Gull Lake Quality Organization

GLQO Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

March 14, 2023

Carriage House Classroom, Kellogg Biological Station

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

Board Attendance: Katherine Gross, Gary Mittelbach, Sera Gesmundo, Steve Keith, Margo

Rebar, Brook Wilke, Joe Lukeman, Tom Belco, Andy Widner

Absent: Dustin Perrin, Don Paulson, Jay Wesley, Pete Hawk, Randy Curtenius

Approval of November 8, 2022, Meeting Minutes:

Approved as written

Treasurer's report:

Andy Widner presented the proposed 2023 GLQO budget. Discussion followed. Motion to approve the 2023 budget by Sera Gesmundo, second by Brook Wilke, motion approved unanimously. Andy also presented the treasurer's report, as Don Paulson (treasurer) was absent. 2022 ended with a budget surplus, which will be used to cover anticipated increased spending in 2023 for outreach activities (e.g., new GLQO brochure). Motion to approve Treasurer's report by Margo Rebar, second by Gary Mittelbach, motion approved unanimously.

Water Quality Committee Report: Chair Gary Mittelbach reported that the GLQO has again contracted with Progressive AE to survey Gull Lake for invasive plant species in June 2023. The results of this survey will guide treatments by Progressive Lake Management to control invasive species over the summer. Joe Lukeman requested that the dates and locations of invasive species treatments be posted on the GLQO Facebook page as soon as they become available so that Gull Lake riparians are aware. Gary Mittelbach agreed to follow up with PLM to make this happen.

Boater Safety Committee Report: Chair Joe Lukeman noted that he was pleased to see the updates to the Boating Safety page on the GLQO website. A short discussion followed as to whether or how the GLQO could support boater safety training, perhaps in collaboration with another organization. Links to information about boating safety courses are included in our website. Joe will look into what options may be available for providing a more 'hands on' experience.

Nominating Committee: Chair Sera Gesmundo noted that five of the current GLQO board members will be retiring from the board in 2023. The nominating committee has identified four potential new board members and Sera provided a brief summary of their experiences and interests. A formal motion to approve the new board members will be presented at the May 2023 GLQO board meeting.

New Business:

Newsletter. The Spring and Summer 2023 GLQO Newsletter will be a combined issue to be published prior to the June Annual meeting at KBS. Potential newsletter articles include: Boat wash update and ad for summer help, Annual meeting announcement, article highlighting the cost of treating invasive species in Austin Lake, and plans to conduct a "Score the Shore" survey of Gull and Little Long Lakes in 2024. Gary Mittelbach will coordinate gathering up articles for the newsletter and Eric Reed will do the layout.

Bylaws. Kay has been working to update the GLQO bylaws and will be meeting with Jeff Segal, an attorney with Warner, Norcross + Judd, on these revisions.

Meeting adjourned: 8:30 pm

Upcoming Board Meetings and events:

May 14 Board meeting; KBS Carriage House Classroom

June 13 GLQO Annual Meeting, KBS Manor House

July No meeting planned; committees meet as needed

August 8 HOLD Board meeting – finalize plans for "Fall Fling"

September "Fall Fling" – GLCC, date TBD

October 10 Board meeting; KBS Carriage House Classroom

November 14 Board meeting; KBS Carriage House Classroom