



Board Meeting Minutes

August 17, 2023

Present: Roger Amborn, Susan Halvorson, Mary Jackson, Eric Kaiser, Skip Van Kessel, Rick Liljegren, Al Makynen, Cindy Richey

Absent: Cindy Hnatek, Julia Rulla

- July 2023 minutes approved; motion by Susan, second by Cindy R., and approval from all members.
- Treasurer report (Al)
 - As of August 10, cash balance in the checking account is \$8,487.79, excluding a \$10,000 CD.
 - YTD Income Statement as of August 10, shows revenues of \$11,605 and expenses of \$12,051, for a loss of \$446. Expected updates include a sponsorship of \$500 from Bayshore and cash from green envelopes of \$478, minus approximately \$150 in current expenses from Roger and \$1,500 in estimated expenses for the remainder of the year. The estimated full-year loss is approximately \$1,000.
 - Motion by Roger to accept the treasurer report as of August 10, second by Susan, and approval from all members.
- Sponsorships:
 - Roger to review letter drafted by Julia to send to facilities that have taken trips but have not contributed, and to ask Julia to incorporate a message asking that the facilities consider including support for SLRE in their 2024 budgets.
 - When the informational brochure is updated, Julia is to incorporate contribution information and a contribution form.
- 2023 season:
 - Susan reported 87 trips have been scheduled, with only 1 trip available due to a cancellation. As of August 15, there are 19 trips left to complete.
 - She noted that only 12 trips have been cancelled: SLRE cancelled 2 due to rain and 3 due to high winds, while the 7 facility cancellations were due to a variety of reasons, including an internal facility problem, low interest, bus problem, Covid and outlook for bad weather.
- Pontoon (Roger):
 - Dock removal expected the first week in October.
 - The pontoon to be removed from the water and cleaned before being transported to Jeff's Marine the last 2 weeks of September for winterizing the motors.
 - Stitching on the door zipper will be repaired at no cost before the pontoon is moved

into winter storage.

- The pontoon will be moved into storage at the Proctor Fairgrounds on October 14.
- The OEM propeller that was installed is running at lower RPMs at the same speed, which should result in gas savings. There are currently 2 spares, with 1 to be replaced by another OEM prop at some point.
- Volunteers (Rick):
 - Rick has sent out an email to volunteers with the needs for the remainder of the season.
 - Rick has talked with Jeff Foster regarding the volunteer recognition event to be held on the Sundew. After discussion, the consensus was that the event should be held at the dock, with September 19 the first choice, and September 18 the alternative. Rick is to talk further with Jeff and Rick's catering contact before proposing details and a budget for board approval via email. Board members and volunteers who participated during the season (along with their plus 1s) are to be invited to the event.
 - Rick proposed that he, as volunteer coordinator, be designated as the master list owner. All were in agreement.
- Misc.:
 - Board discussed the ongoing need for new board members – Rick to approach Beehive leadership, Cindy R. has asked her manager at Bayshore and Roger to pursue Carol Holm, who is active in University for Seniors.
 - Roger to submit the volunteer fundraising form to DECC, after the board agreed this would be a good way to raise funds for SLRE.
 - Regarding concerns about trip cancellations costing facilities that rent buses, Mary reported talking to 2 facility activity managers who said they have not been billed if they need to cancel trips; they also indicated that the fees from Arrowhead Transit are low.
 - Julia thanked Greg Anderson for providing photos that are now on the website.
- Motion to adjourn made by Rick and seconded by Eric.

Next Meeting: Thursday, September 21, 2023 – 5 p.m. Central Daylight Savings Time – Edgewood

Remaining 2023 meetings

October 19, 2023

December 21, 2023 (tentative)

November 16, 2023 (tentative)

Submitted by Mary Jackson, Secretary