

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

DATE: September 21 2024  
Elders Lodge

PRESENT: Co-President Kate O'Hara, Co-President Sylvia Hillier, Past President Dave Clark  
Secretary Sandy Nash, Treasurer Livia Vodenicar  
Event Committee Natalie Corbin, Theresa Rasp,

Membership, Julie Callon, Krista Jones  
Director Rob Bryce

Regrets: Mathew Ingram, Janet Cottreau, Allison Wood,  
Lake Steward Don Bishop, Toni McLeod

Welcome/Call to Order by Kate O'Hara @9:09 a.m.

MOTION: To approve the August 10 2024 Minutes.

MOVED: Dave Clark                      SECONDED: Theresa Rasp  
CARRIED

### TREASURER'S REPORT:

- Savings \$11,000.00 Fish Committee .
- Chequing \$ 14,996.00
- Membership fees 5700.00 still more to be deposited.
- Expenses = \$15,000.00
- Each account having a couple expenses each to be withdrawn from cheques yet to be posted.
- See attached Financials
- Inventory of promo/fundraising material for Fish Committee
- Sales so far \$4,000.00 Fish committee Material.
- Travel expenses to be pre-approved if a large amount is to be requested.
- FOCA Membership still to come see other business.

MOTION: To accept the Treasurers' Report

MOVED: Kate O'Hara                      SECONDED: Julie Callon                      CARRIED

## COMMITTEE REPORT

### Corporate Sponsorship and Events Theresa Rasp

- At this time there is not much to report for our Corporate Sponsors. We have only two sponsors still to pay their 2024 fee which should be cleared up this week.
- In order to have a timely newsletter out to our members for both the Winter and Spring editions, it is recommended we move up the deadlines by at least two weeks. The all-important Spring newsletter should be printed in time for our canvassers to have in their kits for the May long weekend. Jennifer Rasp will again build our newsletters for 2025.
- Theresa recommending we have a large print order done for GLPOA blank cards - these can be sent to sponsors to thank them personally for their commitment and investment in our association. They can also be used by other committees where needed. Theresa will get quotes for printing at least 500 cards.
- Another way to show our appreciation to our Sponsors would be to invite them to our Appreciation dinner.

### **Events Theresa Rasp and Natalie Corbin**

- **Events committee report Sept 2024**
- Regatta 17 August 2024– we were going to cancel between poor weather forecast and low sign up, but with the help of NAW it went forward. Present was the NAW Lending hub, and OPP who ensured no boats came near shore. Approx. 13 folks all paddled to Dave Clark's on Rocky Point and back to Island View. Everyone got a prize. Possibility to repeat event in 2025; partner with NAW - they run the races, we promote and get prizes.
- Music on the lake 24 August 2024 – 35 boats on the water at one count, so this was a success considering it was promoted for only one week! Weather was good as well. 1pm till 5pm – prizes given out for best decorated boats and floats
- Volunteer Appreciation Dinner – 16 August 2024 - had 43 in attendance, only slightly smaller turnout for last minute change of date from a Saturday to a Friday night.
- **2025 Events Planning**
  - 20th Anniversary celebrations throughout the year
  - New banner/pop-up banners with a 20th anniversary logo (Jenn to create?) to use at all events
  - January/February/March 2025 – Skating Loop

