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This is a trial.

BLCA Executive Meeting
July 20, 2007

Present: Art Church, Ed Bracht, Mary Ellen Meyers, Larry Pick, Greg Alexander, Jim McCarthy, Uta Peikert

1. Welcome to the new members: Greg, Larry and Jim.
2. Selection of Executive: Ed will continue as treasurer for this year. Art will be president for this year. Jim will be vice president. Uta will be secretary for this year.
3. Regatta: Craig and Trish Ferrier will be responsible for the swimming and boating events. Wayne Alexander and Gary McCarthy will look after hot dog sales. Mary Ellen will get St John's Ambulance and OPP and boat safety trailer to come to the regatta. The regatta is on Sun. Aug. 5, from noon to 3:00 p.m. Jane Alexander will sell tickets for hot dog sales and 50-50 tickets. Greg will look after the water balloons and coloured eggs. Ed will look after memberships and calendars. Mary Ellen will look after the mummy contest. Ed will get some people to help out during the event. Shirley Church will look after the putting and nail contest.
4. Lake Plan: There was a lot of heated discussion about the recommendations at the AGM. It was decided that the information would be available on the website with opportunities for people to provide feedback to the online questionnaire. Jane Prendergast and Melissa Alexander are putting the questionnaire together by mid September. The questionnaire will be reviewed by the executive before it goes out. There would be 90 days for people to respond. Ed suggested that each member of the executive have a hard copy of the Lake Plan, which could be done at Staples at a reasonable cost. CD's are being copied by Sylvie. Art will be the key contact for the Lake Plan. Everyone in the executive will be involved.
5. BLCA Social: To be discussed later.
6. Rock Marking: Craig Ferrier will do the rock marking starting this fall. Jeff Bondett, and Rob Schock said they would like to be involved in rock marking. Some buoys need to be replaced. There should be money from council. Greg will be in charge of rock marking.
7. Township Relations: Jim will be in charge of that.
8. FOCA: Art will continue with that.
9. Crowe Valley: Greg will be involved with them. Issues are water level and shoreline damage.
10. Invasive Species Monitoring: (MNR is responsible for this area) Jim will be involved with that. Brandon Van Asten and Melissa Alexander and Joyce Legrow are interested in being involved with invasive species.
11. Membership: Ed reports: we have 29 new members. Last year we had 192 members last year. We now have 110 members. Ed recommended that we get a student to get new members by going door to door. We could pay the student \$10 for each new membership. Ed will email the executive the current membership list by road. Ed will continue to deal with membership.
12. Budget:
13. Website: Sylvie proposed that we move the site to Bell at a cost of \$500. Monthly fees would be \$30 per month. Site registration is \$50 and maintenance is \$500 per year. Greg and Jim will get in touch with Sylvie to discuss issues of transferring the site and related costs.
14. Lake Conference: Art will contact the other lakes to see what their participation commitment is.
15. Water Quality: Uta and Jim will contact agencies/educational facilities to get some testing done.
16. Boating and General Safety: Mary Ellen has been contacting OPP Marine and Transport

Canada to discuss safety issues. There is no speed limit on a lake. Greg will try to talk to the fast boaters to try to get them to boat more responsibly.

17. Community Affairs: We need someone to make sure the community is aware of the Association. Larry will contact Beautify Havelock and other organizations to have a BLCA presence to help out. Jim will contact Joyce and Tom Legrow about what BLCA could do for the Salvation Army et al.

18. Lakeland Conference: Buckhorn Community Centre on Saturday, Aug. 11.

Next meeting: Sat. Sept. 22, at 11:00 a.m. at Uta's cottage. (FR 12 ?154)