Wizard Lake Watershed & Lake Stewardship Association

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BOARD MEETING September 4, 2025
Location: Blake's house
Time: 7pm

AGENDA

LINK: "Shane will send out"

1. Welcome
2. Treasurer Report
3. Approval of August 16, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes
4. Comments/questions from August 30th Week in Review
5. Open discussion on the following topics:
    a. Survey – Blake, Robert, LeVerne
    b. Bylaws - Blake
    c. Carvings (Seahorse, Bear, Hawk)
    d. AGM comments/conversations
    e. Owl Release Saturday August 30, 2025
6. Try It Date February 7, 2026 (TBD)
7. Approval of 2026 Grant Funding Agreement : November 15, 2025 to November 15, 2026 (Community Special Projects) DRAFT
8. Workshop: Leduc County Grants Program Opportunities; Event and Program Discussion; Networking & Resource Sharing September 6, 2025 10am – 3pm.
9. Next meeting _____
10. Motion to close meeting at _____ Motion by _____ Seconded by _____

Attachment:

1. August 16, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes
2. 2025 Board of Directors
3. 2026 Grant Funding Agreement : November 15, 2025 to November 15, 2026 (Community Special Projects) DRAFT

**MINUTES:**

Attendees: Blake Bartlett, Linda Bartlett, Kate Daniel, Linda Hutchinson, Kathie Drynan, John Hrynkow, Richard Ipsen, Bryan Mason, Ray Assaf, Elise Pallard, Shane Hammell, Robert Skwarok
Regrets: LeVerne Ellsworth, Kevin Cummings, Brian Clemo, Corey Drynan, Reg McKinney

Blake asked if there are any additions to the Agenda. Linda Bartlett mentioned she had an amendment to the August 16, 2025 minutes.

- Blake welcomed everyone including Directors on Zoom
- John Hrynkow, Treasurer gave Treasurer's update. Robert Skwarok motioned to accept the treasurer report. Kate Daniel seconded.
- August 16, 2025 Board Meeting Minutes approved with amendment noted - Motion made by John Hrynkow to accept minutes with the amendment "Brian Clemo nominated Robert Skwarok for Vice-Chair position to which Robert Skwarok declined"; Seconded by Bryan Mason.
- No concerns on the August 31, 2025 Week in Review.
- Open discussion/comments on the following topics:
    a. Survey – A draft copy of WLWLSA survey was circulated for discussion/ comments/changes/format etc. Further discussion is required on how to circulate the survey, distribution to not only WLWLSA membership and mailing list but other groups around Wizard Lake along with survey platforms available and whether there is a cost. Elise Pallard is checking this. Robert Skwarok will make some adjustments to the draft survey and it will be recirculated to the board for further discussion. Ray Assaf brought forward the suggestion of using the AI platform to refine what WLWLSA is wanting to achieve through a survey such as this. Ray also brought forward a suggestion of having a one page of information that could be handed out at the boat launch area. Kathie Drynan brought forth a suggestion of using a QR format of 'Guidelines/Information when using Wizard Lake'. Further survey discussions will be moved to the January 08, 2026 board meeting.
    b. Bylaws – Blake brought forward the suggestion that Leduc County, Parks and Recreation can/will look at WLWLSA bylaws and offer feedback to the Board. Consensus was that feedback would be an option for the Board to see if it is time to revisit WLWLSA bylaws. Linda Hutchinson volunteered to be on a review committee should one be developed.
    c. Carvings – As there was no suggestions brought forward, the topic of carvings would move to the January 2026 Board Meeting. Blake would welcome suggestions be send to him.
    d. AGM August 16, 2025 attendance was 35. Good conversations were held with David Trew, guest speaker and members.
    e. 2026 Try It Event – February 7, 2026.
    f. Blake brought forward information on the 2026 Leduc County Grant Funding Agreement to be in effect for November 15, 2025 to November 15, 2026. Draft copy of the contract was circulated to the board for feedback. Adjustments are needed to the draft copy; therefore a revised contract will be circulated to the board. Blake to look into WLWLSA's insurance coverage.
- AB Society of Injured Birds of Prey – great horned owl release – August 30, 2025 at Jubilee Park Day Use Area was a success with approximately 80 people watching the owl being released.
- Blake and Linda will be attending the Leduc County Rural Community Association Workshop September 6th, 2025 10am-3pm.
- Blake brought forth a discussion/update on the WRP projects. Conversations with landowners is still a work in progress.
- Blake advised the Board in the August 31, 2025 Week in Review that he along with Dorte Koster, Associated would be presenting at the 2026 ALMS Conference in Waubamun September 24/25, 2025.
- Next Board Meeting: January 08, 2026.
- Meeting adjourned at 9:40pm. Motion by Robert Skwarok. Seconded by Linda Bartlett.