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**Mission: To improve and preserve water quality of the Jefferson-German Chain of Lakes and advocate clean water for current and future generations.**

Date: June 30,2022 6:13 p.m. 23664 Trails End Lane, German Lake

1. **Call to Order:** Jill Steffen, Board Vice-President
2. **Board Members Attending:** Ralph Redding;Pam Hrubes; Angie Jahr, Jill Steffen; Jamie Swenson; Scott Hanson; Carol Burns
3. **Introduction of Board Members**
4. **Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting**
   * Scott-Motion to approve; Second- Ralph Approved/ Pam opposed
   * Approval of Annual Meeting Minutes
     + Tabled: Presentation will be sent out for additions and feedback
5. **Approval of the Agenda**
   * Pam- Motion to approve; Second- Angie Approved
6. **Election of Officers**
   * Secretary nomination of Carol Burns- Jill; Second- Jamie Approved
   * Treasurer nomination of Pam Hrubes- Pam; Second- Jill Approved
   * President nomination of Jill Steffen- Carol; Second-Pam Approved
   * Vice president nomination of Jamie Swenson- Angie; Second-Jill Approved
7. **Reports**
   * Past President’s Report: Ralph Redding
     + Advised us to work together as a team, grab a project and see it all the way through. ~~Highlight of his time as president was the phosphorus run-off project.~~
   * Treasurer’s Report: Dave Tripp
     + GJGLA General Fund:        $31,855.78
     + GJGLA AIS Fund:               $29,499.67 (with unpaid obligation to Lake Improvement Consulting)
     + PayPal:                                 $236.40
     + Checks uncashed in hand:  $225.00 (moreover expect to retrieve some more on 6/30/22 at the Post Office)
   * Membership Report: Dave Tripp Update dollar amount of dues and the source of the memberships
     + 204 Active; 31 New, 73 Expired
     + 3 new Sponsors; Summer Breeze, Trident Water Systems, Southern Minnesota Realty
   * Motion to approve Treasurer and Membership reports-Angie; Second-Jamie Approved
     + Discussion: on "where does money go" communication around getting more members.
8. **Old Business**
   * Annual Meeting recap and reflection
     + Guest speakers were helpful; good attendance; older crowd in attendance; Need to break down attendance by lake; AIS spraying was a surprise- we need messaging around this; change of Annual Meeting date- 50/50 response to changing date in past surveys
   * Update of the AIS Committee's April 24th Meeting Minutes and recommendations as adopted at May 16, 2022 meeting
     + EIN’s and administration for each lake is the goal of this decision
     + Messaging is a key- it appears many members believed GJGLA was the operator of the spraying program since payment went into GJGLA bank accounts
     + There was discussion on the associations' role in AIS for each lake based on feedback received at the annual meeting.
     + Discussion tabled: Ralph to find out more about what is required for grant applications. Others to look into how other lake associations handle AIS.
   * Consideration of additions to the Data Base Use Policy for the expanded Excel List derived from Beacon adopted at May 16, 2022 meeting
     + Motion to Table this until our next meeting- Carol; Second-Ralph Table Approved
9. **New Business**
   * Information learned at the June 28 AIS training in Waseca
     + Innovative grant opportunities for AIS spraying are available
     + Why aren’t our county commissioners investing in water quality initiatives?
   * Brainstorming of GJGLA projects for 2022- 2023
     + Garbage collection at launches
     + Educate and recruit membership (Sportsman Club, etc.)
     + AIS signage at launches
     + Jill will reach out to Mike S. and Holly K. to meet with us
     + Water sampling/testing for clarity and phosphorus (water quality)
     + Report on septic compliance
     + Cleaning day during the winter
     + Signage with association information
     + Identify any recognized water threats
     + Clear list of benefits/ Where does $ go= Whitesheet
     + Better branding: analysis of what area????
     + Water quality communication on website
     + Final report of septic program
     + Score your Shore
     + Where to find natives (plants)- SWCD
     + Watershed projects: County, SWCD, Watershed district, MPCA
     + Analysis of other associations: fees, projects, grants, etc.
     + Membership analysis: % by lake; % at annual meeting; % fulltime; % parttime: Use for metric to increase members but NEED “Where does $ go” answered
   * Feedback for Holly on Decontamination Units at boat accesses
     + Would people use it? Lack of space for them at our launches.
   * Facebook and Web site
     + Motion to post approved minutes and upcoming agenda on GJGLS website- Jill; Second- Angie Approved

**Next Board Meeting:** July 31, 2022 4:00 at Angie’s home

**Adjournment** Motion to adjourn- Carol; Second- Jill Approved at 8:45