GULL CHAIN OF LAKES ASSOCIATION

Board of Directors’ Meeting

Wednesday, July 12, 2017, Grand View Lodge

Present: Steve Allex, Uldis Birznieks, Bill Brekken, Kevin Egan, Steve Frawley, Rosemary Goff, Linda

 Harrier, Chuck Herrig, John Ingleman, Mary Kay Larson and Bob Toborg.

Absent: Jay Chaney, Robert Eliason, Marv Meyer and Marc Bacigalupi

Guests: Joan Akin, Chad Boesen, Hoot Gibson, and Bill Latour

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

On motion by Toborg, seconded by Herrig the minutes of the June 14, 2017, meeting were approved as read.

**Treasurer’s Report:** As of June 30, 2017, there were cash assets of $183, 403.53 (Including $85,093.74 in the AIS Contingency Fund). Total income from June 1 thru June 30 was $14,210.85 and expenditures were $14,073.11. The treasurer’s report was set aside subject to audit.

**Correspondence:** Thank you from Conservation Minnesota for membership renewal

 Life Link III open house invitation

**News and Notes**: Birznieks reported that:

 - Donations are at 88% of goal

 -Net income is at +$23,000

 - Paid membership is t 934 families

 - Four board member terms expire at the annual meeting: Harrier, Goff and Ingleman

 will seek re-election; Egan will not seek reelection but will volunteer legal services

 pro bono.

**Motion** by Harrier, seconded by Ingleman that Kevin Egan be appointed pro bono legal counsel.

 **Passed**.

 - Presented updated list of committees (see attached).

 - Thanked the Board for all of the work during his three year term.

**ACCL Meeting:** Birznieks presented a summary of the June Assn. of Cass County Lakes June meeting.

 (See attached).

**By-Laws:** Egan presented the amended by-laws.

 **Motion** by Goff, seconded by Frawley that the revised Gull Chain of Lakes Assn. by-laws

 be approved and submitted to the 2017 annual membership meeting for ratification.

 **Passed**

**Annual Meeting:** Birznieks went over the proposed agenda for the annual membership meeting.

**GALA:** Herrig went over dinner and raffle ticket sales and Allex reported that approximately $22,000 in silent donations have been collected. It was decided that a donation be made to the Cadets who are helping with the silent auction.

**AIS Committee:** Allex reported that the DNR has increased the number of inspectors at the boat landings and that he signed the contract with Professional Lake Management for curlyleaf pondweed spraying.

**Communications Committee:** Ingleman reported that the assignments for the summer newsletter were sent to Board members and column are due back by July 28.

**Environment Committee:** Joan Akin was present to talk about the deteriorating condition of Upper Gull which has been experiencing a large amount of blue/green algae since early June. It was suggested that this area be retested and compared with previous tests.

**Safety and Recreation Committee:** Toborg questioned whether GCOLA needs to get involved with bogs that are moving around on parts of the Chain to assure they are moved and staked properly. It was a consensus that GCOLA can help out with the cost of moving bogs.

Boeson reported that they will try to leave most of the buoys in the water until October 15, dependent on the fall weather.

**Nominations Committee:** Egan reported that the committee is still searching among Board members for a new Chair. He placed in nomination the names of Rosemary Goff, Linda Harrier and John Ingleman for reappointment to the Board.

 **Motion** by Egan, seconded by Frawley that Rosemary Goff, Linda Harrrier and John Ingleman be reappointed for three year termson the GCOLA Board. **Passed**

Birznieks presented the Six Month Look Ahead Calendar.

On motion by Toborg, seconded by Goff, the meeting was adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

Minutes recorded by Rosemary Goff