

**Keuka Lake Association**  
**2024 Annual Meeting Minutes**  
July 20, 2024, 9:00 AM  
Keuka College

**1. Call to Order**

- **President Steve Brigham** opened the meeting at 9:00 AM, welcoming attendees to the 2024 Keuka Lake Association Annual Meeting.
- He noted a full and informative agenda covering topics such as:
  - The state of the lake
  - Water quality projects
  - Navigation rules
  - Fishery reports

**2. Quorum Confirmation**

- As mandated by the KLA By-Laws, the 2024 Annual Meeting was officially called to order.
- **John Hagreen** was asked to confirm whether a quorum was present.
- Upon confirmation of the quorum, Steve Brigham declared that the KLA could proceed with conducting official business.

**3. Election of New & Returning Officers:**

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|-----------------|-----------|-------------|--------|
| Rory Long       | Milo      | Nolan Smith | Urbana |
| Steve Heller    | Jerusalem |             |        |
| Rob Dintruff    | Jerusalem |             |        |
| Dr. Bob Lambert | Jerusalem |             |        |
| Jeanne Estep    | Pulteney  |             |        |

**4. Approval of 2023 Meeting Minutes**

- A motion was entertained to approve the **minutes from the 2023 Annual Membership Meeting**.
- The motion was carried with a majority in favor.

**5. Recognition of Retiring Directors, Officers and Key Support**

- Steve Brigham expressed appreciation for the continued support of KLA members.
- He emphasized the dedication and active engagement of the **KLA Board of Directors**, referring to it as a "working board" committed to protecting and preserving Keuka Lake.

**6. Recognition of Board Members and Officers**

**Town Representatives:**

- **Barrington:** Karen Griffin
- **Jerusalem:** Steve Heller, Bob Lambert
- **Milo:** Bill Laffin, Bob Karczewski
- **Pulteney:** Doug DeFranco, Jim Howitt
- **Urbana:** Nolan Smith, Jim Horner
- **Wayne:** Wayne Hand

**At-Large Members:**

- Rob Dintruff
- Rory Long
- Darryl Heckle
- Jeanne Estep

**Officers:**

- **Vice President:** Sue Oliver
- **Treasurer:** Diane Edwards
- **Secretary:** John Hagreen

## 7. Acknowledgment of Technical Advisors

- **Dr. Lisa B. Cleckner**, Director of the Finger Lakes Institute – recognized for her aquatic research and outreach work.
- **Colby Petersen**, Yates County Soil and Water / KWIC Watershed Manager – praised for his broad-based support of agriculture, science, and policy.
- **Scott Demmin**, DSD Webworks – credited for his work on the KLA website and septic management system.

## 9. Recognition of Past Leadership

- Past Officers and Board Members present in the audience were acknowledged and thanked for their service to the KLA.

## 10. Staff Transitions

- **Amanda Marino**, Executive Assistant, was recognized for her dedicated service as she prepares to relocate with her family this fall.
- **Kate Parsons** was introduced as Amanda's replacement. Kate will also assume the role of **Secretary**, replacing John Hagreen. She was commended for her early contributions, including:
  - Coordinating the office relocation
  - Assisting with the annual golf tournament
  - Organizing the 2024 Annual Meeting

## 11. Transition to Treasurer's Report and Scholarship Presentation

- President Brigham invited **Diane Edwards**, KLA Treasurer, to the stage to:
  - Present the 2024 **Scholarship Winner, Lexy Wilson**
  - Diane reviewed the **financial status** of the Keuka Lake Association
  - Jim Horner gave the Audit & Financial Review Report

## 12. Special reports

a. Lake Patrol Report- Rory Long- Special thanks were extended to the following law enforcement personnel for their support and service to the lake community. Each gave a short presentation:

- **Sheriff Frank Ryan** and **Deputy Pam Housel**, Yates County Sheriff's Office
- **Sheriff Jim Allard**, Steuben County Sheriff's Office
- **DEC Officer Sean Rockefeller**, New York State DEC

b. Water Quality Update- Sue Oliver gave a presentation that showed what a "KLA Day on the Boat" looks like and gave an overview of the KLA's water sampling schedule.

c. Keynote Speaker- Colby Petersen, Yates County Soil & Water Conservation District. Colby gave a presentation on current agricultural projects that are being done to aid in protecting the lake from farmland runoff.

d. Lake Level Report- Wayne Hand discussed how the KLA worked with KLOC over the last year to manage the water level and maintain specific parameters.

e. Membership Committee Report- Bob Karczewski discussed how the KLA is planning to encourage new and returning membership through more events and outreach. He discussed the excitement of the recent Annual Golf Tournament.

13. Rory Long led a short Q & A session where members were invited to join in.

**Adjournment at 11:00am.**

**Meeting Minutes Prepared By:**

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