

Slocan Lake Stewardship Society  
Board of Directors Meeting  
March 05, 2013  
Zion United Church, Silverton, BC

1. **Call to order. 6:33 PM Members present:** Bruce Cottingham, Clarence DenBok, Therese DesCamp, Sally Hammond, Margaret Hartley, Mike Lesnik. Community members: Peter Roulston, Henning von Krogh (New Denver Council Representative)
2. **Acceptance of the March 05, 2013 agenda as amended.** M:Margaret S:Bruce Carried
3. **Acceptance of the February 04, 2013 Minutes as amended.** M:Sally S:Clarence Carried
4. **Treasurers Report;** Tabled until April 02, 2013 meeting.
  - A. Motion (Mike): *That the BOD ratify the Email decision to accept \$400 from CBT for a BOD Strategic planning session.* Carried. Motion(Mike) *That the BOD ratify the decision to pay for Brenda LaCroix's lunch.* Carried. Motion (Sally) *That SLSS send Brenda LaCroix, CLSS co-ordinator, a special redfish pin and card of thanks.* S:Margaret. Carried
- **5. Old Business**
  - A. Motion(Bruce) *That the BOD adopt the amended Board Operations Policy: Delegations to the Board* S:Clarence Carried
  - B. Spring Newsletter items to Mike by March 31<sup>st</sup>. Items may include:
    - a "Did you know" section: i.e. Jeremy Baxter's research, etc.
    - invasives (Margaret)
    - What's next in LMP (Therese)
    - water studies (Mike via Richard)
    - Imagine Project
    - a calendar of upcoming events (Wetlands workshop)
    - why a stewardship society? Article
    - 'About the BOD': Bruce
  - C. *Board Operations Policy: Technical/Associate directors policy to be further reworked (Bruce)*
    - D. Committee Reports: Willa Mine Committee. SLSS has again written the mining company, International Bethlehem. SLSS has not received a response to an earlier letter. A rigorous scientific protocol is being established for water testing, especially for heavy metals. The SLSS Willa Mine Committee is meeting with the Red Mountain residents Association Mines Committee March 6<sup>th</sup> to co-develop the protocol and parameters for water testing with the expectation that testing will commence immediately
    - E. Lake Management Plan: There is no further information on the Slocan Lake Guidance document. Therese and Mike (all BOD welcome to attend!!) will make brief presentations to the New Denver Village on March 16, 2013, and the Silverton Village on March 23, 2013. No date has been established yet for a presentation to the Slocan City Council. These presentations will be similar to the presentation given to the RDCK on the Imagine! Project and a LMP.
    - F. Science Happenings of Interest: from Richard Johnson include:
      - BC Wildlife Federation Wetlands Training workshops in June. Margaret and Richard have detailed information.

- Jeremy Baxter has initiated a Bull Trout study on the tributaries of Slokan Lake for 2013
- CBWN is re-setting its targets. It will be hiring a coordinator, and one area of work for the coordination role will be to keep all watersheds apprised of the studies done and being done in their watershed
- CBT has awarded a contract to a team of two to help renew their Environmental Strategic Plan.

G. Redfish School of Change has received full funding. The students will be paddling the lake May 9-14 with an eye towards bats and wildlife trees. May 15-18 Redfish students will be meeting with SLSS. The Redfish students will have a booth at May Days. *Question: what product(s) would be most beneficial for SLSS?*

H. BOD Strategic Planning Session for March 16: BOD are asked to look at the "Big Questions". Therese will communicate with Marcy, especially regarding overlaps and integration within our goals and action plans

## 6. New Business

- A. Password protocols: Tabled
- B. "in-kind": tabled
- C. CMI Conference/AGM. Margaret will liaise with Marcy Mahr. SLSS may make a brief presentation and/or display. CMI is also searching for field trip opportunities and guides.
- D. Slokan Valley Legacy Society is a potential source of funding for SLSS projects. We fit well into their aims. Funding requires partnering with a registered charity.
- E. FOI (for our information): an opportunity to share and interconnect. A topic for BOD meetings
- F. Christina Lake Stewardship Society visit by Bruce, Sally, Lane and Mike. Brenda LaCroix is the CLSS's paid coordinator. Brenda was a wealth of information, suggestions, and openly and willingly shared information on forms, grants, education, enforcement, networking, and more. Bruce has a memory stick holding the information Brenda shared, with many photographs.
- G Navigable Waters Act. Boating regulations stay exactly the same. The responsibilities formerly of Transport Canada, have been given to FLNRO and MOE.

## 7. Correspondence. Nil

**8. Next meeting date:** Tuesday, April 02, 2013 @6:30PM at Zion United Church, Silverton, BC

**9. In-camera.** Public relations were discussed and as a result, a short meeting date was set for 4PM, Wednesday, March 13 at HeartsRest.

**10. Adjournment** at 9:33PM