- New lights in middle of skating area; no “grand opening” date, just FB updates as to its status
- Budget \$200 Gas for ice cleaning; possibly more wood required
- Invites/poster out to local groups and post in public (Snowmobilers, RCATV, Eganville seniors, hockey teams, Eganville/Barry’s Bay, curling rinks Eganville/Killaloe; request quotes from Jenn Rasp for art work and quotes for printing
- Porta potty – follow up for repayment of \$750 that township agreed for last rental
- July Long weekend 2025 ideas – floatie scavenger hunt, with various floaties around the lake; swim across the lake event (this would require lifeguards, marker buoys for crossing, identify public locations – Island view, Bonnechere Lodge, Deacon, Hwy 60
- **July 2025** – Combine AGM on 12 July 2024 with 20th Anniversary event and volunteer appreciation event
- Start at 10:00 a.m. and keep meeting light (business and committee reports – 10 minutes each only) followed by luncheon and volunteer (past and present) recognition (years at lake, years volunteering), and perhaps outdoor afternoon activities for attendees (depending on location and weather permitting)
- Determine location for event – consider Golden Lake Community Hall with tent outside weather permitting?
- Gift ideas for volunteers? All have been given a hoodie (\$65 value) Maybe a cap? Budget 70 @ \$15 (\$1300)
- Coffee tea at 10am; luncheon at 11:30 (obtain quotes from Jesse at Backyard Gourmet and Melissa at Engine House)
- **August 2025**
- Music on the lake
- Look at dancers on the beach (ask Dorian Pierce if he has some kids to do dance routines for entertainment in return for a donation
- BBQ on the beach with hot dogs? Speak to Foodland for donation 300 hot dogs and buns
- Decorated boats/floats again? With prizes?
- Could we do a different location? Is Lutherlyn an option? Then maybe folks could drive there as well. Band can run off of generator – would need porta potty x 2 – price? (emailed)
- Other public locations?
- **Other ideas:**
- Poker Run - volunteer drive to start immediately; possible locations: Lutherlyn, Island View Drive park
- Golf tournament - Wolf Ridge; timing: July or August
- Clean Up Challenge: Cottage roads around the lake have a contest to see who can pick up the most garbage by weight; timing: May.

Membership Julie Callon (Co-Chair Krista Jones Tony McLeod (Records)

- Membership to date, 386 memberships have been paid. There are 3 canvassers to report.

- Set a date for Canvassers to hand in their Membership fees and reports.
- We should hit the 400 mark for 2024
- Would like to survey canvassers to see what they want to assist with their canvas
- There is a “procrastination draw” promoted on Facebook and Instagram. Any membership paid between September 12 and October 14, 2024 will be eligible for a draw to win free Membership for 2025.
- Better promotion of our GLPOA benefits

Lake Steward Report – Lake Steward not in attendance at meeting

### **Hazard Marking – Mark Hammer**

- No Report Received

### **Water Levels-**

- Posted on Face Book and It will be on our Web Page

### **Water Testing- Rob Bryce**

- Herb Schilger has been instrumental in collecting the clarity data over the summer in my absence.
- If there is an extra large hoodie left, I'd like to give it to Herb.
- I am willing to continue to manage the collection of clarity data and ensure that it is reported to the Lake Partner Program, but likely cannot continue to collect it myself reliably.
- Herb and I will work together in the Spring to collect the more involved samples.

### **Invasive Species- Rick Juhasz**

No Report received as Rick is away.

## Communications

### **E-Mail Website**

- GLPOA website has seen consistent traffic over the past few months, focused primarily on the fish-related pages, but we did have some interest in the Scavenger Hunt and the collectible fish posters and mugs as well.
- The newsletter was very well received.

- The Facebook group continues to grow; we had a volunteer at AGM, Jillian Daily, offer to take on management of the Instagram account.
- We also set up a special email address for glpoaevents to receive payment transfers

#### **Face Book Natalie**

- We receive 2 or so request a day to be a member not all are accepted after review of their profile.
- A list of our Members will be provided for easy review to see if they are a members of GLPOA.
- Spam is wild at this time.

#### **Newsletter Allison**

- Kate will send out to Ali and the Board the new date for the Spring and Winter Newsletter deadlines.

