

**Boot Lake Association**  
**Meeting of the Board of Directors**  
**Saturday, June 10, 2007**  
**Home of the Jim and Judy Theisen**

**Attendees:**

Fred Luckeroth - Chair

George Thelen - Vice Chair

Pam Harvala - Treasurer

Dan Simms - Secretary

Larry Kavolak - Director

**~Minutes~**

- 1) The board has decided on no door prizes this year at the June pot luc
- 2) Dan Simms' term as secretary expires in 2007 - Dan Simms agrees to serve another term
- 3) George Thelen's term expires this year. Would like to step down and would like to see some young blood step up.
- 4) Dave Kloss' term is expiring - Dave would like to step down unless no one else steps up.
- 5) There will be two vacancies to fill. Vice Chair and board member. Volunteers to serve on the board are needed.
- 6) Discussion on having door prizes - vote for having 2 \$25 door prizes for the annual meeting. A vote was taken and passed unanimously
- 7) Some discussion about the occurrences .of aquatic invasive species in lakes as nearby as Portage Lake. A reminder to all property owners and lake users to make sure that boats are inspected, all vegetation is removed and bilges drained.
- 8) A reminder from Pam Harvala to be very careful about deer ticks.

- 9) Discussion of Report from MN Pollution Control Agency (May 4, 2007). Boot lake water quality is excellent and every effort should be taken to preserve it. The report will be posted on the web site and summarized in the newsletter and annual meeting
  - 10) Dan will be updating the bylaws on the website as they are slightly out of date.
  - 11) Presentation to the association by Doug Kingsley - Area Fisheries supervisor, MN DNR
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- Doug reported on the Boot Lake Fisheries Management plan
  - Explained the Proportion stock density
  - Boot lake is a research lake for stocking strategy. - chosen because of its characteristics of deep clear water etc.
  - Boot lake is lake class 23
  - Smaller Northern Pike should be harvested; larger ones should be released for better quality fish.
  - Not managing Boot Lake for Large Mouth Bass
  - No electro fishing is done. Gillnet/trap net testing is done...not as effective. Bass can avoid gillnets.
  - Crappies: Historically low counts. Crappies sampled best with trap nets.
  - Blue gills - best sampled with trap nets. Numbers are better than would be expected due to rapid drop off. Blue gills like shallow. Smaller bluegills should be harvested. There are too many for the food supply. Thinning the stock is desirable.

Full report from DNR:

[MN DNR-Boot Lake Fish Survey Report \(2006-0-814\).pdf](#)

~Meeting Adjourned 12:00 PM ~

*Submitted Wednesday, July 11, 2007*

*Dan Simms*

*Secretary, Boot Lake Association*