

**Wood-Pawcatuck Watershed Association  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
May 19, 2016**

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Attending: A. Bryson, H. Drew, J. MacAndrew, P. August, K. Coulter, W. Galloway, D. Walsh,  
M. Grant

Excused: B. Rashleigh, C. Fox

**1. Call to Order 7:00 PM**

The business portion of the annual meeting began after Elise Torello and Denise Poyer had presented to the membership the water quality monitoring report which they had prepared over the preceding year. Walt Galloway presided over the first part of the business meeting.

**2. Review of the Year's Activities**

Chris Fox, the executive director, is on temporary medical leave. His note in the 2015 annual report thanked the membership and emphasized the importance of the two major projects under the organization's guidance—the flood resiliency management plan and the analysis supporting a wild and scenic river designation for the watershed.

Walt provided details on the two projects. He also noted other accomplishments, including the removal of the White Rock dam, and the opening of the Welcome Center on weekends in the upcoming summer. He commended our excellent staff.

**3. President's Welcome**

Helen Drew thanked the many partners whose cooperation and support was essential in performing our mission, including government agencies, allied nonprofits, funders, the towns, and our members.

**4. Treasurer's Report**

Pete August presented the 2015 Treasurer's Report. With a total operating budget of just over \$550,000 we were right on target with income and expenses. The net income shown in the report represents grant funds received in 2015 that will be spent in 2016. WPWA continues to focus on fund development through increased efforts to obtain more donations and increased membership.

**5. Election of Trustees**

Walt nominated Helen Drew and Kim Coulter, whose terms were expiring, for re-election. He nominated Joseph MacAndrews and Brenda Rashleigh as new trustees. All four were unanimously elected.

**6. Emeritus Trustees**

Helen announced that the organization had amended its policy on emeritus trustees to elect emeritus trustees at the board level and announce the results at the annual meeting. Mal Grant introduced Ed and Linda Wood, who were anointed trustees emeritii. Helen then introduced Ana Flores, who was commissioned to create a poetry box for the new emeritii.

7.     **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm.