

Minutes of the 94th Annual Pinewoods Association Meeting

The 94th annual meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by president Lauris Wade.

A moment of silence was held to remember Nancy O'Connell.

The following marriages were announced:

Alissa Wendt and Miceail Coughlin
Ann (Timmy) Tinkham and Audronis "Z" Zunde
Colleen Will and Craig Hoeksema

The following births were announced:

Catherine Joy Foster to Tom and Angela Goster
Sean Johnston to Chris and Amy Johnston
Daphne Murer to George Murer and Phoebe Hwang
Theodore Cedar Will (Tayo) to Kayden Will

Notice of the Annual Meeting and Dining Hall Rate Sheets were posted on the Pinewoods web site and e-mailed to members according to the Bylaws.

There were 310 shares present by attendance or by proxy, thereby establishing a quorum so the Annual Meeting could be held.

A motion to accept the 2012 minutes was made and seconded. The minutes were approved.

Grace Flintermann and Kristen Larkin were nominated for membership and overwhelmingly approved.

Phil Will presented the Treasurer's report. Operating cash was \$48,850, \$10,600 more than last year. Net income for the year was \$10,103, accounts payable was \$190. Total dining hall income was \$100,155. Dining hall expenses were \$93,049. General camp income was \$45,697. General camp expenses were \$42,417. As of June, 2013, the General Fund balance was \$38,034. Memorial Fund balance was \$1,185. The board authorized \$25,000 in maintenance projects. This included the generator (funded by special assessment), repair and painting of the dining hall and dormitory. The Memorial Fund contributed to the building of the new library. A small amount of work is yet to be completed.

Anne Sloan reported that the Library was open for use. Additional books (other than mysteries) were requested.

Kathy Piehl introduced her staff before receiving a standing ovation.

Duncan Lawrence presented the Building and Grounds report. The generator was installed. Total cost including labor and permits was \$12,765. The dining hall has had floor repair and painting done. A tree was removed by the dormitory and the dormitory roof was repaired. An air conditioning unit was purchased for the dining hall. Future projects include more exterior painting of the dining hall, window repair, and more roof repair. The Building and grounds committee asked for authorization of \$10,000 to be spent on these repairs. A motion to authorize these expenses was made by John Fink, seconded by Frank Cochran.

Harman Foster gave the HLPOA report. The main issues are the removal of the dam, swimmer's itch, and by-law amendments. A resolution to have the HLPOA not be in favor of removal of the dam was adopted. An committee was formed to review the HLPOA articles of incorporation. The committee will have two board members, two non board members and possibly a past HLPOA president. The Eurasian Milfoil removal boat (DASH) is in operation. Swimmer's itch remains a problem, with no apparent solution in sight.

Kathy Lawrence gave the RCCF report. The RCCF is responsible for many scholarships for Roscommon and Houghton Lake students. Roscommon County is a poor county, with many students at the poverty level. The RCCF is vital for the continuing education of these students. On a lighter note, the wine tasting for RCCF and HLF was a success, especially since the weather cooperated.

Jean Lawrence reported the Fire Department had come out and checked the tanks. We are advised to keep leaves and brush away from the cottages. Turn arounds are important because the fire trucks need to be able to move freely around the camp.

Stephanie Fitzgerald thanked everyone who contributes to the Pinewords. She was thanked for all the work she does to put together the Pinewords.

Sharkey Fink reminded everyone to please submit changes of addresses and e-mail addresses to Burr Loomis or Phil Will.

A thank you for Liz Wade for keeping up the mailing lists for Pinewoods, and the adjoining camps. Thanks to Liz we have been able to keep up with events occurring in all three camps.

Larry Bennett reported the trails are on good shape. This spring's storms brought down many trees, but the paths have been cleared. Thanks to Howie Schultz and Hugh Lawrence for helping maintain the trails.

Sharkey Fink reported the nominating has nominated Beth Schultz to be the new board member. A motion to accept Beth Schultz as secretary, Louisa Lawrence as Treasured

and Phil Will as President was made by Sharkey Fink, seconded by Frank Cochran. Passed.

Lauris Wade gave his president's report. Four years ago Pinewoods was losing money at an alarming rate. Thanks to Jane Ferguson, Rip Loomis and Sharkey Fink the losses were stopped. We now have a much better way of tracking finances. With everyone working together, Pinewoods will survive and prosper.

Recycling and yard waste removal are now available. Jean Lawrence made sure everyone had a recycling bin. The recycling pick up is Wednesday, every other week. Yard waste removal is on Fridays, on alternating weeks. Schedules for the recycling and yard waste removal are available.

There was a discussion of a noise policy for Fireworks. Since Michigan now allows larger fireworks, more people are lighting bigger, noisier fireworks. While it is understandable on and around the 4th, it seems fireworks have been going off all month long. Everyone in camp is requested to use fireworks only around the 4th. Please be considerate of your neighbors.

Tips are now handled by Kathy Piehl directly. At the end of the season a copy of the receipts will be given to the treasurer, with an accounting of how the tips were distributed.

The dorm use was discussed. The dorm is available for rent, though since it has been so long since it has been used, it is in disrepair. It is hoped the dorm will be of future use.

There is rumor of a law being discussed in Lansing to allow single generation transfer of a cottage without changing the assessed value. This may be implemented in 2014.

Kate Eubanks read the Ratification of Past Actions. Motion to accept by Harman Foster, seconded by Frank Cochran.

The meeting was adjourned 12:10 by Lauris Wade.