The Board of Directors’ meeting was called to order at approximately 10:00 a.m. by President Kevin Wolf. The following members were in attendance: Kevin Wolf, Chris Krogsgaard, Bryan Olschlager, Roger Levos, Jessica Franke, Deb Krogsgaard, Joe Moore, Jeff Boehm, Robin Turnwall, Jennifer Turnwall, Tom Bresnahan, and Tony Wilson in for Veronika Wilson.

**Secretary’s Report:** Robin Turnwall made a motion, seconded by Chris Krogsgaard, to accept the Secretary’s Report as printed. Motion was carried.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Jennifer Turnwall presented the treasurer’s report. Joe Moore made a motion to approve, seconded by Bryan Olschlager, motion carried to approve as printed. A copy of the treasurer’s report is attached. Jennifer also presented a listing of all Lake Association members. Deb will update and then forward out to all beach captains. A brief discussion was held on privacy and was determined to just keep the listing with the Board.

**COLA Report:** Unable to attend, Deb read the COLA report (attached) provided by Andy Wieland.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

A. **Passage between Buffalo/Rice/Rock Update:** Tom Bresnahan provided an update. Permits have been obtained and copies provided for our records. Yearly permits for Rice and Rock will need to be renewed annually at a cost of $35 for each permit. King Harvestor will provide a cost anticipated to be approximately $1500, outside the budget of the Association. Weeds will be harvested (cut down and a 15’ pass), rather than sprayed. After speaking with the Engineer of the Water Resource Board, he felt the Buffalo Red River Water Shed would be able to pay for the cost. If able to accomplish, the best weekend to harvest would be 4th of July weekend. The DNR still needs to access if there is any impact, and if so, they would probably stop the project. The harvest would only last one season and there is a need to keep doing until the path gets better. The access to Rice is private and is hard to get in and it is unknown what the bottom of the lake is like. If the project proceeds, the Board recommended emails should be sent to all land owners to see if they would be interested in having some weeds knocked down. Each land owner would need to get their own permit. Kevin thanked Tom for his work on this project.

B. **Loon Counts:** Tony Wilson (reporting for Veronika) stated 9 loons were counted on Buffalo Lake. There were no reports from Rice or Rock. During this discussion, we are reminded to all be respectful when using the lake – especially the jet skis as they are becoming more popular on the lake. Jessica will look for links on boat safety and use of jet skis.

C. **Lake Monitoring:** Roger stated he monitors the lake and rainfall levels. No monitoring was done on any of the lakes this year. Chinese Mystery snails are improving the water clarity.

D. **Door Prize Winners:** Door prize winners at the annual meeting were Roger Levos (Sunlite), DuWayne Gnadt, Jay Schurman, Dave Oakes, (Richwood Store), Mary McWethy (Richwood Winery) and Rick Morris, who won the T-Shirt donated by the Association.
E. **Beach Captain Packets:** Captains felt the distribution of the packets were a good thing to do. As a result, more people have joined. Jessica will put links to the various information on our website, including the map which designates the areas of responsibility for the beach captains.

F. **Recommended cost for Non-members newsletters (per annual meeting minutes):** Tom Bresnahan made a motion, seconded by Bryan Olschlager, to not charge non-members for the newsletter. Motion was carried. Beach Captains are encouraged to obtain email addresses when possible.

**Other Old Business:** Tom Bresnahan made a motion, seconded by Chris Krogsgaard, to comp BRRLA membership fees to the Richwood Winery for allowing us to utilize the winery for our meetings. Motion carried. Roger Levos stated with the completion of his shop, and would be an alternative location to hold our meetings.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

A. **Establish Audit Committee:** President Wolf looked for volunteers to serve on the audit committee. Chris Krogsgaard and Jessica Franke volunteered to serve on the committee. The audit will be completed prior to the annual meeting and the results presented at the annual meeting. Jennifer Turnwall brought to the Board’s attention the fiscal year is not specific. After a brief discussion, Robin Turnwall made a motion, seconded by Chris Krogsgaard, the fiscal year will be June 1 to May 31. Motion was carried. The by-law change will be voted on at the 2017 annual meeting.

B. **Newsletter:** Jessica will send out an email when she determines a due date for submission of articles. To be included would be: an order form for the T-Shirts/Sweatshirts – Deb will do. Kevin will write his Presidents message. Andy had written his COLA report and will forward to Jessica when needed. There was a question about an article on arsenic levels. It was determined Roger will provide the link on arsenic levels while Kevin will provide some information on cancer causing levels for general information. It was decided we would include in the Spring Newsletter an article on use of the lake to help educate our lake owners/users (jet skis.)

**Other Business:** Deb stated after reviewing the by-laws it states the Board will meet quarterly. A brief discussion was held as the Board is currently meeting semi-annually. Deb made a motion to revise the by-laws stating the Board of Directors will meet on a semi-annual basis. Motion was seconded by Jessica Franke and was carried. By-law change will be presented at the annual meeting.

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned by President Wolf at approximately 11:37 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Deb Krogsgaard, Secretary