

RALALA Board Meeting Minutes –Sept. 8 2017

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The RALALA Board of Directors convened at the home of Bob Lee in Emily, Minnesota on September 8 2017. The following members attended: Bob Lee, Jackie Evans, Mikie Walker, Gary Langer, John Rowell. Absent: Roger Brekken, Darril Wegscheid, Linda VanStraaten, Mary Weihrauch, Anne Bonnerup, Rolli Maki. There was no quorum.

Bob Lee called the meeting to order.

It was decided to vote on motions and then seek approval from other board members, electronically.

There was a motion from Mikie Walker to accept minutes and John Rowell.

Roger Brekken asked to be relieved of DNR responsibilities and there was discussion of a replacement. Gary Langer suggested that there be team members for various tasks. There was also discussion of wanting to focus on bringing others on the Board. It was suggested to approach recently retired individuals.

John Rowell presented the treasurers report.

ACCOUNT BALANCES

Checking	\$ 302.34		
Savings	\$ 29,238.77		
Milfoil	\$ 1,742.58		
Total	\$ 31,283.69		
(less fireworks donations	\$ (1,268.62)		
(less 1 st Responder donations	\$ (2,523.50)		
Adjusted Total	\$ 27,491.57		
Paid Memberships	227		
2017 BUDGET INCOME	BUDGET	ACTUAL	DIFFERENCE
Bank Interest	\$10.00		\$10.00
Membership Dues	\$5,500.00	\$5,462.93	\$37.07
Advertising	\$690.00	\$700.00	
Membership Donations	\$4,000.00	\$7,380.44	
Raffle	\$6,000.00	\$7,813.68	
Corporate Donations	\$750.00	\$750.00	
Initiative Foundation Interest	\$1,200.00		\$1,200.00
Milfoil Donaitons/Income	\$10,000.00	\$12,866.63	
Grants	\$11,300.00	\$11,300.00	
TOTALS	\$39,450.00	\$46,273.68	\$1,247.07

Discussion about the budget covered the possibility that membership might actually be 230, a question agreement about total membership but may be as high as 230, a question if all the milfoil expenses were in, and that the DNR intern expenses were budgeted high, they might bill before the end of the month. Savings reflects a \$2000 donation from the Olseth foundation. Another \$2000 is designated for land acquisition.

Mikie Walker moved to accept the report, Gary Langer seconded. Approved

Membership dues are on target. John Rowell is still working on a few, so there will be approximately 230.

Currently 70 newsletters are mailed and 270 are sent electronically. Two were returned from non-members.

There will be some investigation into looking at covering the Big Foot celebration in Remer.

Darril Wegscheid is looking for more brochures. Bob Lee says a lot of the old brochures are obsolete and he will send a new one to the board for approval. John Rowell motioned for reprint the brochures with changes, Jackie Evans seconded. They will print as many as the last order. Approved.

Discussion about suggestions from Dave Lawson for raising money for milfoil treatment.

Fall newsletter—Bob Lee is looking for articles. John Rowell will send an annual donation thank you. and a final year end financial report. Gary Langer suggested that it needs to include where all the money was spent.

Bob Lee has started talking to people about getting a LID

In a discussion of the Crooked Lake Township AIS committee, Gary Langer said there is an initiative from the AIS group to propose an additional \$10,000 (CLT provides \$5000 to the group every year.) This year they spent \$4000. Bob Lee will add this to the newsletter as well as information about getting new board members. Gary Langer thinks every board member should have a responsibility for an initiative.

John Rowell motioned for adjournment, Mikie Walker seconded. Approved.

Submitted by

Jackie Evans