

**Bay Lake Improvement Association Board Meeting
August 15, 2015
Ruttgers Resort**

Officers/Directors	Present	Committee Chairs	Present
Dominic Ciresi – President & Development		Bye, Jim --Runtilla	
Bruce Johnson – VP & Development	X	Erickson, Paul – History	
Gondeck, Chris – Co-Treasurer, Water Safety	X	Grady, Amy- Legal	X
Graff, Sylvia - Co-Treasurer	X	LaTourneau, Larry - Security	X
Qualen, Jennifer – acting Secretary	X	Marquardt, Betty - Membership	X
Devins, David – Aquatic Plant Mgmt		Shekels, Scott - Website	
Goolsbee, Josh – Beach Captains		Tripp, Tiffin – Shoreline Protection	
Bale, Rick		Coss, Terry and Debbie – Water Quality	X
Keller, Bobbie – Breezes	X		
Malek, Gary – Fishing Resources		Guests	
Rollins, Phil – Access Monitoring	X	Sweeneys	X
Ruttger, Chris - Nominating	X		
Steve Souder – Conservation and Runtilla	X		

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Bruce Johnson at 9:05 AM, welcome all and thank you to Ruttgers and Chris Ruttger for providing the space today.

Secretary's Report

July's minutes were approved by Jennifer Qualen and the Annual minutes were reviewed and accepted by the board.

Treasurer's Report

Sylvia reports that the account balance is the same as last month except with some added interest. In her distributed report the balance states \$21,740.46 and \$1.03 interest year to date.

Chris Gondeck presented a balance sheet – revenue appears low until the donorship records are updated. The distributed balance sheet to date states total assets as \$356,640.83. A question posed by Sylvia Gaff to Chris Gondeck pertaining to the cost of the Audit Committee of \$4,000. Chris informed the board that the Audit Committee did extra work for us this year so cost was higher but the amount was reasonable.

The question of tax deductibility of membership dues was raised by Bruce Johnson, Chris has determined that dues are 100% deductible according to the audit report. The revision of the membership cards will reflect this to make it clear to our members and potential members. Treasurer's Report - approved by Chris Ruttger and Terry Coss seconded.

Membership

Betty Marquardt reports that there is \$9,380 for fireworks, more then ever at this point. Last year at this time there was \$7,600.

Memberships however are not doing as well. There are 466 members to date compared to 484 last year. Online donations are at about \$6000.

The best way to be collecting random donations, for example at Bay Lake Events, may be discussed at a later date.

AIS Prevention

Phil Rollins reports that the hiring of the scuba divers from Buddy Divers Company, invoice under St. Croix Scuba, has been successful. There have been 2 dives to date, the first dive being free of charge, a \$500 value. The purpose of the dives is to identify mussels early and treat if found. This gives us some possibility of quarantining and treating the infested area, although he warned that the likelihood of success would be low.

Milfoil is somewhat down. The chemicals being used are having an effect thus far. The lake will be treated again in the fall, this being the best time to treat. The first treatment was done in early spring.

Water Quality

Terri Coss reports that the monthly sampling is still going on, the reports however lag by 6 weeks. The Veliger samples that have been sent in to the DNR are reporting none found. This does not conclusively mean that there are none, but at this time Bay Lake is considered clean by the DNR.

Committee Reports

Steve Souder submitted a report from Jim and Heidi Bye on the Runtilla. The final numbers not in at this point, but appears to be around \$22,000. It was a very successful year, best so far. Josh Goolsbee contributed over \$500, which is about half of his gross, from the Bloody Mary Bar. There were 29 volunteers to help make the day a great success!

Golf Scramble- numbers not in at the time of meeting.

Amazing Race- Larry LaTourneau reports it was Amazing! There were twenty one teams participating this year and fun had by all. No final numbers on money in at this time.

Bobbie Keller requests that any articles for Breezes to be in by Oct 15, 2015.

Legal- Amy Grady working on insurance and what we are covered for, a list of the events put on by the association was sent to them. No info is back from them at this time. Deb in the insurance office stated that the pyrotechnics company has insurance and we have liability in our policy. Chris Gondeck feels a rider needs to be added to protect us.

New Business

Phil Rollins – Poses question of the timing of the new board starting Jan1 when the annual meeting is in July. The board will consider a by law change next year to change this. If changed the new members will start their positions after elections. Phil will take the lead on this as well as a possible change in the terms of officers, with the thinking that a term of 3 years is too long.

Guests: The Sweeneys came to the meeting to make the board aware of an article in tribune on Aug 9, 2015 about protecting shorelines. So the topic of Buffer Zones and the need to preserve and make them around our lake was brought up.

Jen Qualen- mentioned the boat speeds and lack of respect for the NO WAKE Zone buoys, especially in the main channel. Questioned if better buoys could be put in this spot so boaters are more aware that they are entering a NO Wake Zone. Phil Rollins volunteered to look into a bigger buoy.

Meeting adjourned by Terri Coss and seconded by Deb Coss

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Qualen
(Acting Secretary)