

**Van Etten Lake Association (VELA)**  
**FALL BOARD MEETING**  
**October 10, 2018 – 10:30 AM, Park Library**

**Minutes**

**Members Present:** Celeste Creger, Leonard Brockhahn, Rick Copland, Mike Clemons, Doug Jager, Dan Stock,  
**Absent:** Frank Rainey (excused), Leif Lindblom

- I. Call to Order (10:31am)
- II. Agenda Reorder and Additions - Approved
  - Resignation of Russell Williams from Board
  - Addition of new Board Member Dan Stock
  - Amended Officers for 2018-19
  - 2019 Picnic
- III. Resignation of Russell Williams from VELA Board
  - The Board received Russell Williams resignation from the VELA Board last week via email. Dan Stock has agreed to fill the open position until the July general meeting.
- IV. Dave Swenson (VELA Board President) Passing
  - Condolences from Board
    - Board voted to move \$500 from VELA Funds to the VELA Endowment Fund in Dave Swenson's name.
    - Rick will send a Condolence Card from Board and include information about the donation to the Endowment Fund in Dave's name.
  - Amended Officers for 2018-19
    - New President Celeste Creger
    - New VP Mike Clemons
    - Other officers remain the same
- V. VELA Website (Lawsuit Update)
  - Celeste reported agreement on financial settlement of \$2000. Also, both sides have agreed to disclosure to the VELA membership. Once completed and signed, VELA Website will be back up.
  - Consider offering Tony Spaniola a stipend for all his pro-bono work on this settlement.
  - Carole Plunkey and Tim continue to manage the VELA Website
  - Carole will call Dave's wife for permission to post death on VELA Facebook and with approval Tim will post.
- VI. Fall Newsletter
  - Board agreed to have Dave Swenson's passing Front Page.
  - Carol will send to Board for Approval before Newsletter is sent out. Should be completed and sent out by the middle to the end of October
- VII. 2019 VELA Picnic
  - Discussion: Carol Plunkey – Looking for direction from Board on amount to spend (budget), on what done at picnic (activities, etc.). Board agreed that the amount in the

VELA budget for the picnic will be the Picnic Committees budget. There was a question on state permits for silent auction and 50/50? Doug Jager agreed to research this and get back to the board. Who is Chair of Picnic Committee? Should be member of Board. Celeste C. volunteered to be Chairman.

- VIII. Board Officer Job Descriptions
- Each officer will research job description and bring to next board meeting.
- IX. Board Ad hoc committees
- The current Ad hoc committees are the Weed Committee and Picnic Committee.
- X. VELA representatives to various local groups. ie. NOW, PREVL, RAB, etc.
- Doug Jager – PREVL
  - Mike Clemons– NOW
  - Joe Plunkey - RAB
  - Dan Stock – CLMP (Cooperative Lake Management Program)
- XI. Bylaws - at some point we might want to review the bylaws not only for content, but there are typo's and it seems words missing, etc.
- Rick will send current By-Laws to all Board members to review over winter.
- XII. Schedule a meeting for next April or May before the General meeting in June
- May Friday, 17 at 10:30am, Parks Library
- XIII. Other
- Dan has VELA archival material and will inventory and report out at Spring Board Meeting.
  - Discussion on Liability Insurance – will continue looking into.

**Upcoming General/Annual Meetings:**

General Meeting: Saturday, June 1, 2019

Annual Meeting: Saturday, July 6, 2019

Meeting Adjourned: 11:57am

Respectively Submitted: Richard Copland, Secretary

*Approved: Saturday, May 17, 2019*