Gull Lake Quality Organization GLQO 2021 Annual Meeting and Board of Directors Meeting Minutes October 12, 2021

Carriage House Classroom, Kellogg Biological Station

Call to order: 7:00 pm Quorum declared: YES

Board Attendance: Sera Gesmundo, Gary Mittelbach, Katherine Gross, Rick Hebert,

Margo Rebar, Steve Keith, John Etzcorn, Doug Smith, Brook Wilke

Absent: Dustin Perrin, Linda Shierlaw, Martin Ranly, Don Paulson

Guests: Eric Reed, Paul Hauseler (virtually via ZOOM)

Welcome (Kay Gross, GLQO President)

Kay opened the meeting by welcoming Board members and guests.

Approval of Aug 10, 2021 Meeting Minutes:

Motion to approve minutes: S. Gesmundo Seconded: J. Etzcon

Approved: Unanimous

Water Quality and Gull Lake Aquatic Plant Survey 2021 Report:

John Etzcorn gave a brief update on water quality sampling conducted in Gull and Little Long Lakes over summer 2021. The GLQO continued to participate in the statewide Cooperative Lakes Monitoring Program (CLMP) in 2021. John E. headed up water quality sampling in Little Long Lake and Mike Gallagher did the same in Gull Lake. Water quality measures collected included: dissolved oxygen and temperature (by depth), Total Phosphorous and chlorophyll (a measure of algal abundance). All variables were in the normal range and a summary of the 2021 water quality data will be provided in the Winter 2022 GLQO newsletter.

John then introduced Mr. Paul Hausler, from Progressive AE, who joined the meeting via ZOOM. Progressive AE is the firm contracted by the GLQO to conduct a whole lake survey of aquatic plants in Gull Lake in August 2021. Paul described the methods used by the Progressive AE team to quantify the abundance of different aquatic plant species in Gull Lake and in particular to assess the location and abundance of any invasive species. The Progressive AE report is posted on the GLQO website and the results will be summarized in the Fall 2021 GLQO newsletter. Future recommended actions by Progressive AE to control the spread of invasive aquatic plants in Gull Lake

include: expanding treatment of Starry Stonewart and Eurasian Milfoil in 2022 to areas near the Prairieville Township Park boat landing and scheduling whole lake surveys every other year, beginning in ?????.

Fall Fling Fundraiser Report:

Rick Hebert provided a brief report on the GLQO Fall Fling Fundraiser held at the Gull Lake Country Club (GLCC) on Sunday September 26th. The event was well attended (226 tickets sold) and everyone agreed it was a great success, both as an opportunity for GLQO members to gather socially and as a fund raiser. Several local businesses contributed gifts that were raffled off to ticket purchasers and also contributed funds to support the event. Total income was \$9742 and expenses \$5465.98; so a net income of \$4274.02. Rick thanked the organizing committee (Sera G., Doug S. and Sarah Miller) and everyone who helped with the event. The Board agreed that we should hold a similar event next fall.

Treasurer's report:

Treasurer's report was made available to the Board via e-mail as Don Paulson was unable to attend the meeting.

Motion to approve treasurer's report: Brook W. Second: G. Mittelbach

Treasurer's report approved unanimously

Law Enforcement Committee:

The Board agreed to change the name of the Law Enforcement Committee to the Boating Safety Committee to better reflect the committee's function. Joe Lukeman provided an update of 2021 marine patrol activities on Gull Lake and will summarize this in an article in the Fall 2021 GLQO newsletter. Joe noted that the DNR has expressed concern about the number of buoys placed by GL riparian's attempting to keep boats from coming too close to their docks. There are rules governing the placement of such buoys and violaters can be fined. A future article in the GLQO newsletter will address this issue. Joe expressed the sentiment that "education is our role".

New Business:

Kay suggested that we form two new GLQO committees: a Finance Committee (chaired by Treasurer, Don Paulson) and a Nominating Committee(to be chaired by Vice President Steve Keith). The Fiance Committee will develop the annual GLQO budget and review/make recommendations regarding unexpected expenditures. They will also develop procedures for tracking contributions (dues payments) that provides appropriate oversight. The Nominating Committee will develop a slate of candidates for Board membership. Both new committees were approved by the Board and Kay will work to appoint and charge the two new committees.

Meeting adjourned: 8:30 pm

Upcoming Board Meetings and events: The date of the November/December meeting will be determined via email poll of the membership to avoid conflicts with travel. There will be the option to attend virtually (via Zoom). Proposed 2022 meeting dates and key agenda items are listed below. Winter meetings may be held via Zoom instead of at KBS. Meeting times are 7-9pm.

2022

January No meeting

February No meeting WINTER Newsletter

March 8 KBS Carriage House Classroom- Board meeting

April No meeting

May 10 (T) KBS Carriage House Classroom - Board meeting

SPRING Newsletter

June 14 (T) KBS Carriage House Classroom- Board meeting

July (TBD)

August 9 KBS Carriage House Classroom- Annual Meeting

New board members elected

September TBD Fall Fling Fundraiser New Board member Welcome

SUMMER Newsletter

October 11(T) KBS Carriage House Classroom- Board meeting

November 8(T) KBS Carriage House Classroom- Board meeting

FALL Newsletter

December (TBD) Holiday Party/Open House?