

Big Sand Lake Association Board Meeting
June 6, 2014, 12:00-2:00

The Big Sand Lake Association Board met on June 6, 2014, at Candy Malm's residence. President Candy Malm called the meeting to order at 12:00. Other board members present were: Karen Nelson, Rich Jacobson, Al Judson, Tom VanBruggen, Tim Conely, Richard Sederstrom, Cynthia Jones, Barb Kimer, and Jo Judson. Irene Weis, COLA representative, was also present.

Board Positions: Discussion was held regarding board positions. The following board members have chosen not to continue on the board: Cynthia Jones, Bob Klepinski, Terry Klepinski, Cindy Rehkamp, Todd Zimmerman, Marlene Fairchild, and Heather Wittman. We extend a big thank you to each of them for their years of service. The following have been contacted and have consented to be nominated to the board for election at the annual meeting: Scott Preuse, Bonnie Brand, Aaron Roseth, Ellis Jones, Beth Krueger, Bill Eichten, and Irene Weis, along with Tom VanBruggen and Barb Kimer for reelection.

Board Offices: The following have agreed to serve as officers, pending the annual meeting: President – Richard Jacobson, President Elect – (unfilled), Past President – Candy Malm, Secretary – Jo Judson, Treasurer – Al Judson, COLA representative – Irene Weis.

Annual Meeting Agenda: The annual meeting will be held Saturday, June 28, 2014, at Evergreen Resort with registration and visiting beginning at 10:00 and the meeting starting at 10:30. Following the meeting there will be a picnic lunch catered by The Good Life Café. Discussion was held regarding the agenda for the meeting. Irene will contact the following people to speak and answer questions: Melodee of Friends of the Headwaters regarding the pipeline, Tony Walzer of the DNR regarding the public access, and Kathy Grell regarding the Bark Beetle at the park east of Big Sand on Co. Rd. 7. We discussed having display tables for COLA, Friends of Headwaters, Friends of Itasca, Unknown Legends, and Terry Klepinski for a native plant display. Cynthia and Al will be at the registration table for checking on and collecting dues. Barb will contact Paul Shoemaker to see if he can be available at the meeting to update members' information on the website. Candy, Linda Conely, and Beth Kruger will be doing registration. The tables, chairs, microphone, and trailer have been ordered from R & R Rental. The coffee and rolls have been ordered. A blast email will be sent out with the agenda for the meeting, the minutes from last year's annual meeting, and the treasurer's report. It was agreed that a straw poll will be taken at the meeting to indicate how many members would like to go paperless or not paperless with Big Sand mailings.

Treasurer's Report: Al Judson reported that we have \$5,782.32 in checking, \$12,104.62 in Money Market, for a total of \$17,886.94. At this time there are 88 members. The financial statement from the Big Sand Lake Charitable Fund shows total net assets of \$42,814.28 in the Charitable Fund.

M/S/P Cynthia/Richard S. to accept the treasurer's report.

AIS Inspection Hours: Discussion was held regarding increasing the hours for the AIS inspector at the access due to contributions from members for this purpose. No action was taken.

Web Cam: There was discussion regarding the purchase of a second web cam. Barb reported that it could cost around \$1200. A decision was put on hold until another meeting.

AIS Training: Candy attended the AIS training on Saturday, June 7, conducted by Meredith Keller of the DNR. The DNR is seeking volunteers from lake residents for the purpose of inspecting lakes for about 15 different AIS symptoms. The idea is to divide the lake into quadrants, or smaller sections, and to train volunteers to inspect the lake in those sections. Data would be collected and submitted to a statewide website.

Public Access Bulletin Board: Carol Zimmerman continues to take care of the public access bulletin board.

COLA Meeting: Big Sand is one of the lakes scheduled to serve refreshments at the next COLA meeting. Candy and Irene will bring treats.

Adjournment: President Candy Malm adjourned the meeting at 2:10 P.M.

Email M/S/P Barb/Jo that, based on the response to the AIS plea, inspection hours be increased by 100 hours.
Respectfully Submitted, Jo Judson, Secretary