

Board of Directors Meeting

Tuesday, June 9, 2026

7-9pm via Teams video conference

Agenda

1. Call to Order/Roll Call
 - A. In attendance: Jessica Bizub (Executive Director), Rob Schuettpelz (contract Accountant), Jim Rogala (President), Alice Mirk (Vice President), Harvey Halvorsen (Secretary), Kay Weinke, Peter Hartman, Nancy Gloe, Cheri Salzberg, Jerry Newman, Jon Rigden, Jay Rutherford, Peter Fritz, Rich Henderson, and Katie Hahn
 - B. Absent: Addeline Theis Paradis and Shawn Kadlec
2. Adopt Meeting Agenda
 - A. Jessica Bizub proposed change to meeting agenda, items 8(G) and 8(H) moved to after item 4.
 - B. **Motion** to adopt Amended Agenda proposed, seconded, discussed, and approved without opposition.
3. Approve [Consent Agenda](#)
 - A. **Motion** to approve consent agenda proposed, seconded, discussed, and passed without opposition.
4. Treasurer's Report - Jay Rutherford
 - A. ACTION ITEM: March 2026/EOFY Financial Reports – [Dashboard](#) and [Details](#), including [cash balances](#).
 - B. **Motion** to approve financial reports proposed, seconded, discussed, and passed without opposition.
5. President's Report - Jim Rogala
6. Item 9(H) on Agenda – Financial Reporting to Chapters
 - A. Jay Rutherford will meet with Chapter Treasurers to discuss proposed changes to Chapter financial reporting, to be discussed at the next Finance Committee meeting.
 - B. The Board discussed options and decided to continue discussions but make no changes for now.
7. [Executive Director's Report](#) – Jessica Bizub
 - A. Jessica Bizub will make the "Advancement Year-Over-Year Trends" PowerPoint she showed available to Board members once it is finalized.
8. Old Business

General Board

- A. ACTION: Endowment Variance Request

- i. Rich Henderson clarified that there are 3 sites and one of the sites is a 3-acre remnant, rather than planted prairie. The Empire-Sauk Chapter has been burning the remnant property.
- ii. **Motion** to approve this variance to the Handrick Endowment proposed, seconded, discussed, and approved without opposition.

9. New Business

General Board

A. Elections

- i. Jim Rogala proposed that Secretary position be left temporarily vacant while Katie Hahn requests approval to hold the Secretary position from her employer.
- ii. Jim Rogala elected to another 2-year term as Board President.

Land Management Committee

B. ACTION: [Borah Creek Management Plan 2026](#)

- i. **Motion** to approve proposed, seconded, discussed, and passed without opposition.

C. ACTION: [Chainsaw Policy](#)

- i. **Motion** to approve, with two amendments ("all staff" changed to "all Land Management staff" and that battery powered chainsaws must have the battery removed during transportation), proposed, seconded, discussed, and passed without opposition.

Land Protection Committee

D. ACTION: [Millville Conservancy Final Project Proposal 2026](#)

- i. **Motion** to approve final proposal proposed, seconded, discussed, and passed without opposition.

E. ACTION: [Chandler add to Parrish Oak Savanna Preliminary Proposal 2026](#)

- i. **Motion** to approve preliminary proposal proposed, seconded, discussed, and passed without opposition.

F. ACTION: [Denruiter add to Rattlesnake Ridge Preliminary Proposal 2026](#)

- i. **Motion** to approve preliminary proposal proposed, seconded, discussed, and passed without opposition.

Finance Committee

G. ACTION: Endowment Distributions - [TIAA Trust](#) and [TIAA non-Trust](#)

- i. Jessica Bizub updated the Board that the Trust recommended all requested disbursements be made except for the Chapter Support-General Use funds.
- ii. **Motion** to approve the Trust endowment distributions, except for the Chapter Support – General Use fund, proposed, seconded, discussed, and passed without opposition.
- iii. **Motion** to approve the non-Trust endowment distributions proposed, seconded, discussed, and passed without opposition.

Future Meetings

- September 15, 2026; 7-9p.m.
- November 24, 2026; 7-9p.m.
- February 7-8, 2027 MEETING & RETREAT
- March 30, 2027; 7-9PM

All the linked materials were provided to the Board ahead of time in the Board Packet.