

MINUTES
KLA BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, July 11, 2022

The July,11, 2022, KLA Board Meeting was called to order at Laporte School Media Center, at 8:33am by President Ingrid Bey.

Board members present: Ingrid Bey, Lee Weinmann, Stef Westphal, Maddy Lawrence, Paul Ullring, Sarah Carlson. Via Zoom: Nick Rogge, Mike Dudley, Tony Fiacchino

Committee Leads/Coordinators/Liaisons present: Rolf Smeby, Catherine Holmgren, Sam Holmgren, Kathy Brown, Darlene Hibbs

Previous Board Meeting's Minutes

- The May 2, 2022, board meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report

- Lee presented the Treasurer's Report for June, 2022. It was unanimously approved.

COMMITTEE/GROUP/LIASON REPORTS

Membership

- The annual picnic on Saturday, June 11, 2022, had 117 attendees. 35 members renewed their memberships during the picnic. We collected \$1,175 in dues at the door. The rest of the attendees had previously paid.
- The KLA mailed out 40 hard copies of the KLA spring newsletter to those who haven't declared an email address. A letter was included that informed them that this would be the last hard copy mailing they would receive as KLA members. The KLA has gone paperless to save trees, money and volunteer hours.
- Membership stats January 1 - June 30, 2022
 - 177 members are current on dues
 - 85 have paid this year
 - 8 new members have signed up this year
 - 344 KLA members are on record since 2018
- Discussion was held about raising KLA membership dues
- A motion was made to change the dues to \$30 per year and \$50 for 2 years to start in 2023. It was unanimously passed.

- A proposal was made to have those who pay or renew membership dues through the end of September make their membership dues apply to the current year, rather than the following calendar year. There was no dissension to this idea.

Lake Management Team

- Wade Massuer, the new DNR Fshing Supervisor out of Park Rapids, said that they are looking at making our walleye limit the same as Leech Lake because our lake feeds into Leech Lake. There will be an opportunity for public discussion before it takes effect.

Septic

- The septic rebate program (began in 2005) is funded by grants from KLF. \$60 rebates for KLA members who are lakeshore residents are available, if requested. \$30 rebates are available for non-member lakeshore residents. 33 rebates are averaged per year. 4 rebates have been paid to date.

HC COLA

- Water Quality: Precipitation for June was 4". High air temp in June was 96F. Low temp was 37F. Water temp ranged from 54F to 68F during the month. Lake level ranged from 4 feet 1/2 inch to 4 feet 2 1/2 inches. It is a foot higher than last year. Water clarity is 15 feet. That's really good for July, compared to past years.
- The next HC COLA meeting is on July 28th and is open to anyone to attend. The speaker will be on Starry Stonewort, an aquatic invasive specie.

New Business

- Organizational plans for the annual meeting are underway. The KLA will hold it at Laporte School on Saturday, August 6th. The doors will open 8am to those who are able to assist with set-up. Please stay for clean up and the board meeting following it.
- Spencer Rettler from the Minnesota Loon Restoration Project will be the speaker. He is with the DNR. This restoration project program is funded by the money from the oil spill project.
- There will also be a lead tackle collection, water testing for nitrates, and Reduce/Reuse Days before and after the meeting.
 - Sue Schiess has volunteered to join the KLA board and will take on the treasurer's job. Thank you Lee for your 6 years of dedicated service! Sue looks forward to Lee's training.

KLA Picnic Recap

- Regarding the 50/50 game, \$238 was won by Rosy Albers. The other half, \$239, went to the KLA.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:38am.