

**Gull Lake Quality Organization**  
GLQO Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

May 10, 2022

Carriage House Classroom, Kellogg Biological Station

**Call to order:** 7:00 pm

**Quorum declared:** YES

**Board Attendance:** Katherine Gross, Gary Mittelbach, Don Paulson, Rick Hebert, Sera Gesmundo, John Etzcorn, Margo Rebar, Steve Keith, Brook Wilke, Dustin Perrin

**Absent:** Martin Ranly, Joe Lukeman

**Guest:** Fischer Jax

**Approval of March 22, 2022 Meeting Minutes:**

Comment/correction to the minutes received from D. Paulson. Approved as revised

**Boat Wash Update:** Dustin Perrin provided an update on the status of the GL boat wash, along with plans for staffing in summer 2022 and introduced Fischer Jax as the new boat wash coordinator. Fischer provided the Board with a brief summary of his work experience. The Board welcomed Fischer to his new position and we look forward to working with him. Dustin noted that he has been having some trouble in getting the necessary paperwork from Prarieville Township to hire boat wash staff for the summer. Kay Gross offered to help with this.

**Treasurer's report:**

Treasurer Don Paulson presented and reviewed the treasurer's report.

Motion to approve treasurer's report: R. Hebert Second: S. Gesmundo

Treasurer's report approved unanimously

**Membership Committee Report:**

Margo Rebar noted that there are 348 current members, including 20 lifetime members. Some 80 members from 2021 have not yet renewed for 2022. We discussed e-mailing these former members again to remind them to renew for 2022.

**Outreach Committee Report:**

Rick Hebert reported that the Gull Lake Living magazine will be running a short article on the GLQO (including a call to help support the GLQO). The moto will be "Keep it Clean". The committee is also developing a brochure on the GLQO to distribute to local realitors to include with their materials to potential home buyers. This year's Fall Fling will be on September 25<sup>th</sup> at the Gull Lake Country Club (GLCC). Tickets will be \$40. Expenses for the event will be higher than in 2021. However, we may be able to reduce our costs if we can get a more

accurate count of the number of people attending to the GLCC ahead of the event. Sera G. noted that Sarah Miller will again be helping us plan and stage the event.

### **Water Quality Committee Report:**

John Etcorn provided a summary of the 2021 results from our participation in the Cooperative Lakes Monitoring Program (CLMP). These results were collected over the summer of 2021 by John Etcorn in Little Long Lake and Mike Gallagher in Gull Lake. Water quality trends in 2021 were similar to previous years (no big changes) and both lakes show high water quality. John and Mike have volunteered to collect CLMP data again in summer 2022.

Invasive species monitoring and treatment in Gull Lake will be conducted in 2022 by our consultants at Progressive AE and PLM. The first invasive species survey is scheduled for June 6<sup>th</sup> and will focus on areas where Starry Stonewort and Eurasian Milfoil were detected in Gull Lake in summer 2021. Based on the results of the survey, treatment protocols will be developed and implemented in June 2022.

There was some discussion about wake-surf boats, as this was a major topic of discussion at the spring meeting of the Michigan Lakes and Streams conference. There was also discussion of new methods used by Kaiser Associates to remove invasive plant species (particularly Starry Stonewort) via diver-assisted suction.

### **Fisheries Committee:**

Brook Wilke noted that discussion of potential slot-limits for Northern Pike in Gull Lake is moving slowly. Brook hasn't heard of any plans for fish stocking in Gull Lake in 2022. The theme for the GLQO annual meeting (August 2022) will be fisheries in Gull Lake and Matt Diana (MDNR fisheries biologist) has been asked to speak at the meeting.

### **Communications Committee:**

Gary Mittelbach reported that the Winter/Spring GLQO newsletter included articles about the U of Minnesota study on wake-surf boats, an update on Boat Wash and staffing needs for summer 2022, a "natural history piece" on disappearing Zebra mussels in Little Long Lake and an news acticle from the MDNR about spring fish kills. The results of the U of Minn. wake-surf boat study are posted on the GLQO website/facebook page and have received a lot of visits.

### **Nominating Committee:**

Steve Keith presented an update on potential new Board members identified and contacted by the Nominating Committee. The Board will discuss which potential new members we want to invite to join the Board at our June meeting and will vote on new Board members at the August annual meeting.

### **New Business:**

**Task Force to Review the consent agreement governing the Prairieville Park boat launch on Gull Lake** – Kay Gross reported that membership of the Task Force has been finalized and that things are moving forward.

**Meeting adjourned: 8:45 pm**

**Upcoming Board Meetings and events:** Proposed 2022 meeting dates and key agenda items are listed below. Meetings are 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month, 7-9pm unless otherwise notes

June 20 (M) July (TBD)	KBS Carriage House Classroom- Board meeting
August 9	KBS Carriage House Classroom- Annual Meeting <i>New board members elected</i> <i>SUMMER Newsletter</i>
September 25	<i>Fall Fling Fundraiser</i> <i>New Board member Welcome</i>
October 11(T) November 8(T)	KBS Carriage House Classroom- Board meeting KBS Carriage House Classroom- Board meeting <i>FALL Newsletter</i>
December (TBD)	<i>Holiday Party/Open House?</i>