

WLCL Board Meeting

Wednesday May 28, 2025

Minutes

Board Members present: Karen Pinagel, Chuck Neville, Larry D'Angelo, Chris Wichers, Mike Genter, Paul Richards, Frank Dyson, John Millington, Shelley Kirschner, Scott Trudell, Joan Cooper, David Reid

Absent: Andrea Schemanske, Denise Laflame

Guests; Barb Richards, Elizabeth Millington, Sean Whelan, Jamie Horn, Sara Horn, Jen Genter, Rick Scorey, Wendy Tibus, Joe Tibus

Bring Meeting to order at 6:32

Approve Minutes

Motion by Mike Genter and second by Paul Richards to approve minutes as written. Motion unanimously approved.

Prior Member Recognition

Joe Tibus was presented a plaque in recognition of 5 years as President

Linda Smallwood and David Reid were presented a plaque in recognition of 8 years as Board members

Financial Report-Chuck Neville

May 2025 cash receipts totaled \$26,167.51. This included \$11,901 for memberships & donations, \$5,866 from drawings, \$4,609 from merchandise sales, \$3,672 for pancake breakfast ticket sales and \$119 for interest. **May 2025 cash disbursements** totaled \$7,827.95. This included \$ 134 for credit card fees, \$3,781 for merchandise purchases, \$3,811 for pancake breakfast expenses (Chris Cakes, table decorations & music) as well as \$100 for recognition plaques for prior board members. As a result, the cash balance grew from \$73,356 to \$91,696 at the end of May 2025. (The May 2024 data does not include the Memorial Day Pancake Breakfast since it occurred after the May 2024 Board meeting. Therefore, the May 2024 data is not really a good comparison.)

May 2025 Year to date cash receipts total \$54,581 vs \$20,257 for the same period last year. The \$34,000 increase in receipts reflects \$8,670 more in memberships & donations, \$14,765 more in drawings, \$4,000 more in merchandise sales, \$2,800 more in pancake ticket sales, as well as \$2,400 from new fundraising activities as well as \$600 more interest income. May 2025 year to cash disbursements total \$10,800 vs \$7454 for the same period last year. The \$3,400 increase in disbursements reflects \$3,900 for the full cost of the pancake breakfast as well as \$2,000 for the cost of new fundraising activities and \$200 higher credit card fees. These higher disbursements were substantially offset by \$3,000 lower costs for merchandise in 2025. Note that the ending cash balance for May 2025 of \$91,696 is \$33,000 more than the cash balance in May 2024.

Joan Cooper made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report, Second by Mike Genter. Report was unanimously approved.

The 2024 financial information was reviewed with Rick Scorey, Sara Horn and Paul Richards on May 7, 2025. They found the financial records to be reasonable and acceptable. They confirmed that the reported cash balance was consistent with bank statements. They suggested that the treasurer not be allowed to sign checks to improve controls over disbursements. Rather they suggested checks should be signed by the Secretary or President after they are prepared by the Treasurer. Chuck Neville to bring a proposal about how the process would work to the Board for review and approval.

Apparel-Elizabeth Millington

Light blue terry hoodies are completely sold out. Approximately 15 people have requested a terry hoodie. Black visor stock is also very low as well as navy & white ¾ zips. Requested authority to purchase more apparel. Chuck Neville made motion to authorize up to \$1,700 of additional apparel purchases. Second by Karen Pinagel. Motion unanimously approved

Membership-Barb Richards

320 members currently including 69 members who joined at the pancake breakfast. Approximately 25 flags are not delivered. The 2 most frequent membership & donation amounts are \$100 and \$50. There were approximately 20 people who wanted second flags at the pancake breakfast. We do not have a specific policy. Many were told no until later in the year when most people have already joined. There was discussion of should we have a policy that a second flag requires a specified amount of donation and should such a policy be published. There was discussion of should the amount for a second flag be in the \$135-\$150 range. Some felt we should publish the amount to encourage higher membership donations and to not offend people who have previously been told second flags are not available. There was also concern that we could run out of flags and suggestion that we would say second flags are available as long as supplies last. To keep the meeting moving the decision was to ask a small group to develop a proposal and present it to the board.

Pancake Breakfast

405 people were served, merchandise sold very well, drawings were very successful, 69 people paid memberships. The event was very successful and the crowd stayed through out the event. There was lot of positive feedback about the event.

Weed Control-Frank Dyson & John Millington

Survey of lake for status of weeds to be done within a week with AquaWeed. Copper sulfate cannot be used on algae until after June 30 again this year. Karen Pinagel asked that AquaWeed be asked to do the weed treatment in a slow, controlled manner to ensure proper application. Frank is still meeting with EGLE representatives to see if we can have additional latitude in treating eelgrass.

Goose Busters

The second collection of eggs has been done. We are awaiting the billing to find out the total number of nests and eggs removed.

There are still a substantial number of goslings that were hatched this year.

Fireworks-Karen Pinagel

Permit paper work has been submitted. Price is \$30,000 for 2025. At this time due to tariff uncertainties there is no amount set for 2026.

Fundraising & Communication Team – Chris Wickers

A bowling event is planned for Sept 27th. The next euchre tournament is planned for October 24th. There will be 3-4 drawing items for each event. Still in need of a couple of items to have enough items. There will be wine baskets for both. For euchre there is a sightseeing flight, Shinola Clock, 18 holes of golf with cart for 4 people at Brentwood. For bowling there is 2 hrs. of beacon golf simulator and a necklace.

Fishing Tournament-Scott Trudell

Tournament is June 7th. Boats must have a member on board. A member may have 2 boats in the tournament if the second boat is operated by a minor of the same household. Please come to the weigh in at the WLI docks at noon.

Sailboat Races-David Reid

June 2nd is expected to be the first race. Many boats were not ready the Memorial Day week.

Home Tour

Only 1 home committed at this point. Still need and understudy. Decision on holding the event will be made at next board meeting. Wendy requested assistance to find homes.

Elections

Board members agreeing to stand for election are Chuck Neville, Shelley Kirchner, Scott Trudell, Denise Laflamme. Sean Whelan and Sarah Horn were also nominated for open Board positions. Chuck Neville made a motion to close nominations. Chris Wichers seconded the motion. Motion was unanimously approved. All nominees were unanimously elected to the Board.

Board members nominated Karen Pinagel for President (2yr term), Chuck Neville for Treasurer (2 yr term) Sarah Horn for Secretary to complete the remaining year of Karen Pinagel's term as secretary. Officers were unanimously elected.

New Business-David Reids Replacement/Responsibilities & White Lake Improvement Board Adjournment

David Reed reviewed the roles he currently handles. Web site maintenance, e-newsletter prep and distribution, maintain web site support with Web hero, monitor emails related to website, assist with membership database maintenance and google drive block captain reports. Also handled 2024 and 2025 annual newsletter. David will continue to help with support. However, there is an urgent need to find new person for web site maintenance and the e-newsletters. Shelley Kirchner to discuss web maintenance with her son. Karen to discuss e-newsletters with communications team.

Chuck Neville advised that the Progressive limnological study would require a resident notice and public hearing to be covered in the WLIB SAD funds. Since there will be a renewal in 2026. He recommended that the Progressive Limnological study be postponed and included in 2026 SAD renewal.

Mike Genter requested that the Board members bring suggestions about how the additional funding that fundraising activities are bringing in could be put to use for benefit of the lake residents.

Chuck Neville made motion to close the meeting Second by Karen Pinagel. Unanimously approved. Meeting closed at 8:40