

FOREST COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF LAKES, INC.
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Northwoods Bar & Grill, Pickerel (No ZOOM)
Friday, June 10, 2025

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 12:43 pm by Vice President Greg Schmitz who established a quorum.

Board of Directors & Liaisons Present: Bob Ebben, Greg Schmitz, Clair Carty, Pat Schultz, Mike Henderson, Derek Thorn, Diane Smith, Mark Smith, and Kathy Babcock.

Board of Directors & Liaisons Present on ZOOM: No Zoom Offered

Board of Directors & Liaisons Excused: Vi & Lee Lamers, Mark Orlovsky, Pam Schroeder, Derek Thorn, Kayla Littleton, Jim Zach.

Board of Directors & Liaisons Absent: None.

Guests: None.

Secretary's Report: Motion to accept the minutes from May 16, 2025 was made by Clair Carty, seconded by Diane Smith. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Bob Ebben reported that . . .

- we went over budget with the newsletter. Kathy explained that Kayla's list from the county had about 500 more addresses than the list Steve Kircher provided us with, and that we added another 188 from the list that Kathy compiled.

- he sent out 30 renewal reminders – that plus any new members we get from the newsletter may bring in more dues.

Bob presented the Register Report, Current Budget, and Net Worth. Mark Smith made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Mike Henderson. Motion passed unanimously.

GRANT UPDATES: No report at this time.

LIAISON REPORTS:

Forest County Land and Water Conservation: No report at this time as Kayla presented during the FLOW Annual Meeting.

Lumberjack RC & D: No report at this time as they meet quarterly.

WRISC: No report at this time as Lindsay presented during the FLOW Annual Meeting.

FLOW/AIS: No report at this time as Derek presented during the FLOW Annual Meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Essay Contest (spring)– *Clair Carty*. Clair reported that . . .

- she and Pam presented the essay contest winners with their prizes.

- look to the Forest Republican for a story on this, which will also be on the FCAL website.

Newsletter (spring) – No report at this time.

Kentuck Day (July 26) – *Greg Schmitz and Mark Smith*.

- Mark, Greg, Derek, and maybe Rob (from WRISC) will help set up at 8 am.

- Mike, Mark, Greg, Derek, and Rob (from WRISC) will help take down.

- Greg, Derek, and Rob will work the booth all day; Kathy will work in the morning; Diane and Mark will work from 2-3 pm; usually Vi and Lee work much of the day – Greg will check with them to see if they will be able to work this year.

Fall Forum (August 15) – no report at this time, except Greg mentioned that Jim Zach has confirmed the new warden and Heather Orlovsky will be speakers.

Environmental Day (date in September TBD) - No update at this time.

Annual Meeting (Saturday, October 18 – note change in date) – Bob reported that the rental invoice he received from Wolf River Rendezvous was a deposit to hold the space. He noted that according to Bruce Decora of Wolf River Rendezvous, we will get that back after the event.

By-Laws Review -- No report at this time.

Website: Greg requested again that we send him photos of our lakes and/or activities on them for the website and that each board member check out the FCAL website regularly.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Reminder about Summer FCAL Board of Directors Meetings: Our July and August meetings date and times follow:

July -- in person only (no Zoom) on **Friday, July 11**, immediately following the Six-County Lakes and Rivers Conference at Nicolet College in Rhinelander.

August – in person only on **Friday, August 15** immediately preceding the FCAL Fall Forum at Lake Lucerne Advancement Pavilion on County W in Crandon.

NEXT MEETING – As noted above, our next meeting will be in person only (no Zoom) on **Friday, July 11**, immediately following the Six-County Lakes and Rivers Conference at Nicolet College in Rhinelander. If you do not have a ticket for the Six-County meeting and plan to attend, you can get one by going to the OCLRA (Oneida County Lakes & Rivers Association website). Tickets are required, but they are free.

ADJOURN – Motion to adjourn at 1:31 pm made by Pat Schultz, seconded by Clair Carty. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Babcock