

2026 Volunteer Activities

1) Executive Committee:

Elected Officers include the President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. There are also two Trustee positions that are nominated and voted upon who represent the Trustee's at the Executive meetings. Other members are appointed by the President when required.

2) Lake Management Committee and Sub-Committee's:

The Lake Management Committee addresses boating safety and issues which have an impact upon our two lakes. This would include fishing improvement, and phosphorus inactivation projects. This committee also contributes to the Comprehensive Lake Management Plan (CLMP) and Aquatic Management Program (AMP). The Committee Chair shall serve as liaison with several resources including the WI Department of Natural Resources, Polk County Water Resources Department and Polk County Lakes and Rivers (PCLAR).

3) Healthy Lakes Sub-Committee:

This committee oversees and promotes the WI DNR Healthy Lakes program for Wapogasset and Bear Trap Lakes in conjunction with the Sanitary District and our WBT Lake Plan.

4) Lake Monitoring Sub-Committee:

The Lake Monitoring Committee shall be responsible for tactical activities related to shoreline, lake, watershed quality and self-help water monitoring activities. Their activities would include oversight and collection of relevant lake monitoring data, buoy management, clean boats/clean waters, water patrol and neighborhood watch programs.

5) Fish and Dam Sub-Committee:

This committee works with our dam management, maintenance and reports as well as interacts with our lakes fish issues.

6) Boating Safety Sub-Committee

The boating safety committee members are formed to provide a group which can address boating safety and issues which have an impact upon our two lakes. The committee members should be representative of the stakeholders on the lakes whose goals are to maintain safety on our lakes as well as maintaining the lakes' health and quality.

7) Community Relations Committee:

This committee will also be responsible for planning and management of social activities for our lake association including but not limited to, the Spring Social, July 4th activities and Recognition Dinner. The outreach activities such as Sunshine club and 400 club.

8) Communication/Education Committee:

The Communication Committee shall facilitate the development and delivery of educational presentations and publications responsive to needs identified by the Executive Committee and/or Board of Trustees. This committee would be responsible for coordinating publication of the lake directory and overseeing website, email, and other social media activities (i.e., Facebook). Supports the Lake Scene.

9) Nominating /Audit Committee:

The Nominating Committee shall interview prospective candidates for officer positions and prepare a list of nominees and present them to the membership 21 days prior to the Annual Meeting in odd-numbered years. At their discretion, they may recommend an individual for Honorary Life Membership. They shall receive, review, and verify all records, accounts, transactions, and financial reports of the Treasurer and reconcile with invoices, bank statements, receipts and canceled checks and present a report with observations and recommendations to the general membership at every Annual Meeting.

10) Ways and Means Committee

This committee has been created to establish criteria for donations of the WBTLA funds. They will establish a program to receive and evaluate requests and make recommendations. The goal is to further support benefits to our lakes.

11) Membership Committee

Our membership committee is responsible for yearly campaigns to promote membership dues that support the lake association's efforts to improve our two lakes and provide social events. The membership drive starts early spring with the mail out of our membership forms which contain email options for email communications, various dues categories, Fall lake directory listing information, and volunteer opportunities. This committee maintains the current lake database for lake residents, members and nonmembers, and coordinates for Lake Scene distribution lists.