for 2017. Rollie, Roger and Mikie expire at annual mtg this year, they all agree to stay. Could use 1 or 2 more to serve on the board, preferably from other than South Lake Roosevelt. There was a discussion of the history of septic issues locally and the possible effect upon membership. John Rowell moved to nominate Rollie, Roger and Mikie, Darril Wegscheid seconded. Approved.

There was discussion of treating the lake for milfoil invasion and the timing of the annual meeting. Because of the cold spring, the survey for milfoil will be delayed until mid to late June. (there will be a \$1600 fee for the survey.)

Darril Wegscheid said that he would speak to the DNR and Crow Wing County about buoys and speed signs.

There was discussion of the schedule of boating safety classes, water patrol and the Love Our Waters plan by Go North. Go North had requested a donation for the August event and for RALALA to participate in that event. Bob Lee asked about doing the boating class same day, but it is in August. Mary Weihrauch will set up the training date for the water safety class date.

Love Our Waters wants \$300 for their August event and offered a sponsor notice for it. Darril Wegscheid said that we could organize for the event later. Linda VanStraaten moved that we contribute \$300 to Love Our Waters. Darril Wegscheid seconded the motion. Approved.

Darril Wegscheid reported that there is a new Browning 30-06 rifle for the raffle and the Johnson's gun will be used again when two are needed for events. Tickets will be given out at the launching of boats for fishing contests and members will be encouraged to take more tickets at the annual meeting. Gary Langer stated that he still believes that 8 tickets should be sent to members, rather than the 6 sent in the past. Mikie Walker commented that she continues to believe that 6 are sufficient.

Water testing will again be conducted this year—five of the summer months, the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend of the zto WAPOA for sampling. Mikie Walker seconded the motion. Approved.

ACCL is reporting that there is a new AIS, starry stonewort, being found in many lakes. This is a shallow water plant.

Gary Langer reported that there are 6 active members on the AIS committee in Crooked Lake Township. Bob Holman is now chair. They are working with Rima in Cass County which had been slow in getting out a schedule of inspectors for the opener. Gary has installed zemoos at the docks. A sign will be put up at Luschers Park, which the township will pay \$300 for and \$1000 for veliger testing.

Darril Wegscheid noted that it is very difficult to know what is going on in the legislature at this time and the status of the pipeline is up for grabs.

Bob Lee will check with Lloyd Thyen about scheduling an annual meeting at the same time as the Love Our Waters event.

Board meetings were discussed and the fourth Friday of each month was proposed.

Mikie Walker motioned for the meeting to be adjourned. Darril Wegscheid seconded. Approved.

Submitted by Jackie Evans