Friends of Tettegouche State Park Annual Meeting Minutes Wednesday, September 22, 2021 6:00 p.m. Tettegouche State Park – Natural Play Area

Members Present: Paula Anderson, Andy Beim, Jill Beim, Sue Harrington, Terry Miller, Sandy Manning, Morris Manning, Ann Palecek, Lowell Palecek, Cindy Tackett, Pauline Tischman **Guests:** Anne Moseman

6:00 PM Natural Play Area Site Tour: Attendees toured the natural play area, reviewed the placement of play elements and status of development. Jill Beim reviewed the construction timeline beginning October 11th with fill work and grading by Class two will be delivered September 28. Tettegouche staff and then application and compacting of class two to the accessible paths and accessible play areas. Volunteers will do the compacting, construct and install the accessible play table and other elements in the C and D sites. Morris Manning prepared a photo book to illustrate examples of play elements and site plan.

Jill discussed covid requirements and passed out Volunteer Agreement forms. A decision from the DNR regarding whether or not proof of Covid vaccine is pending.

Meeting Convened: Jill Beim convened the business meeting at 6:40 p.m., a quorum being present. Morris Manning noted that the meeting notice was emailed 9/06/2021.

During the business meeting attendees enjoyed a campfire while sipping hot apple cider provided by Jill and Andy Beim. Jill suggested we each introduce ourselves and mention our favorite place at Tettegouche.

Approval of Minutes: Jill called for any additions or corrections to the 9/23/2020 annual meeting minutes which were emailed with the meeting notice. Hearing none, she called for motions for their approval.

Motion: Sue Harrington moved; Pauline Tischman seconded approval of the annual meeting minutes of the September 23, 2020. Motion approved.

Reports: Cindy Tackett was congratulated for developing three nature themed learning kits for donation to the Silver Bay Public Library. Cindy passed around one of the kits which contains a selection of books and other learning materials. Cindy also reported on the Nature Book Club that she developed and hosts on zoom. Cindy represents Friends of Tettegouche as part of a collaboration with the North Shore Mental Health Group on a community well-being initiative. As part of that initiative, Friends of Tettegouche is sponsoring an intergenerational geocaching event at Tettegouche on October 23rd.

Jill reported that Friends of Tettegouche's participation in the Parks and Trails sponsored Summer Scavenger Hunt generated 121 entries. The next highest was 68 entries. Morris noted this participation was due largely to Jill's excellent web, Facebook and flyer promotion. He further acknowledged the invaluable contribution Jill has made to our organization through her development of a very well-done website.

Unfortunately, Covid restrictions have curtailed most on-site volunteer activities this past year. Jill reported that the board will be reviewing goals for 2022 in preparation for

renewal of the Memorandum of Agreement and anticipates program goals are likely to remain largely the same with the hope it will be possible for Covid restrictions to be lifted. She noted a Program Committee will be convened soon.

Nomination and Election of Directors: At Jill's request, Terry Miller, an incumbent director, facilitated the nomination and election of directors. Jill Beim, Morris Manning and Pauline Tischman's terms on the board are expiring. All agreed to serve another two-year term, if elected. No one responded to calls for nominations.

Motion: Terry Miller moved, Sue Harrington seconded motion to elect Jill Beim, Morris Manning and Pauline Tischman as directors for two-year terms. Motion approved.

Organizational Meeting: Because it was nearly dark and one director was not present, Morris said he would poll directors to set up a zoom meeting.

Adjournment: Terry Miller moved; Morris Manning seconded motion to adjourn the meeting. Motion approved. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Prepared by Morris Manning, Secretary, September 30, 2021 Reviewed by Board of Directors, October 20, 2021 Approved: