The Annual Meeting of the Chautauqua Trail – Thursday, October 7, 2021 via Zoom

Attending:

Bay View, Michigan - David Antonini Chautauqua, Canada - Mary Lou Gardner, Randy Sonmor Chautauqua at the Dunes, Indiana - Becky Jascoviac Chautauqua, New York - Deb LeBarron Lakeside, Ohio - Bob Brucken, Bill Carlson, Nancy Carlson, Shirley Stary Pennsylvania - Bonnie Anderson, Sue Hostetter, Kathy Snavely Muskoka, Ontario - Glad Bryce, Gary Froude, Gayle Dempsey Park, Maine - Frank Gwalthney, Ron Drake, Jerry Gosselin, Ted Wade Wawasee, Indiana - Mark Knecht, Mary Moretto, Larry Lane Waxahachie, Texas - Kirk Hunter

Unrepresented: New Piasa, IL; DeFuniak Springs, FL; Plains, GA; Chautauqua Colorado; Chautauqua Ridgeway, Colorado; Epworth Assembly, Michigan; Monteagle, Tennessee

President Frank Gwalthney welcomed everyone at 10:02am. Announcements first: thanked Lakeside for keeping on, keeping on through their leadership changes. It's a bit of a challenge to coordinate things with officers in Maine, Canada, New York and PA, but we're pushing through. Hopefully, by January/February we'll have the website updated, which is apparently in an archaic form and no one who worked on it is still around. We also discovered the membership records were not pristine and we're working on updating that.

Traditionally, we start our meetings talking about their respective Chautauquas. Jerry Gosselin will open things up, talking about Ocean Park, Maine. Great to see everyone, new faces, Jerry stated. In OP, have stayed the course. He shared a screen presentation on the Chautauqua by the Sea. Founded in 1881 by the Free Will Baptists as an interdenominational Sunday School Assembly. The Temple is their original building (which originally seated 750), used for Sunday worship, weddings, exercise classes and other programming. Added Porter Hall later in the 1800s, utilized for meetings and more. Jordan Hall was dedicated in 1915, and it hosts meetings and performances. Ocean Park is within the boundaries of Old Orchard Beach. Recreation Hall is an additional building, housing most of the youth activities; next door are the tennis and shuttleboard courts. Memorial Library houses their celebration papers; the sidewalk is comprised of pavers, which was a very successful fundraiser. Several businesses are located in town as well. OP owns two cottages that may be rented. They added a bandstand in 2019. \$525G budget, with three staff, seven part-timers (employed at the post office) and 16 seasonal employees. They are membership driven, with 549 dues-paying members at \$150 annually, in addition to life members who contribute larger sums. Their board meets 10x yearly, with seven committees, and seven subcommittees. Operate for the summer season, and have their own realty company. They own/operate their own contract post office, which does very well. Engaged in a strategic planning process right now.

Wawasee, Indiana - Mark Knecht reported that they don't own any facilities. Founded in 2011, with a change in ownership at Oakwood Park (which was a summer camp); they transitioned into a privately owned resort. They've got two staff and an active board; they rent an office. Budget \$50G, seek grants and fundraising (\$9K). Programs are one time events, usually one hour long. No members. First program in April this year focused on gardening and Nov. 27 will be the last program of the season. Had multiple events on July 4th. The Lilypad Cruise occurs today. Two new programs this year, Taps Across the Water at Dusk, Memorial Day weekend. An annual fine arts festival. Also worked on a project collecting fun videos from across the community. 17 total programs, primarily to build and grow awareness. Worked on long range planning earlier this year and it was a great learning process; it included demographics, partnerships with other organizations, working on updating their logo to something more recognizable and connect with their audience some more.

Frank welcomed additions to the call, Muskoka and Bay View. Muskoka, Ontario - Gayle Dempsey shared a video, comprised of last year's activities. During COVID 2020, no programming was permitted; this year, they could have a max of 85 attending, reporting their attendance to the township. Two full time staff, one part-time and up to three summer students. Eight board members with a budget of \$200-250K. Do not currently have members. They've been embraced by the community on Wintermere, who has been so kind to share their facilities. In her powerpoint, she shared some programming highlights, including photos from Lake Rosso. July 19, 2021 was their 100th anniversary and featured a news story in the Chautauqua Daily. She reflected on their first meeting in CHQ NY when we were still known as the CHQ Network. The local chamber hosted a party for those organizations celebrating a significant milestone. Programs include films, yoga, artists in resident, performances, a family fun day and more; created a historic walking tour app. Painted paddles for a fundraiser. Created a beautiful map which will be installed next season. Wonders how COVID has affected each one of us. Utilized an outdoor pop up tent, a shed for indoor space for weather issued programs, had some film screenings under the stars, meet the violinist, authors readings, artists in residents, a pop up trailer that served a multitude of purposes. The Lions Club and Women's Institute were very helpful.

Frank asked that everyone using a Powerpoint or video email copies of their presentation to us, so they can be shared.

Chautauqua Canada, Mary Lou Gardner reported they are not a Chautauqua per se, but a group of people that love Chantauqua and identifying remaining Chautauquas in Canada. It has evolved over time, as their audience thought they wanted to take over their Chautauquas, which was not the case. She's working on a book with their histories, and more. She's working with one in northern British Columbia working on food security issues. A board of five, a minister, connections to arts and culture, a professor emeritis; we lost one group in a couple of years, but we have several new ones. They have a goal of visiting each CHQ in the next few years. Working on rebuilding their

website. Seeking unity for all Canadian CHQs, including a group of dog groomers (more than your first thoughts) and trying to encourage the participation of indigenous people.

Bay View, Michigan - David Antonini indicated you can go to their website to learn lots more about what's happening on their wonderful campus. 1875, with help from the Methodists; started as a Bible camp. 445 cottages, 990 members; annual budget is \$2 million. Endowment \$11 million. Located on Little Traverse Bay off Lake Michigan. They're really a community CHQ. 220 acres, including the Bay View Woods.

Lakeside, Ohio – Shirley Stary welcomed everyone to the meeting and shared a PPT, starting with a beautiful aerial shot of their waterfront. 1873 Methodist church camp. Shared photos of the pavilion, some of the 1000 cottages. Their mission and vision: programming on four pillars in their gated community. Those gate fees are a significant portion of their budget. 15 week season, with an active children's program focusing on lifelong learning. Hoover Auditorium was built in 1928 and it has gone through several renovations. Provided a good deal of outdoor programming during COVID. Blessed with the 29th season of the Lakeside Symphony. Did streamed-only performances this year. Center for the Arts broadcasted much programming this year. Still have their Wooden Boat Show with a plein air art festival. Lots of venues for recreation, including new pickleball courts. Many waterfront activities, including a regatta. Shuffleboard is big, with a youth tournament, 18 hole golf course, sand volleyball. Fourth year for the Grinley Aquatic and Wellness Center. Focus on being a family, intergenerational CHQ. Facing challenges with a change in leadership. Poised well with strategic plan to move forward. Board of over 20, volunteers of over 400 with a large staff – budget between \$14-15 M.

Mt. Gretna, Pennsylvania - Sue Hostetter is enjoying the reports from the other CHQs. In Central PA near the Susquehanna River. 1892 start, hustled along by railroad magnate Robert Coleman – who built a park here from whence Gretna bloomed. The Campmeeting and the Chautauqua leased land from him for \$1. Worked hard to bridge the gap between the Campmeeting and Chautauqua, just divided by one street.

Purchased Soldier's Field with people from all over Mt. Gretna who donated nearly \$1M. Visitor Center operated between Memorial Day and Labor Day. We have a playhouse housing performances by Gretna Theatre, Gretna Music and the Old Original Cicada Festival. Boards for groups: CH! board of managers, Foundation, Arts Council, Cicada Festival, Gretna Theatre, Gretna Music. Outdoor art show the third weekend of August, benefits the whole community. Campmeeting offers programming in their tabernacle. We have a library, school of art, quoits court, Historical Society (one of the original buildings), the lodge which features a restaurant, playhouse, Chautauqua Literary Scientific Circle building with a gift shop in it now. The new Gretna Arts Safety Council has focused on safety concerns with large numbers of people attending our events across the community. Got some grant money to operate. 2020, no programming in Hall of Philosophy; this year, about 40 programs in the HOP due to COVID including organ

recitals, film series, supper clubs. July 4th, the Keystone Rehrersburg band performed at the playhouse, with luminaries to the tennis courts for tree candlelighting. Mt. Gretna Photo Scavenger Hunt, Chautauqua University for a Day with four speakers, Religious Discussion Series, Sunday morning worship in the playhouse, Great American Poets Series, Lebanon Valley College Book Reviews, History on the Porch at the Historical Society, Ecological Programs, Mary Hernley's flower arranging class, architectural walks, vegan cooking class, school of art lectures, community picnic and lowering of the gavel at the end of the season. Staff of two full time (technically employed by the borough), 210 cottages in MG. We are on the National Register of Historic Places. Supported by donations – period. The Stewart Society (named after the first president of the board of managers) has 140 members in that group, who support summer programs with larger donations.

