

## FRIENDS OF EAU CLAIRE LAKES AREA

FOECLA	<b>Agenda &amp; Minutes</b>
Body:	Board of Directors
Meeting Date:	<b>Friday, December 9, 2022</b>
Meeting Time:	9-11 a.m.
Meeting Place:	Zoom <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84732984279?pwd=eG10N01yTm9EZVQZExQRFJlE4vUT09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84732984279?pwd=eG10N01yTm9EZVQZExQRFJlE4vUT09</a>

	Agenda Items	Minutes
	<b>Call to order</b>	<b>Time:</b> 9 a.m.
<b>1)</b>	<b>Roll Call, Members:</b> Jim Bakken, Wayne Kolberg, Roger Martin, Mike Milliken, Cris Neff, Marty Olson, Marianne Paker, Katherine Stewart, Anne Torrey, Lee Wiesner, Stephen Wilbers	<b>Present:</b> Jim Bakken, Wayne Kolberg, Roger Martin, Mike Milliken, Cris Neff, Marty Olson, Marianne Paker, Katherine Stewart, Lee Wiesner, Steve Wilbers <b>Absent:</b> Anne Torrey
<b>2)</b>	<b>Agenda Acceptance or Revisions</b>	Motion to accept: Martin/Neff; passed.
<b>3)</b>	<b>Minutes Acceptance or Revisions</b> <a href="#">2022 10 14 FOECLA Board Minutes</a>	Motion to approve: Martin/Neff; passed.
<b>4)</b>	<b>Treasurer</b>	
a)	<a href="#">Treasurer's report</a>	Stewart reported that our current level of allocations vs. income is not sustainable.
b)	<a href="#">Budget vs Actuals 2022</a>	We're down from three to two people on payroll. Of our \$13,200 total "Financial Support" contributions, \$9,200 goes to AIS Barnes/Bayfield Co., \$1,000 to Clean Boats/Clean Waters (CBCW/Barnes), and \$3,000 to Student Scholarships. There were questions and discussion regarding the AIS and CBCW contributions, with Bakken noting that invasives are likely to become more of an issue in the coming years.
c)	<a href="#">Overview FY 2023</a>	Stewart reported we can anticipate drawing down our balance in 2023. Contributions to Town will likely be reduced in 2024.
<b>5)</b>	<b>Executive</b>	
a)	<a href="#">Mooney Dam Campground expansion: Letter of Concern</a>	The proposed campground is not moving forward at this point. A new public landing is now the priority for safety reasons.
b)	12 <sup>th</sup> Board member needed	We discussed whether Bill Torgurson, a retired geologist, might be interested in serving. Follow-up?
<b>6)</b>	<b>Water Quality</b>	
a)	Volunteers needed at public landings	No action; the board will continue discussing.
b)	<a href="#">AIS Talk on Spiny Waterfleas by Zack Stewart?</a>	We discussed whether we should schedule Zack Stewart as a speaker at our July Annual meeting.
<b>7)</b>	<b>Membership</b>	
a)	2023 December Membership Letters	Paker reported on the 500-piece membership mailing and encouraged Board members to add their personal notes and get their letters in the mail right away, noting the need to increase member donations.

<b>8)</b>	<b>Education</b>	
a)	Update on LEEP	Neff reported on progress updating a 249-page <a href="#">LEEP curriculum module</a> for non-teacher professionals.
b)	August Educational Event: Volunteer to manage?	Martin suggested we may be overscheduling with this event. The board discussed ways to reach out to prospective members with more emphasis on the <a href="#">June 16-18 Taste of Barnes</a> event.
<b>9)</b>	<b>Communications</b>	
a)	FOECLA website & Spring Newsletter: Volunteers needed to manage	PayPal software on our website has now been repaired by Jeri McGinley. Martin volunteered to manage production of the Spring Newsletter, with Bill Stewart assisting with layout. Kathy Stewart compiled a list of story ideas (linked to the newsletter of the <a href="#">Washburn County Lakes &amp; Rivers Association</a> ) and encouraged members to come up with more ideas. Wilbers volunteered to proofread newsletter copy. At this point, no one has committed to spearheading article acquisitions and managing content. (See <a href="#">Jeri McGinley's summary of communication needs</a> and <a href="#">Wilbers' summary of Nov. 10 Communications meeting</a> for website, Constant Contact, newsletter, and Facebook needs.)
b)	Musings & DYK articles: Volunteers to write?	Wilbers is working on an DYK article on Dark Skies. Wiesner volunteered to gather photos and information about founders. More volunteer writers are needed. (See <a href="#">list of past articles</a> for ideas.)
<b>10)</b>	<b>New Business</b>	
a)	Conditional use permits for second dwellings	Bill Stewart and Carol LaBrecht attended a meeting in which the Town voted 3-2 to issue a conditional use permit.
b)	<a href="#">Unsolicited offers to purchase land</a>	K. Stewart noted that these offers are common, are usually significantly lower than the property's true value, and may put unsuspecting property owners at risk.
c)	Ideas for celebrating FOECLA's 50 <sup>th</sup> year anniversary in 2023?	Discussion to be continued.
d)	Upcoming meetings: Zoom meeting: <b>Friday January 27, 9-11 a.m.</b> Next regularly scheduled Board meeting: <b>April 14, 9-11 a.m., Town Hall</b>	
<b>11)</b>	<b>Adjournment</b>	<b>Time: 1 p.m.</b>