MOTION: To accept all Committee Reports

MOVED: Rob Bryce

SECONDED : Theresa Rasp

CARRIED

#### OTHER BUSINESS:

##### **FOCA Renewal**

- Our renewal has been moved to October, and they have increased the annual membership fee.
- We will use GLPOA membership of 375 for 2024-2025 renewal; total renewal cost \$2,268.00.
- Board members agreed to submitting renewal form and payment based on this information

##### **Emails Received**

- St Francis Hospital invitation to a fund raiser announcement to be held on October 10 from 2PM to 4PM.; Toni will attend for GLPOA
- Public Climate Change Meeting to be held at the Eganville Legion October 1 2024 from 9:30AM to 3:30PM. If anyone is interested in dropping in, Kate will forward the e-mail to Board Members.

##### **Budget**

- Kate proposed at budget for the 2025 year of \$2,500.00 for FOCA and \$2,500.00 for Insurance. Budgets for committees will be finalized in the coming months.

##### **Board Responsibilities**

- Kate is still going through all GLPOA documents and will present updated information to the Board in January 2025.

### **Storage for GLPOA property Natalie, Theresa**

- We tried to get a solid Dollar value from Cameron Montgomery at NAW but her communication on this matter has gone silent.
- NAW Councillor Marie Robinson happened to be at Regatta and commented that she was not aware of the Island View Park. She suggested perhaps the Eganville Rotary Club could help with the shed as they are looking for projects to fund. Sandy will provide Theresa and Natalie with Maria's contact info for further discussion with her as a solution to our storage issue.

### **Fish Committee**

Sylvia advised the Board that Dave, Kate, Natalie and herself met via zoom with Don Bishop and Peter Heinermann on 7 September 2024 to get some clarification on the WRPP project activities. The information and developments provided to us by Don and Peter in that meeting raised concerns for the Board, specifically that the WRPP has outgrown the capability of GLPOA to manage it within the mandate of our association. Board members at the zoom meeting were also made aware of actions taken by the FC chair(s) outside of their authority, and without advice to and/or approval by the Board. Subsequently, Board executive sought legal advice and insurance advice with respect to actions by the Fish Committee with respect to the WRPP activities. Sylvia noted the Board has not received any recent formal Fish Committee reports relative to WRPP, and neither Don Bishop nor Peter Heinermann was able to attend the August Board meeting. Don Bishop chose not to attend this Board meeting, but sent an e-mail to Natalie requesting her to share his perspective with the Board, which she did.

- Following discussion by the Board, it was decided, based on all the information we now have at hand, that the WRPP project is outside of the mandate of GLPOA and it should be re-constituted as separate non-profit entity. It was suggested we send letters to Don and Peter as FC Co-chairs, and to AOPFN, as well as the fish committee members explaining the situation and Board position on this matter.
- The Board then voted on three (3) motions. Kate advised she had received proxy votes from Allison, Mathew, Toni, Janet to be voted in favour of any Board actions taken at this meeting relative to the WRPP activities.

Motion that GLPOA send a letter to AOPFN indicating that GLPOA did not give approval for the draft Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) sent to them in April 2024 by Fish Committee Co-Chairs.

MOTION: Julie Callon    SECONDED: Krista Jones CARRIED

Motion that GLPOA Board send a letter to Don and Peter informing them that the project WRPP be immediately suspended indefinitely,

AND that

A letter be sent from the Board to the fish committee advising that due to the fact the full scope of the WRPP project has now grown beyond GLPOA capability, GLPOA is offering to assist with funding the incorporation of a new and separate non-profit organization for WRPP initiatives and activities.

MOTION: Krista Jones    SECONDED: Kate O'Hara CARRIED

Motion that a letter be sent to the GLPOA Membership advising them of the actions taken by the Board with respect to activities of the Fish Committee WRPP initiative.

MOTION: Dave Clark    SECONDED: Theresa Rasp CARRIED

NEXT MEETING: April 12 2025

MOTION: Meeting Adjourned at 11:23

MOVED: Natalie Corbin    SECONDED: Olivia Vodenicar    CARRIED

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Katie O'Hara, President  
Sandy Nash, Secretary

These minutes are not official until approved by the Board by resolution and signed by the President and Secretary.