

BDLIA Board of Directors

Minutes

October 31, 2017

Participants: Bill F, Bill B, Mike G, Randy S, Pete H, Mark W, Chuck F, Ron G, Karen H and Ken S.

Excused: Dick E

Guests: Penny P, Information & Education Committee Chair

Minutes

- The September board meeting minutes were approved

Financial

- The September financials were approved
- The John Hancock investment report was reviewed
 - The board was advised that the portion of the funds allocated to the growth sector were moved to the balanced funds
 - Between 2012 and 2014, \$50,000 was invested. This investment is now worth \$65,000, or a gain of 31%

Information and Education Committee

- Chair Penny P gave the report this month
- Highlights of her report:
 - Static display is now at the library
 - Website has been updated
 - November newsletter was mailed on November 3
 - In addition to all members, we have added about 20 names, primarily government officials, to our complimentary mailing list
 - New message board at Haskell street fishing area
 - LBD project ideas – story boards, PR video
 - BDLIA will submit nomination as non-profit of the year

Executive Committee

- Bill F update from the Dodge County LWCC
 - In Town of Trenton, 36% of wells tested failed because of nitrates
 - Lake Emily and BD Lake were approved for county fish stocking grants – won't know amount until later this fall or next spring
- Bill B reported that the Dodge County Healthy Soil - Healthy Water group held a field day for farmers and lake property owners on October 18. The purpose was to show examples of the benefits of various cover crops. While very few lake people attended, those that did stated it was very informative and shows great promise for reducing runoff of sediment and nutrients
- The city of BD is working on projects to improve river flow by removal of sediment and stone that was built up during the flood of '08. The city is considering encouragement of kayaking on the river from BD to Cty Hwy J.

Building and Property Committee

- Maintenance and painting of no-wake buoys will be in the spring

Membership Committee

- Current membership as of October 31 is 354
- 42 expired memberships from July 31 were sent postcards - only 4 responded
- Remainder who have emails (22) will have follow up

Fish Program Committee

- Three stockings this fall of walleye, perch and bluegill
- Lake is getting coverage on some regional fishing shows
- Concern expressed for possible loss of contracted commercial fishing company

Lake Management Committee

- Review of flow of water at dam reflects good management of flow from lake
- Bill F reviewed a lake level chart showing current lake levels and proposed levels. Good support for proposed lake levels. More fact gathering to be done with DNR and then BDLIA will submit request for a change
- Bill F gave update on WRM program results which reflects that external loading of phosphorus from their research accounts for about 26% of total phosphorus.
- Meeting was held with Sue Graham on October 11 to update on work from grant and possible uses of any unused funds
- The association is looking for someone to do 200 hours of boat inspection and education next summer. A DNR grant is available for this and it ties in with our new message boards, one of which is set up at each boat landing for the purpose of boat cleaning

Lake District Committee

- The committee is moving ahead with plans to begin the campaign this fall and submission of the petition in late spring.

Activities and Special Events Committee

- With the question regarding the continuation of Lake Days, other BDLIA event planning for summer activities is on hold

Banquet Committee

- Planning has begun

Solicitation Committee

- The solicitation lists are being updated and solicitation captains being recruited

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 28, 7:00 pm at the Chamber of Commerce Building, 127 S. Spring Street.

Meeting adjourned