Chautauqua, New York, Deb LeBarron encouraged us to visit their new website for a full report. Founded in 1874, referred to others as the Mothership. 2018-2019 rebuilt the amphitheater, during COVID could only operate it at half capacity. 150 year round employees. During season, 1500 employees. Hard to find all the staff needed. Board of 25. Starting a new project to upgrade the maintenance building. \$35M operating budget with programs on just about everything.

Waxahachie, **Texas** - Kirk Hunter reported they have good weather there after a blistering summer. He showed a photo their auditorium building, constructed in 1902, owned now by the city. COVID really impacted them. The city prohibited any gatherings on their facilities. They are funded by the hotel/motel tax along with many other organizations; bought and installed new flagpole and outside electrical service at the auditorium. Because the building is closed up most of the time and well-maintained, it's very noticeable. In May, they offered the first program they were allowed to, with a musical concert with a student from Oberlin. Attended by 100 people, most of whom were wearing masks. It worked okay with limited capacity. Fourth year of the Trash Can Transformation, which is very popular; they then get set up the cans throughout the park. About 100 people were involved in that project, boy scouts, girl scouts, and lots more – took an hour to paint the can. They provided all the supplies for painting. 5 gallon steel drums (food grade) were used, which are fairly inexpensive. Had a birds of prey program, with specialists from San Antonio, with two shows with 250 attending. Good engagement with the community. Released two barn owls in the park, who just finished their rehabilitation. Planning on some collaborative projects coming up, one with the Rotary Club and the other with the Parks Department, working on additional seating and lighting. Maureen and Kirk are working on transitional leadership to the next generation of leaders.

Frank added that the transfer of leadership seems like a common thread today. Kirk explained that the pandemic has made people really think about how they spend their time.

Chautauqua at the Dunes, Indiana - Becky Jascoviak thoroughly enjoyed all the presentations. They're four years old; only half of programs have taken place thanks to COVID. Provide

programming in a state park. Started as a weekend, grew to four days, COVID hit and they've now moved to year round programming, including Improv on the Beach, art show with @18 artists, storytelling event, virtual poetry workshop (particularly well-received), yoga on the beach.

Frank suggested we break for lunch now and will reconvene at 1pm.

10/07/21 Afternoon session

Frank reconvened the meeting at 1:05pm. Frank asked for Bob/David to pass the minutes from our 2020 meeting. The motion carried.

Frank asked Deb if she has an oral Treasurer's Report; she'll send it out later. Frank mentioned that the CT has had some issues getting to our records; we think we're on the right path now and we're not bankrupt.

We'll do "round robin" sessions on several issues on the agenda.

WHAT ARE THE MOST SUCCESSFUL PROGRAMS?

- Dave, **Bay View** The American Experience Week, where a different professor comes in every year on one subject. They just got a \$10G to underwrite the program. Friday Forums on a range of topics, by a variety of presenters. And the International Films showings. Recreation programming is very strong with the waterfront facilities they have. The kids involved have a community service concert. Sunday night vesper programming is very strong. *La Taviata* was presented by the Opera Company this summer. The CROP Walk raised \$30G, and the Manna Project also did very well. Pickleball and tennis are popular. A well-attended class on Islam this summer went over well.
- Bob, **Lakeside** discovered their people are happy to have outside programming, often at the bandstand at the park. Can accommodate up to 300 there. Hoover seats 2,500. Our orchestra played for two weeks, rather than the usual four.
- Larry, **Wawasee** Purdue Glee Club, about 45 students, attracts about 400-500. Had a Pops Concert attended by 300 and portrayal of Lincoln, both housed in the local high school. Christmas Fest, the week after Thanksgiving is very popular; program lasts for about two hours and attracts a geographically wide audience. The Taps on the Lake went over extremely well; other lakes are interested in participating too. Three day Indian programming is popular with the kids.
- Gayle, **Muskoka** Artists in Residence and the Travel All Star Band has been with us for years. Literary programs also popular.

