

**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, April 19th, 2016**

Next Regular Board Meeting: Wednesday, May 25th, 2016- Rotary Center Beloit, WI Annual Meeting

Attending this meeting: Jane Carlson, Patricia Cicero, Joe Zakovec, Suzanne Wade, Dave Hoffman, Eric Compas, and Dan Lynch

Absent: Jim Kerler, Tabby Davis

Others Present: RRC Administrative Assistant, Ingrid West, Patty Lynch

1. Introductions:

Introduced Ingrid to board members not present at last meeting.

2. Approval of 2/24/16 and 3/15/16 Minutes:

Patricia moved to approve 2/24/16 minutes; seconded by Suzanne; motion carried. Motion to approve 3/15/16 minutes by Suzanne, seconded by Eric; motion carried.

3. Announcements:

Suzanne has miscellaneous items left in the office that she would like to get rid of.

Ingrid reported since being hired she has met with Marsha V. to go over word press use; met with Suzanne and went over newsletter details; is getting caught up with the membership database; continuing writing Big Share thank you cards; taking care of invoices; and working out issues with our pay-pal account.

4. Treasurer's Report:

Dan L. is leaving the board soon so Patty will begin phasing out her duties as interim Treasurer. We all thank Patty very much for her contributions to the RRC. As of 3/31/16 there is an unrestricted balance of \$8,723.00 and a restricted balance of \$31,560.00. Patricia moved to accept the Treasurer's Report; seconded by Joe; motion carried.

5. Membership Report:

Tabled until next regular board meeting.

6. Stream Monitoring Report:

Nancy will be attending a training coming up put on by the Friends of Capital Springs, who she recently spoke for and also received a \$500 donation. She has been busy with training workshops and training monitors for the 2016 season.

Patricia and Nancy attended the Wisconsin Lakes Partnership Convention from March 30 - April 1. Patricia got some good ideas for the RRC confluence. For example, having a "what motivates you" session for volunteers.

A congratulations to Patricia as she received a Wisconsin Stream Monitoring Award for the outstanding employee category.

7. Chapter Liaison Reports:

Mauneshia River Alliance- Jim touched base with a MRA contact and suggested a couple dates to have a board meeting with their group. Also, suggested we hold the meeting in their neck of woods at Fireman's Park.

Johnson Creek Watershed Alliance- Suzanne reported they will be having a picnic this coming weekend.

Friends of Badfish Creek Watershed- Ingrid mentioned they are having a highway clean-up day.
Friends of Turtle Creek- Nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS

8. Brief Updates:

- a. Community Shares: We received a total of \$972.00 from the Big Share.
- b. Fundraising: Strand donated and signed up as a corporate member. RRC received a grant in the amount of \$5,000.00 to pay for UW-Whitewater students to work for Testing the Waters.
- c. Board Member Recruiting: A 1 year term, 3 year term, and a student board member position are still open. Patricia talked with Andy Selle who works for the City of Jefferson and is active in the Allen Creek watershed group. Eric mentioned a past student who is potentially interested in the student board member position.
- d. Hiring of TTW employees: Suzanne reported that we are all set with hiring staff for the Testing the Waters event.

9. Rock River Recovery Updates:

Suzanne attended the last meeting and reported they discussed the final implementation plan for the Rock R. TMDL. This upcoming Friday is the agricultural sector team meeting. Patricia said she might be able to attend.

10. Testing the Waters- A Paddle and Probe Adventure Update:

Suzanne reported the planning and logistics have been going great. DNR approved modifications to the event and the grant associated with the event. Looking for two kayaks that are between 12' and 16' in length for use during the 10-day trip. Rented a ¾ ton pick-up at a rate of \$800 for unlimited mileage for 13 days. Suzanne will coordinate distribution of fliers/brochures up and down the basin. The probes and arrays are working well and will have 3 for use during the 10-day paddle.

11. Annual Meeting Planning:

- a. Annual Report- Patty L. will discuss the report
- b. Board Members/Officers-
- c. Other- Ingrid will email chapters.

NEW BUSINESS

12. Newsletter Editors: Next deadline will be September 1, 2016. Eric volunteered to be an editor.

13. Retreat Planning: Patricia and Jane are on the planning committee. Nancy will help out as well. Doodle pool in June for potential dates.

Adjourn at 7:02- Suzanne moved to adjourn; seconded by Dave; motion carried.