

## FOECLA

### Board of Directors Meeting

July 10, 2017

Treasurer Fred Haueter called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. in the Barnes Town Hall.

**Members Present:** Denny Scharlemann, Thom Storm, Ted Eastlund, Jim Krook, Anne Torrey, Kevin Shriver, Barbara Possin

**Excused Absence:** Carl Heltne, Cris Neff, Bob Hershey

**Guest:** Ron Carlson, FOECLA Historian

#### **Proposed Barnes Concert Series:**

Prior to agenda, guest Larry Bergman spoke to the board seeking the organization's participation in creation of a summer music/concert series in Barnes utilizing local talent and regional groups. He is seeking support from area community groups to form a steering committee that would investigate the feasibility of this endeavor. Larry requested support of the FOECLA, to include a representative of FOECLA on the newly formed steering committee.

Motion by A. Torrey and seconded by J. Krook to place this topic on next month's agenda for discussion and decision. Motion carried.

#### **Consent Agenda Item:**

- Minutes of June 12, 2017 meeting

Motion by T. Eastlund, seconded by J. Krook to approve the corrected set of minutes previously sent to board members. Motion carried.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

- Report through May 31, 2017 was distributed to board members
- Current bank balance is \$42,042.56

Motion by J. Krook and seconded by K. Shriver to approve. Motion carried.

#### **Beer Tasting Social:**

- D. Scharlemann and T. Strom reported that the event was a success. The beer distributor did not show up but adjustments were made and the distributor did reimburse Cedar Lodge for the cost of the beer.
- Approximate attendance was 80 people and there was good socialization

## **Annual Meeting:**

- F. Haueter and C. Neff will co-chair meeting in President's absence
- Operational items were reviewed and assignments made
- Board members to arrive between 0730-0800 to assist in set up
- Agenda was approved
- Following exhibits were confirmed:
  - FOECLA
  - LEEP
  - Conservation Club
  - Barnes Aquatic Invasive Species
  - Barnes Area Historical Association (BAHA)
- The question of refreshments was raised. B. Possin noted that previous minutes indicate C. Neff was going to order food from Makis.
- T. Eastlund motioned to give \$100 honorarium to Keith Crowley for his lecture on Gordon MacQuarrie. J.Krook seconded. Motion carried.

## **Bylaw Revision:**

Ron Carlson reviewed major bylaw revisions. In addition to grammatical revisions the following substantial changes were discussed:

- Article III. Members
  - R. Carlson noted that there have been several questions raised about the current membership criteria but he recommends no changes. The reason is that the DNR publication "Model Guidelines for Lake Associations" recommends language that is consistent with the current language. In the event that the FOECLA wants to apply directly to the DNR for a grant it is suggested the current language be retained.
- Article V, Annual Meeting
  - New bylaws meeting notice process has been revised to include "electronic means" as a method of communication
  - Annual meeting quorum revised to "The members present at the annual meeting of the Association shall constitute a quorum"
- Article VI Board of Directors
  - The seventh sentence revised as follows; "They shall meet whenever deemed necessary by The President or a majority (deleted is the phrase "instead of any member") of the Board of Directors"
  - The sentence "Three unexcused absences shall automatically terminate membership of the Board of Directors" is deleted.
- Article VII Voting by Active Membership
  - Sentence revised to allow for voting through electronic communication
- Article XI #3
  - The phrase "or otherwise attempting to influence legislation" was deleted

D. Scharlemann moved to accept the revisions and to present bylaw changes to members at the Annual Meeting. J. Krook seconded. Motion carried.

**Joint Adult Education Event with the Barnes Book Club:**

- The lecture by Emily Stone will be July 24, 2017
  - D. Scharlemann will notify Claire Dugar that the FOECLA will present \$100 honorarium check to the Cable National History Museum as requested by Emily Stone.
  - Cost was budgeted as part of Adult Education Event
  - Flyers for the event have been posted throughout the area
- Brief Discussion of continued relationship with BAHA:
  - Will be on August meeting agenda

**Waterski Ordinance:**

- K. Shriver distributed draft letter written by legal counsel as directed at May 8, 2017 meeting.
- Following a discussion J. Krook motioned and D. Scharlemann seconded that the letter be mailed to the Board Chair and each Town of Barnes board member. Motion carried.

**Nominating Committee:**

- A. Torre and D. Scharlemann recommended addition of Jeri McGinley as a new board member. She is from Stevens Point, and grew up spending time at the Forest Point Resort, owned by her grandparents. She and her husband look forward to retiring in the near future and will reside near the resort. She has a financial background, has served on numerous nonprofit boards, being treasurer for five of them.

Motion by A. Torre, seconded by K Shriver to nominate Jeri McGinley as a new board member. Motion carried.

**County Zoning Meeting: Informational**

- T. Eastlund announced meeting July 30<sup>th</sup>. Information was previously sent via e-mail to board members.

### **Foundation Meeting: Informational**

- J. Krook reported that he attended meeting of Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation that is interested in creating satellite sites to collect financial donations to assist in their grant seeking process.

### **Musings:**

- F. Haueter reminded members that “Musing Articles” are to be e-mailed to C. Heltne

### **Treasurer and Accountant Role:**

- D. Scharlemann reported on her investigation of accountant services that could be purchased from Northwoods Accounting Firm in Hayward to support new Treasurer.
- The recently nominated new board member may be interested in assuming role of Treasurer. F. Haueter stated he is available in a transition role until October.
- Decision tabled until Board Meeting following the Annual Meeting when officers are elected.

### **How should FOECLA invest resources to uphold our mission:**

- Place on August agenda as part of planning for October meeting

### **Open Discussion:**

- Suggestion to consider volunteer of the year and distinguished service award
- Jet Ski Ordinance task force update by T. Eastlund.

Motion by T. Storm and seconded by J. Krook to adjourn. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:20pm

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Possin, Secretary

