BABY, KERR, KID, LOST, MAN & MCKEOWN LAKE ASSOCIATION ANNUAL MEETING

DATE: JULY 29TH, 2023 **TIME**: 9:00 AM

MISSION STATEMENT:

To preserve and improve water quality, fish habitat, and the well-being of wildlife in our lakes and the watershed of which the above-named lakes are a part.

To encourage and participate in activities intended to prevent the emergence of aquatic invasive species in the lakes and the watershed and, if such emergence occurs, to control the growth and expansion of such species.

To educate lakeshore owners and other members of the public on proper conservation practices relating to the above purposes.

AGENDA:

- A. Call to Order Welcome: 9:00 am
- B. Contents of packet Mission statement
- C. Approval of agenda MOTION: S Kumpula/ J Rueter approved 18 / 0
- D. Approval of July 30, 2022, Meeting Minutes MOTION: D Dyer/ M Gulbranson approved 20 / 0
- E. Recognition of Current Board Members / Lake Reps /Past Board Members
- F. Loon counts: (Thanks to Charley & Sue Ready) -

Baby 14 Adults, 3 Chicks Kid 3 Adults, 0 Chicks Lost 3 Adults, 0 Chicks Man 10 Adults, 1 Chick McKeown 4 Adults, 0 Chicks TOTAL 34 Adults, 4 Chicks

G. New Business

UofM Genomics Study (Laura): attached doc – done in 2020 by former AIS lead and UoM, 15 samples of water taken from all 6 lakes. Testing for DNA of zebra mussels. Results – none detected in any of our lakes.

Zebra mussels are very invasive - cling to anything. CLEAN DRAIN DRY - must be diligent to not let this in. Hot water wash stations map available – more info on DNR website.

Board has done a lot – Ilids, settling plate, Limnopro study, education

Map of infested lakes in Cass County in folder.

Watch used boat lifts / docks as well.

If we see zebra on plates – need to contact DNR to help

Report from Texas lake infested with zebra mussels covered area with tarps and actually eliminated mussels. ***Should set up schedule to check settling plates at boat landing

H. Call for nominees/volunteers

President - Connie Johnson - Schmitt - approved - 22/0

Vice President - Mike Schmitt - approved 22/0

AIS Team Leader -

Kerr Lake Rep -

- Financial Report full documents in packet –
 2022 under budget \$1947.13, revenue of \$22561.41, expenses of \$8152.87
 2023 estimates revenue of 21,201.41, expenses of \$5,452.15
- J. Membership Report full report in folder to date 180 received, Encourage new owners / neighbors / kids to join current list of members is on the front table.
- K. Bruce Carlson, local author of **North Country Lake Throughout the Seasons:** presented topics of book / videos of what happens under water during the year. Happy to see interest in AIS.
- L. Presentation on Water Testing Stan/Mike Reviewed oxygen content on Man and Baby Lake.

Water testing - Participate with RBM labs - 5 samples per summer, done every other year.

2 different tests done with water samples – phosphorus / chlorophyll.

Secchi disk testing was done for clarity.

Bottom line – our lakes look good and healthy.

Ilids – update. Videos captured - 2120, videos reviewed 1607. Boats launched – 330.

DNR inspectors were on site as well.

Limnopro – lake survey this year. Baby, Man & McKeown – budget approved.

Visitor – Ruurd Schoolderman from the MN land trust, protects lands to keep clean. Work with landowners / conservation easement – funding available.

- M. Drawing for door Prizes: Thank you to Laura / Randy for guidance and service.
- N. Next Annual Meeting Saturday July 27th, 2024 -9:00 am.
- O. Adjourn MOTION: J Kumpula / L Turnacliff approved 22 /0