

**LaPSI Meeting Minutes**  
**March 18, 2016**

Attendees: Tony Serianni, Diane Tulloh, Jody Hedges, Barbara Quandt, Virginia Surso, Mark & Jan Laurent

**Data Collection**

- Diane has several Excel data files that need to be organized and possibly graphed. Virginia will check on possible student help. Possible Eagle Scout project.
- Lowrance is Gen 1, which doesn't work with Insight Genesis mapping software. Mark is still checking on options for firmware upgrade or mapping software.
- Testing
  - DO, Temp, Secchi, *E. coli*: Continue conducting in May, July and Oct.
  - Adding P thru Turkey Creek – (not sure how many they will do and may need to verify results)
  - Begin testing for N - Verify a few initial results thru independent commercial testing.
  - FWA in April and various times throughout the year.
  - SOPs – Diane and Tony will determine current doc and post to technical site.

**Hoosier Riverwatch** – testing in Fish and Wildlife Area

- Already have test kit – need to test 4x a year for 2 years
- Additional training available – Arleen Corson is attending, Barbara may attend.
- Trying to find additional testing resources – Scouts? (Scott Fox), Virginia knows other scout leaders. Tony's daughters may attend training in June.

**Fish and Plant studies**

- Conducted by Aquatic Control, paid with PPA and LaPSI money (donated by Anthony).
  - Plant survey in spring and fall 2016; fish survey in fall 2016
- Diane and Charlotte will coordinate with Aquatic Control so we can consistently continue conducting plant surveys.

**Weed Removal**

- Kevin Sisko on Hiawatha may be willing to provide removal site. Jan will collect additional information regarding costs involved.

**Speakers**

- Possibly coordinate with Heather Harwood at WACF. Diane will follow up.
- Jennifer Tank (Notre Dame biologist) or Gary Lamberti (ND lake expert) known expert on phosphate and sedimentation. Tony will check after Diane checks with WACF.
- Possible dates (if not coordinated with WACF) – Sept/Oct. Announce at annual meeting.

**Other**

- Barbara Quandt is taking a Naturalist program. The same program Arlene Corson completed.
- Indiana Bicentennial torch passing thru Syracuse on 9/29/16.
- What should we put on PPA website? Mark will investigate.
- Consider 501(c) non-profit status for LaPSI. Possible grants – US D of A, No. Amer. Lake Mgmt Society. Diane and Jan will follow up. Tony willing to coordinate grant requests.
- Clean-up day April 2, 10-2 at PPA building.

**Future Topics**

- Sediment loading
- Water turnover in lake
- Next meeting – May 20, 2016