

February 16, 2026 Board Meeting Minutes

Called to order by Bruce Magnus at 6 pm.

BOD present : Bruce Magnus, Dave Meyer, Doug Schmidt, Tom Johnson, Janice Hauri, Niel Meierhoffer, Mark Durst, Roxanne Malum, Tara Gimbel, Steve Baloun, Stephanie McKee, Deb Murphy, Greg Trende, Ron Boerboom.

Not Present: Tim Greene, Brad Forsell.

Quorum criteria met.

Guests: Eli and Autumn Martin, Walt Lipa, Terry Malum.

Guest Comment: Eli Martin talked about Friday night organizations that work for meat raffles, wondered if we could be more selective in choosing which groups we schedule to hopefully bring in groups that bring a larger crowd with them. He also asked if OLA could find someone to go in, in the mornings to close games if needed when Cassie is gone, he was told that OLA would look for a substitute.

There was a motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve the agenda, motion carried.

Gambling Manager Report: Tara Gimbel

Motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve LG1004 as sent out, motion carried. January tax was \$19,680.

January Gambling statement numbers as follows;

Total Gross receipts: \$353,647.60

Total Prizes Paid Out: \$295,524.73

Net Gambling Activity: \$58,122.87

Less MN Gam tax \$17,611.00

Gross profit: \$40,511.87

Total Allowable Expenses: \$29,220.92

Net Profit (Loss) After Allowable Expenses: \$11,290.95

Total Lawful Purpose Expenditures: \$1,880.00

Current Year Profit(Loss) \$9410.95

Gambling Checkbook Balance 1/31/2026 - \$109,740.14

Tara said Autumn has asked her about special event bingo such as, purse or gun bingo. Tara said OLA would not have to be the one to sponsor these, any organization with a gambling license could hold the event, Tara just needs oversight to make sure it is run according to state regulations. OLA would need the correct equipment and substantial staffing if we were to do these. This was tabled for now, we will have to find out equipment costs prior to any further action. OLA paid the Pub approximately \$65,000 in rent last year, about ½ of OLA revenue comes from the charitable gambling at the Pub. Several of BOD will meet with Eli & Autumn in the near future to further discuss these issues. Tara will be gone for the March meeting, Dave will give the gambling report.

Treasurer's Report: there was a motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve the Treasurer's report sent out by Roxanne prior to the meeting, motion carried. Checkbook balance 1/1/2026 - \$64,587.05, 1/31/2026 - \$64,420.94, CD balance \$129,291.03, Bog fund balance - \$24,232.29 Total - \$217,944.26. Tom and Steve volunteered to audit the 2025 books.

Donations Committee: Recommended to give \$1200 to the Decades Party with \$300 of it split into 3 - \$100 certificates 1 each from The General Store, True Value Hdwe, and Resorters Marine, there was a motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> to this effect, motion carried The Osakis Public School asked for up to \$500 for the National Honor Society Easter Day for Kids, there was a motion and a 2<sup>nd</sup> to give them \$300, motion carried. The Outdoor Recreation/Cash raffle for a pontoon, golf cart and \$5000 cash prizes, (pontoon donated by and golf cart purchased from Resorters Marine). There was a motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> to sell 1500 - \$20 tickets, motion carried. The motion was later amended to change from \$2500 - \$1500 - \$1000 cash prizes to \$2500 - \$1000 - \$500 – and 10 - \$100 prizes, motion carried.

AIS Committee: the grants for Todd and Douglas Counties and the MN DNR for AIS control have been applied for. We might have to do a new survey for CLP this year. We learned in a meeting at Todd County that the funding for AIS inspectors will be cut by 50% in 2027, Todd Co. is going to cut their funding by 25% this year and again next year, not sure at this time about Douglas Co., there was a motion and a 2<sup>nd</sup> to donate \$3000 to each County to help offset the AIS inspector funding shortage to be used on Lake Osakis, motion carried.

Membership/Business Sponsor Committee: membership – 13 paid for 2026. It was decided the newsletter will stress information about the lake and not so much on particular community donations.

Sewer Project: Bruce, Greg, Tom, Steve, and Dave will be on this committee.

There was discussion about the JD2 sediment ponds, a notice will be sent to John at SRWD about possibly cutting off the inflow to the sed ponds until a workable solution is determined based on engineering best practices that minimize the discharge of effluents into Miller Bay.

Scholarship Committee: there was a motion to set the scholarship amount at \$1000, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.