



**BCLA Board of Directors  
Meeting  
June 20, 2020**

**Present:** Jim Colbert, Sam Blattenbauer, Jeff Strand, Ramona Borke, Merle Zimmerman, Lyle Hansen, Tom Riedman, Jenni Barr, Bruce Zeller, Susan Willard, Rich Maras, Mike Kelly

**Absent:** Steve Busch, Aaron Stenerson, Jay Peterson

President, Jim Colbert, called the meeting to order.

Secretary Report was sent to all members prior to the meeting for review. Approved by consensus.  
Treasurer Report was sent to all members prior to the meeting for review. Approved by consensus.

No Annual Meeting was held this year due to COVID-19 restrictions. A “drive through” was held to distribute the new Directory. This was a very successful event with 165 Directories picked up.

Jim received a letter of resignation from Jay Peterson resigning his position on the Board. Sam Blattenbauer indicated that the person who will be putting in and taking out the buoys, Brit Skolness, expressed an interest in being on the Board. Susan Willard moved to ask Brit to serve with us. Lyle Hansen seconded. Approved. Sam will ask him. He will take over the Water Testing program. Merle Zimmerman will train him this summer.

Slate of Officers – Jim Colbert- President, Sam Blattenbauer- Vice President, Jeff Strand- Treasurer, and Ramona Borke- Secretary is the current officers of the BCLA Board of Directors and agree to continue. Bruce Zeller moved to continue with these officers. Second by Jeff Strand. Approved.

BCLA Clothing - Jim discussed selling clothing by BCLA. Should we consider weaning ourselves out of clothing as it is sometimes irritating and bothersome to order the right items, maintain and store inventory, and then unable to have it this year because of COVID-19 restrictions for the Annual Meeting. Discussion indicated that it is something that brings people to the Annual Meeting, we would lose control if we turned it over to someone else, a company does offer Big Cormorant Lake apparel but it looks the same as any other lake. Our apparel is unique to us and if someone is willing to do it, we should continue it. No action was taken. We will try to reduce our inventory through the website and Facebook and have new items for next year.

4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks – Bruce Zeller moved to send Butch Anton a donation of \$1500 for the fireworks after the display is complete. Rich Maras second. Approved. We are not a sponsor of the private event.

Annual meeting location – Rich Maras was approached by the YMCA Camp asking if we would consider having our Annual Meeting at the Y-Camp in the future. Rich will get more information on cost, capacity, parking, etc. and we will discuss it at the next meeting.

Boat Inspections – A check for \$5000 was received from the Watershed Board for Boat Inspections at the accesses for the summer. This was forwarded to the Becker County who provides the inspectors.

Ramona was thanked for the work done to put the Directory together. She will pick up the rest of the Directories (400) at Ottertail Power Company Printers in Fergus Falls when they are ready. Mike Kelly will then distribute quantities to Beach Captains to deliver to those that did not make it to the pick-up event today. Reneece Strand will provide Mike with a list of member/paid status for each beach.

Ramona thanked Board Members for helping to get advertising and for distributing 34 of 40 copies to advertisers. A thank you letter will go out to all advertisers next week indicating that their copy of the Directory will be delivered by a BCLA Board Member in the next two weeks. Six Directories will be mailed to out-of-town/area addresses.

Merle Zimmerman moved to adjourn. Rich Maras second. Approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ramona Borke, Secretary

Next meeting: September 19, 2020

Future meetings:      January 16, 2021  
                              April 17, 2021  
                              June 19, 2021  
                              September 18, 2021