



Summary of AGM & First Directors Meeting

1) Annual General Meeting – March 21st 2016

The Ambassadors welcome to the Board: Paul Christy (President), Denise Lemaster (Vice-President), Taoya Schaefer (Secretary), Cody Hollick (Treasurer) and the following Directors at Large: Grace van Melle, Heather Leschied, Max Fanderl, Nevada Nicholas, Olga Bayliss, Roslyn Johnson and Tracy Flynn. Al Miller and Wendy Booth will continue to sit on the Board as Advisors representing the District of Invermere and the Regional District of East Kootenay respectively.

Thank you to our outgoing Directors for their invaluable dedication and time in service of the Lake Windermere Ambassadors' vision!

2) Update on Funding Support

- Recent successful applications:
 - Real Estate Foundation of BC for Columbia Headwaters Ambassadors Project (2016-2018)
 - Columbia Valley Local Conservation Fund for Water Quality and Quantity Monitoring Project (2016-2017)
- The Ambassadors are seeking funding to help design a strategy for Watershed Tours in the Upper Columbia River Basin, through the Columbia Basin Trust-RDEK Community Initiatives program.

3) Upcoming Events

- **Spring Shoreline Clean ups hosted by the Ambassadors**
 - April 1: Windermere Elementary Grade 7s at Windermere Beach;
 - April 10: James Chabot Provincial Park, Kinsmen Beach/Dorothy Lake and Athalmer/public boat launch area with picnic lunch by Rocky River Grill.
- **Wings Over the Rockies – Reflections on Water tours by Ambassadors**
 - May 10: Upper Columbia Watershed Tour by bus from the Headwaters to the popular recreational mecca of Lake Windermere;
 - May 14: Two pontoon boat tours led by Megan Peloso and Captain Pete from Pete's Marina give participants a chance to experience the renowned community-based water quality monitoring program.

4) Lake Management Committee

- The Ambassadors are currently designated Lake Management Committee by the Regional District of East Kootenay and District of Invermere. All three groups meet on April 11th to review the performance of this role in preparation for a five year term renewal.

5) Next Meeting

- Wednesday, April 27th 5:00-7:00PM at 625 4th Street (South Annex)

Mission: Through collaboration of representatives of key community sectors, the Lake Windermere Ambassadors will serve as a resource for future projects benefiting the health of Lake Windermere.

Ambassadors Board meetings are open to the public and we invite community groups to contact us to schedule a meeting or presentation regarding our programs.

For more information, contact: Megan Peloso at info@lakeambassadors.ca / (250) 341-6898