

**MINUTES of the ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**  
**NEW YORK STATE FEDERATION OF LAKE ASSOCIATIONS, INC.**  
and  
**FEDERATION OF LAKES, INC**  
Saturday May 5, 2012  
**WHITE EAGLE CONFERENCE CENTER**  
**HAMILTON, NEW YORK**

**Welcome:** Jim Cunningham welcomed attendees to the conference.

**New York State Federation of Lakes, Inc. Annual Meeting.** Jan Shields opened the meeting for this lobbying arm of NYS FOLA at 12:37 pm. She said there was no old business to report. As new business, she reported that NYS FOLA had directed her to support the invasive species transport bill, S6826, and also encouraged lake associations to also express support to their state senator. She noted that the state had provided some funding for publicly owned dams to obtain compliance with dam regulations and would ask for grants or loans for private dams. With no further business, the annual meeting of NYSFOL was closed at 12:40 pm.

**NYS FOLA call to order:** President Jim Cunningham called the meeting to order at 12:41 pm.

**Approval of 2011 Annual Meeting Minutes:** Don Keppel moved and Rich Henderson seconded that the minutes be approved as written, and the motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Walter Dutcher reviewed the 2011 financial report. He provided the balance sheet and a view of the monthly income and expenses, and a report on profit contributions. Our net worth at year end was \$ 182,866.90.

**Office Report:** Nancy Mueller thanked the attendees for their participation and reminded them of the benefits of individual membership and of the new FOLA website. She mentioned that the 2013 conference would be the 30<sup>th</sup> for the organization and asked for inputs on topics of interest. She indicated that she was available by email for any questions from members. She also asked members for their interest in a NALMS conference located in NYS.

**Board Nominations:** Willard Harman, Dean Long, Theresa Mayhew, Bob Rosati, and Rebecca Schneider were nominated by the Board for an additional 3 year term on the Board of Directors. Nominations were opened from the floor and John Slater nominated Tarki Heath. Robert Thill made a motion and Rich Henderson seconded to close the nominations and accept this slate for the board, and the motion carried.

**CSLAP Update:** Nancy explained the reasons for the delay in the distribution of CSLAP supplies and initiation of sampling. She asked volunteers to review the new 2012 protocol. There was a moment of silence for three past CSLAP volunteers who are no longer with us.

**Scholarship Committee.** Bill Harman described a potential scholarship program to support students. Lake Associations would be asked for a two year commitment to fund students who would work on a Lake Management Plan for their lake: FOLA would supplement the fund. Interested Lake Associations should contact Bill Harman for more details.

**Regional Meetings:** Jan Andersen said that a lower Hudson meeting would be planned using Terri Mayhew's model, and welcomed ideas. Don Cook announced the 18<sup>th</sup> Western Regional conference will be held at Cuba Lake on October 20<sup>th</sup> and that all were welcome to attend.

**News from NALMS.** Holly Waterfield is the representative to NALMS from the region that includes NY. She reported that NALMS is interested in better serving their affiliates like NYSFOLA and welcomed ideas and input. NALMS is also trying to build a partnership between lake management and fisheries management.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned on a motion from Robert Thill, seconded by Terri Mayhew, and the motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 1:20 pm.

*Janet Andersen*

**Janet Andersen, Secretary, NYSFOLA**