- Sue, **Mt. Gretna** Literary programming (book reviews), Poetry series, Friday evening series on various topics, Chautauqua University for a Day with Kathy's Blueberry Buckle (two classes in AM, lunch, two classes in the afternoon, followed by the wine & cheese tasting). Keystone Rehrersburg performance on July 4. Having Zoom and in person options for programming.
- Jerry, **Ocean Park** limitations because of Canadian borders still being closed off; Sunday services turned out very well, kid's programming extremely well-attended. Comedy improv camps, taught by U of NH professor, draws kids of all sorts
- Mary Lou, **Chautauqua Canada** new CHQ in British Columbia; two years ago, she left Muskoka area and moved to Niagra. Niagra on the Lake was booming until their hotel on the lake burned down. They're exploring with them the possibility of getting things going again. Grimsby, the start of Chautauquas in Canada, is also nearby, and exploring options with them. Welcomes our participation in this process.
- Deb, **CHQ NY** implemented a COVID 19 safety plan that was well-received. Also had a theatre/opera program (very expensive) that was well-received. CHQ Assembly program, online/
- Becky, **Chautauqua at the Dunes** Tried to figure out how to do their art show virtually with 2000 participants in the voting process (which overwhelmed them).

Glad, Muskoka - thought the most exciting aspect was the different ways they utilized their trailer

WHAT PROGRAMS WERE A DISAPPOINTMENT AND WHY?

Glad, **Muskoka** – no disappointments; a few glitches, but it was delightful season Gayle, **Muskoka** – Opera Muskoka was a great program too!

Deb, **CHQ NY** – started doing outdoor movies on the lawn at the atheneum were not received as well as we anticipated. Showed popular and kids movies. Getting darker later may have contributed.

Mary Lou, **CHQ Canada** – COVID put a dark spot on their plans. They're like the traveling Chautauquas in a way.

Bonnie, **Mt. Gretna** – our last supper club, someone who tested positive for COVID, so we had to follow up with everyone who attended

Nancy, **Lakeside** – their silent movies at Hoover with an organ accompaniest went really well; so much fun. It's been quieter at Lakeside, people came to relax.

Jerry, **Ocean Park** – Art in the Park/Plein Art Festival did not take place this year, thanks to COVID. Because of lower numbers in attendance, income was off, of course. Sunday plate collection was really down; last Sunday, entire collection went to Hurricane Ida relief – and we collected \$7G.

Sue, **Mt. Gretna** – some disappointments with speakers; another expensive speaker who refused to speak in person, only by Zoom – and we had the poorest attendance of the summer.

Frank, **Ocean Park** – these forums are a great way to share speaker ideas (and disappointments) with each other

Larry, **Wawasee** – Probably two disappointments – tried to put two programs together. The gardening program only attracted 18 people, but it was in April. The Jazz Band festival had 5 venue locations, but attendance was very limited; they even brought in someone to organize this who series. There's also an attitude out there, whether it's 5 or 20, low attendance isn't necessarily the fault of the subject.

Bob, **Lakeside** – since they lowered the gate fee, they intentionally did not plan any large group programs, there weren't large groups that came in for programming. (That caused a bump in our gate fees, too.)

Dave, **Bay View** – the community musical performances were well – attended but had mediocre reviews. All performing arts were off this year. Missed seeing the choir on stage.

Shirley, **Lakeside** – Blessed to do hundreds of programs, a wide variety – the visitor expectation was really off. Didn't have the bandwith to do big time programs because of COVID.

NEW PROGRAMS, AMENDMENTS for 2022?

Rob Drake, **Ocean Park** (President of the Board) – working on their visioning/long range planning project, so we're not far enough along to expand on that yet.

Shirley, **Lakeside** – finding new collaborations and partnerships to build on; building on hands-on workshops; creating inter-pillar programs (arts, culture, religion, education) with some overlap, building on lifelong learning

Dave, **Bay View** – expanding knowledge and diversity (religion, transgender, perhaps race) moving forward

Larry, **Wawasee** – Involving American Legion folks for Taps on the Water, expanding to four different lakes; film festival broadening and moving it to the end of the summer; building a relationship with a local theatre group with an orchestra – more partnerships

Gayle, **Muskoka** – tested out pay-what-you-wish and that turned out successfully; introduced a new partnerships with a film house in Ontario and hope to expand that and described a film about violins; auctioning off the painted paddles. Taking examples from CHQ NY, which they really appreciate. While people may be tiring of Zoom at this point, there is still a benefit to utilizing this with program options

Sue, Mt. Gretna – working on collaborations, continuing with Gretna Music and Gretna Theatre; one of staff members from Gretna Music is on the summer programs committee. We have four colleges with a 20 mile radius, so working on relationships with two of the schools we haven't had much interaction with to date.

