

Big Cedar Lake Stewardship Association (BCLSA) 2021 Annual General Meeting

On Wednesday April 27, 2022, we held the 2022 Annual General Meeting (AGM) for the Big Cedar Lake Stewardship Association (BCLSA) via a Zoom call.

The following were items that all members should note/consider. Following the noteworthy items are the Meeting Minutes.

- Encourage your neighbours to provide their e-mails to bigcedarlakesa@gmail.com to be added to the lake distribution list, even if they are not interested in paying the membership and/or Healthy Lake fees. We try to always send messages using “BCC” option so people’s private e-mail addresses are not compromised.
- If any member is interested in purchasing mats to install in their beach area, then the Board can help with information on suppliers and methods of installing.
- Please meet up with us in Clam Bay just before 2 pm on Friday July 1, with your boat decorated as much as you want, to commemorate Canada Day for the Canada Day boat parade
- Please contact us if you are willing to run any member engagement / virtual activities in order to enhance community spirit.
- If you know of good contractors / services in the area perhaps you (or we) could approach them so that our sponsor section can be used by cottagers to find recommended vendors.
- Please try to avoid the channel behind the Big Island, in order to ensure you are not picking up fragments of Starry Stonewort and spreading it to other areas of the Lake. If using the Public Boat Launch, then please make sure you stay between the channel that is marked by the white bottles.
- Clean/Drain/Dry - When transporting your boat from one Lake to another, please be sure to **Clean** your boat thoroughly by looking for and removing all plants, animals, and/or algae from your boat, your trailer and all of your fishing equipment. **Drain** all areas before transporting your equipment overland, by removing all drain plugs from your transom, bilge, motor, ballast and live-wells in order to allow all water to drain from your watercraft. And finally, it is strongly recommended that this CLEAN and DRAIN be followed by direct exposure to the sun for 5-7 days to thoroughly **DRY** your watercraft. These steps will prevent the spread of Invasive Aquatic Species from our Lake to other Lakes and vice versa.
- Please ensure that any visitors are also aware of the need to Clean, Drain and Dry their boats.
- Doug Colmer needs 4L or 5L white bottles that can be used to mark the channel at the boat launch, so anyone that has any of these white bottles, please drop them at the landing by the sign, drop them off to Doug, or call him to pick them up.

Minutes of Big Cedar Lake Stewardship Association (BCLSA) 2021 Annual General Meeting

Held: Wednesday April 27, 2022 at 7:00 pm via Zoom Call

34 Attendees

Brian called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone to the meeting. Brian reviewed some meeting logistics and the agenda, then conducted a couple of quick polls. The first was to determine how often members in attendance have attended the AGM in the past and the second poll was to determine where members attending the meeting are located on the Lake. It was good to see that there was good representation around the entire lake.

Brian then proceeded into the Business portion of the AGM meeting.

Financials & Election of Directors

Brian reviewed the Income Statement and Balance Sheet. Brian pointed out that as a not-for-profit organization, each year there must be zero profit, thus any funds left over must be marked as unearned contributions and moved to the following year. From 2021, we had excess funds of \$1,103 from the Membership fees and \$9,958 from the Healthy Lake contributions. This money will be moved to 2022 and, along with this year's fees and contributions, will be used to fund our programs this year. This is why we were able to lower the fees for this year.

Brian reviewed the history of numbers of contributions to the annual Membership and Healthy Lake fees.

Don was commended for his excellent bookkeeping skills and Linda and Gord were thanked for their detailed member audit of our financials and corporate tax that are filed. A motion to accept the financial statements was made by Brian, and seconded by Chris Goulding. The financial statements were accepted by a vote of the membership, all were in favour, other than 3 abstentions.

Election of Directors

There are currently 8 directors on the BCLSA Board: John Graham, Leo DeSorcy, Mike Mulgrew, Don Austin, Doug Colmer, Chris Graham, Diane Trauzzi, and Brian Stock. The directors normally serve a 2 year term. John, Leo and Mike are entering their 2nd year term; and Don Austin, Doug Colmer, Chris Graham, Brian Stock and Diane Trauzzi were nominated for re-election this year for another 2 year term and have graciously agreed to run. No new members were put forward, so all nominations were acclaimed. Brian thanked all the Board members for their service and the work that they do. He also encouraged other members to consider joining the board to help us with new ideas. Election of the officers will be held at the next Board of Director meeting with election of officers and formation of committee leads.

This concluded the business portion of the meeting.

For the remainder of the meeting content, please watch the video recording of the meeting, which is posted on YouTube at <https://youtu.be/MaRLCHVvsfk>.

After watching the video, please fill in our Feedback Survey to provide us feedback about the meeting at the following link: <https://forms.gle/h3jVxs1vq2A7MH2BA>

The following topics were covered:

- Update on the "Healthy Lake" program
 - Eurasian Milfoil
 - Starry Stonewort
 - *New: Spiny Water Flea*
 - Clean, Drain, Dry
 - Water Quality

- Guest Speaker – Dr. Paul Frost – Trent University
- Your Lake Community – General Updates
 - Peterborough County Official Plan Review
 - OEB Decision on Hydro Rates
 - Burleigh Dam Project
 - Municipal Elections
 - Property Assessments
 - Fireworks Bylaw
 - FOCA Membership Benefits
 - Spongy Moth Update
- Member Engagement & Virtual Activities
- Open Discussion & Questions

The meeting was adjourned at 9:12 p.m.