

Minutes for WLA Meeting on September 9, 2017

1. The meeting was called to order by Deb at 10 a.m. with 7 members and 3 officers in attendance. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
2. Our guest speaker was WI DNR Warden Tom Heisler. It was a pretty normal year for him with no outstanding violations. He fielded several questions from the membership.
3. After our speaker left, Judi read the minutes from the previous meeting in Rick's absence and also gave the Treasurer's report. Both reports were approved as read.
4. Old Business
 - A. Kids' Fishing Contest Prizes. The WLA Board has decided to purchase prizes for the KFC next year. This is a temporary change and will be evaluated next year.
 - B. Barber Lake Boat Landing. Per Tom Heisler, the boat landing is open.
 - C. Picnic/Raffle. Unfortunately, Mother Nature was not kind to us this year. It rained the whole time. Despite the inclement weather, 15 people attended and we had plenty of good food. There were 15 door prizes so everyone went home happy, albeit very damp, with full tummies.

The raffle drawing was held the next day, Sunday, August 27, 2017. The winners were D Magnuson (Kayak), M Kuhnert (1st prize), R Verbsky (2nd prize), J Vallez (3rd prize), and E Cummings (4th prize). Two of the winners donated their winnings back to the organization.
5. New Business
 - A. WSD Open House. Jerry & Judi manned a booth at the Winter School Open House on August 30. On display were our Photo Boards showing pictures from KFC 2016 as well as our Fish Stocking Program. We also had engraved pencils, WI DNR trading cards, stickers, and tattoos available. Several kids and parents stopped to check out the photos and ask about what we do.
 - B. Fish Stocking. The fish stocking permits have been mailed and our fish should be here in late September to early October. As soon as we know, we will notify the membership.

C. T-shirts. The new WLA t-shirts have been ordered and should be available at our next meeting in October.

D. 501(c)3 Designation. We now have a 501(c)3 designation. This means we are recognized by the IRS as a nonprofit, tax-exempt, charitable organization. Donations to WLA are now tax deductible.

6. Questions/Comments. It was suggested that we have our August business meeting and picnic on the same day at the park. This will be considered by the board.

7. Our next and last meeting for this year will be Saturday, October 4, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

Judi Schaefer, Secretary pro temp