Mary Lou, **CHQ Canada** – we've all been talking about the mental health issues that COVID has impacted; will have meeting in the next few months to address this matter. John, our CHQ historian in NY, has talked about reaching out to immigrants and how they can integrate our culture with theirs. Also talking about how CHQs may have Zoom meetings throughout the winter.

Deb, CHQ NY – nothing of which she is aware

Becky, Chautauqua on the Dunes – newest endeavor is a partnership with the Historical Society

Kathy mentioned we talked about the CHQs hosting programs weekly through a couple of weeks to share with each other's audiences.

Jerry, **Ocean Park** – building some religious programming that overlaps some of the pillars; the topic of inter-religious dialogue (believers vs. Atheists/Agnostics); Kathy mentioned Mt. Gretna discussed, having Tony Campolo and his son do a series on coming to consensus with people that don't share your religious values, but the program never came to fruition.

Frank mentioned that in the many first years of OP, they served communion every week. Is that something we want to talk about?

Nancy said there's value to go beyond region in the topic and broadening it to values, re: what Kathy mentioned. Frank mentioned one of his former students is an atheist. One common theme he keeps hearing from this audience is treating people as you would like to be treated.

HOW ARE WE ATTRACTING A YOUNGER AUDIENCE?

Glad, **Muskoka** – she works with a gang of young kids one afternoon a week at church; if CHQ can plug into something they need, where they can be themselves and express themselves, it would be a magnet. Our relationship with indigenous people could be grown, which will also attract more people.

Rob, **Ocean Park** – We need to find their interests and shape our programming to those ideas. What draws the parents of younger children?

Sue, **Mt. Gretna** – had a TEDX program locally a few years ago, and brought in some of the participants in the youth program. Gretna Music also has a youth musician doing a short performance prior to booked performances.

Dave had to leave, along with Sue H; said good bye.

Shirley, **Lakeside** – still need to find their audience and how to reach them; a good deal of young people want nothing to do with whatever their parents are going – that's normal; they've traditionally offered programming from Sat to Sat; looking at keeping the gate fee reasonable; 12 and under are free; seeing more diversity on the grounds; working on "summer camp experiences" for amateur musicians, family retreats for 2-4 days.

Bill, **Lakeside** – aside from programming, facilities also need to be considered; rebuilt the baseball courts and now those courts are jammed with activity. These recreational programs are really used by their families. Shirley added the new arts program they started a few years ago, where young people are teaching younger ones some creative activities. Also looking at sports training camps.

Gayle, **Muskoka** – Gayle thanked Glad for getting young people on their board; they also engage young artists; their social media is often done by younger folks

Jerry, **Ocean Park** – added that within the OP culture, they kinda hope for drawing people into their programs; they're not necessarily mission-driven. Cited the example of a composting program that has exceeded their expectations.

Bonnie, **Mt. Gretna** – we've been struggling for years with this subject; most of the folks from our community are retirement age. Young parents are running their kids around to various activities, so expecting those parents to be involved may be asking too much.

Nancy, **Lakeside** – built on what Bonnie stated; Lakeside family programs – there's a lot of safety built into the community. Harder to do in an ungated environment.

Mary Lou, **CHQ Canada** – when she went to Mt. Gretna several years ago, the kids made simple boats and let them go on the lake; it was charming. We need to get away from our own way of

looking at Chautauqua and change the name to suit your audience (like changing religion to spirituality, for example). We plan it too much – get the young people to plan their own programs.

Deb, **CHQ NY** – our perspective on youth was targeted to young adults; have a food truck on campus. Have a new gate pass for just being on the grounds. Millenials don't want to part with their money. Outdoor movies perhaps should be geared to them.

Glad, Muskoka - thought the discussion was good

ARE YOUR VISITORS ALL SEASON OR JUST FOR A WEEK?

Jerry, **Ocean Park** – their visitors are a mishmash; lots of people come every year who aren't necessarily committed to CHQ programming. Many vacationers from all over the place; they seem to like programming, especially if they're there for a week or more. Family time seems to be their focus.

Gayle, Muskoka – Less than half are seasonal, less than half are residents and the rest vacationers

Bob, **Lakeside** – He understand the overwhelming majority of people on the grounds are visitors renting.

