

*FOREST COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF LAKES, INC.*  
*Board of Directors Meeting, May 15, 2015*  
*MINUTES*

The Board Meeting was called to order at 9:03 by Secretary Vi Lamers who declared the Quorum as being met.

Board Members Present: Pat Schultz, John Preuss, Mary Sprenger, Les Schramm, Bruce Court, Larry Sommer, Stu MacPherson, Cliff Haskins, Dennis Koshere, Sue Koshere, Vi Lamers

A motion was made by Sprenger to accept the Agenda, seconded by MacPherson. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Sommer, seconded by Court to approve the Minutes of the last meeting. Motion carried.

Treasurer Sue Koshere presented the financial report for the period of January 1 through April 30 which indicated a balance on hand of \$18,110.16. The Pine Lake donation of \$300 will be shown on next month's report. A motion was made by Sprenger, seconded by Haskins to accept the report. Motion carried. Koshere mentioned that the subscription for "Wisconservation" has been renewed. She requested that President Lamers and she should see what is in the Safe Deposit box at the bank.

Membership is currently at 185 following two mailing by S. Koshere. No renewal was received from Windfall Lake, Whiteye Lake or Northern Lakes, Inc.

OLD BUSINESS

Aquatic Invasive Species: Preuss reported that there is a Clean Boats/ Clean Water class being presented on May 29 from 5-7 pm at the Crandon Public Library. The CBCW forms will be staying the same. There will also be a Garlic Mustard Pull at

the Rifle Range near Crandon. This invasive can overtake the understory of a forest floor if left unchecked.

Essay Contest Update: On Harry Resch's behalf, Schramm presented an update on the essay contest. After evaluating the many essays presented, the evaluators were provided lunch as a thank you from FCAL. Resch requested \$525 in cash for the awards which will be presented at these times: Wabeno May 18<sup>th</sup> at 8:15, Crandon June 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 and Laona June 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:00.

Committee members have been chosen.

The need for a Newspaper Ad for Membership and for Pam LaBine's newsletter was discussed. D. Koshere will work on this.

The Toshiba Computer purchased with FCAL monies was shown. An HP printer was also purchased.

## NEW BUSINESS

FCAL Newsletter: The deadline for submissions of articles is June 15 but the sooner, the better.

Reimbursement for member's costs at events (ex. Pontoon boats, etc.): Board members are encouraged to submit receipts for reimbursement of expenses incurred for FCAL.

A tentative Schedule was made: August 29 for the Fall Forum due to conflicts with the county fair, Labor Day, Art of the Square and the Brush Run, October 10<sup>th</sup> for the Annual Meeting, and Resch will contact the schools to determine a date for the Environmental Field Trip and a raindate.

Membership Addresses: Since the Board voted to have the FCAL monthly minutes sent to all members, a request was made by Lamers for the email addresses from the membership forms.

A Potawatomi Donation of \$2000 was received.

A discussion was held concerning FCAL's purpose and future. Items discussed included the history, the value of knowing what is happening on other lakes and educating the public about topics such as AIS effecting lakes. Board members were encouraged to find new Board members and to talk about the value of FCAL at their lake association meetings. Preuss will be presenting at many meetings as will encourage people to become Board members.

The Audit/ Budget Committee of Kosheres and Sommer will see that an audit is performed and a budget developed.

A letter was received from the Crandon library requesting a donation to support their summer reading program. A motion was made by D. Koshere, seconded by Schultz to donate \$200 to the summer reading program with the funds used to support environmental learning in whatever form the library deems appropriate. Motion carried.

The Annual Meeting was discussed as to the venue and the speaker. Kosheres will check with the casinos to see what their pricing for dinner would be. Discussion was held about a speaker and it was decided that variety is good. Possible speakers mentioned were Marge Gibson from the Antigo Raptor Center, Wild Instincts from Rhinelander Wildlife Rehab, A DNR speaker about bears, and the speaker that from the Wisconsin Lakes Convention about using invasives in recipes.

A motion was made at 10:08 to adjourn by MacPherson, seconded by Koshere. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
FCAL Secretary Vi Lamers