Bonnie, **Mt. Gretna** – a lot of people come to go to lake, ice cream shop, playhouse programs for the day; some cottages for rent; family cottages that are there for the summer are likely a thing of the past

Shirley, **Lakeside** – COVID summers have been different than pre-COVID years. People aren't going to NC and other places, but staying more local – which bodes well moving forward. It's a challenge to manage the ebbs and flows.

Rob, **Ocean Park** – evolution of our members; families are not staying for the whole summer, which impacts how they feel about their community.

Glad, **Muskoka** – what they've found is it isn't necessary that they're there, but what they come for.

CORE VALUES – DO WE ALIGN? Yes, we all do, Frank stated. Anyone disagree? Shirley said people might not understand the concept of CHQ. But we know that people are craving it! Frank noted that he did not open our meeting today, as he usually does, reciting our mission. Shirley is not seeing our mission on the website.

The **CHQ Trail rack card** is on hold because of the issues with our records needing to be revised and our website needs to be revised. Frank noted if you're within 250 miles of a national park, they have a free service to put your brochure there. We'll come back to each CHQ to see the draft and figure out how many copies you want.

DO WE NEED TO MEET MORE THAN ONCE YEARLY?

Heard someone say no, and others chimed in. Shirley said we have technology to host additional sessions if we'd like to – keep it a fluid opportunity.

HOW ARE CHQs being impacted by VRBO, AirBNB, rentals in your CHQ – and has it been positive or negative??

Jerry, **Ocean Park** – Air BnB and the like initially hit as a popular, faddish thing to do, but the customer service aspect cannot match what they do at Ocean Park Realty; they have good brokers who respond to needs in a timely basis that AirBNB and VRBO cannot match.

Frank, **Ocean Park** – added there were issues where the occupancy was eight and they jam 18 people in there. Their brokers check in on those groups.

Bonnie, **Mt. Gretna** – as family cottages are being put on the market, they're being purchased by little incorporated groups. The borough gives them only 2 parking permits. The renters aren't really interested in our community – they go to Hershey or Lititz, but they offer noisy parties at night, etc. Our residents are hesitant to call the police. Renters have been a negative experience. We don't have our own realty company. How do we stop these corporations from primarily making a buck from the back of the community?

Frank, **Ocean Park** – From the perspective on non-gated communities, we've learned they are forprofit party houses; when the houses are destroyed, they just move to another house.

Shirley, **Lakeside** – AirBNB, VRBO listings don't mention gate fees, no alcohol, family-orientation. Our certified renters within the gates pay a small fee – doesn't happen with AIR BnB and VRBO.

Deb, **CHQ NY** indicated that some of their homeowners aren't informing their renters of these details either.

Mark, Wawasee – apparently you have no covenants to protect you....

Shirley has details on their lease. Bob Brucken, the ultimate solution is formulating a lease.

Kathy suggested setting up a small committee to investigate alternatives for this matter. Bob Brucken, Kathy Snavely, Frank Gwalthney volunteered to do some research.

Nancy asked if we are reaching out to new CHQs, and members we haven't heard from in awhile. Kathy reminded Frank that Mary Lou volunteered to do this as a part of her responsibilities. Chris Mitchell, DeFuniak, is trying to find out what's going on with Plains, GA.

Frank entertained ideas for the nomination of officers:

Bill/Shirley nominated Frank as President. Unanimously endorsed. Deb/Nancy moved for Mary Lou at Vice President. Unanimously endorsed. Nancy/Mark moved for Kathy as Secretary. Unanimously endorsed. Bill/Mary Lou moved for Deb as Treasurer. Voted unanimously to accept.

Frank mentioned we'll have a complete Treasurer's report out before the Super Bowl.

Mark asked presenters to share their videos/PPT to share them with everyone else.

Kathy mentioned she'll have the draft minutes out in a few days, so everyone will have all the emails of this group.

Bob asked for a word about next year's dues. Frank announced next year, we'll be meeting in Wawasee. We'll also send out who is committed to host for the next few years to host the annual meeting. Kathy mentioned the original plan was to meet at the Mothership on the year's ending in 5 and 0.

Mark asked if this time of year a good time to have a meeting. Shirley asked if we want to do it in season. Wawasee if year round, so that's why they thought October would be more convenient. He would like it to be a collaborative decision. The group responded the first or third weekend of October because of Canadian Thanksgiving. The weekend starting Sept. 30 seems like the best for 2022.

Nancy mentioned Lakeside will be meeting sometime in August. Hosts select their own hosting date.

With our adjournment, we no longer need to meet tomorrow. Mark/Glad seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried at 3:54pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Snavely, Secretary