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GREAT LAKES UNITED

MEMORANDUM

TO: GLU Board of Directors

FR: Philip Weller

RE: Board Meeting in Windsor, Ontario
March 16-17, 1991

DT: March 01, 1991

Enclosed with this memo you will find a copy of the Minutes of the Board Meeting held in Erie, Pennsylvania on January 25-26, 1991. Please read the minutes and follow-up on any action items which involve you.

In addition to the Minutes of the last meeting you will find a flyer with directions to the Relax Plaza where our Board Meeting, which is scheduled for March 15, 16, and 17, 1991, will be held. The address, as well as the phone number of the hotel is as follows:

Relax Plaza Hotel
33 Riverside Drive East
Windsor, Ontario, Canada N9A 2S4 -
519-258-774 (P) 519-258-0020 (F)

If you have not already done so, please call Valerie at the office and confirm your hotel arrangements. We absolutely must know your room requirements ASAP in order to ensure room availability.

As usual, the Board Meeting will begin on Saturday morning and end at noon on Sunday. It is our intent to have a reception on Friday night in our new office. The full details of this have not been worked out yet, but please try to be there for Friday evening. We will notify you of the exact location as soon as details are firmed up.

If you should have any further questions or needs please contact myself, or Valerie at your earliest convenience.

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GREAT LAKES UNITED BOARD MEETING
ERIE, PENNSYLVANIA

January 26, 27, 28 1991

MINUTES

Board Members Present: Glenda Daniel, Rick Coronado, Henry Lickers, Camilla Smith, Jack Manno, Sarah Miller, John Jackson, Dwight Ulman, Fred Brown, Dorreen Carey, Daniel Green, Dick Kubiak, Pam Leisinger, Bill Munson, Paul Muldoon, Bill Neuhaus.

Staff Members Present: Karen Murphy, Bruce Kershner, Tony Luppino, Kristine Miller, and Philip Weller.

Gary Peters who is an individual member was also present.

A Press Conference was held, after which the meeting was called to order by the President, John Jackson.

DISCUSSION:

Pollution Prevention: Tony Luppino outlined GLU's program to promote and insure implementation of Pollution Prevention by Government and Industry as follows:

- 1) Promote successful examples by industry.
- 2) Assist citizens in understanding Zero Discharge.
- 3) Promote Zero Discharge in areas of concern.
- 4) Incorporate Zero Discharge & Pollution Prevention in state programs.
- 5) Establish national goals.
- 6) Focus on Lake Superior.
- 7) Promotion at IJC Biennial meeting.
- 8) Build labor/community coalitions.
- 9) Research & distribute information on community workshops featuring Pollution Prevention.
- 10) Basin-wide conference on Zero Discharge.
- 11) Insert in GLU Newsletter.

Karen Murphy reported that \$14,700 came to GLU from settlements of Atlantic States Legal Foundation cases involving violators of Title III. Karen then explained that the violations were based on failure to report emergency planning procedures, chemicals and locations, and community right to know information. Citizens can file suits against companies who fail to report.

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DISCUSSION:

Glenda Daniel requested coordination on Pollution Prevention projects being done by Lake Michigan Federation and Great Lakes United, particularly in the area of local workshops. **Paul Muldoon** suggested looking for Pollution Prevention success stories in the surface runoff/non-point source area since there is already quite a bit of information on point source success. He also reported on Canadian Government Pollution Prevention initiatives. Canadian and U.S. agencies are preparing agreement on joint strategy. Canada is involved in the "process of developing strategy", including the Center for Pollution Prevention". **Sara Miller** commented that the Canadian government is transferring their responsibilities for Pollution Prevention to non-governmental authorities. **Glenda Daniel** then suggested that in the United States, the emphasis for the Federal government should be to retrain State permit writers instead of the "fuzzy" plan proposed by Riley. She warned that Canadians are claiming "reduction without documentation", and that she feels we need accountability and access to independent evaluation. **Paul Muldoon** suggested using the MISA data base and he further recommended GLU put out a ten (10) page manual on how to use this data base. **Rick Coronado** mentioned the Pilot Program for Pollution Prevention in auto plants in Windsor, Ontario. This proposal is to be completed in April of 1991. Both **Paul Muldoon** and **Glenda Daniel** reiterated the need to be careful of Pollution Prevention rhetoric and the ease of claiming "reductions without proof".

ACTION:

Karen Murphy, Paul Muldoon, Sarah Miller, Rick Coronado, and Tony Luppino will meet to put together a proposal to Environment Canada on the nature of data that needs to be gathered on toxic uses and discharge. **Paul Muldoon** reported that the IJC Virtual Elimination Task Force will issue a joint report at the biennial meeting. He further urged GLU to become involved in two public forums on this to be held the 1st and 3rd weeks in April (announced in FOCUS magazine). **Fred Brown** reported on Great Lakes Initiative meetings held in Chicago and he requested that GLU fax issues to constituents in order to encourage letter writing to the U.S. EPA on decisions being made by GLU. These letters need to get to the U.S. EPA as soon as possible.

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Philip Weller will draft and send a letter to the EPA on the Great Lakes Initiative meetings held in Chicago, while Daniel Green suggested that GLU come up with a revision in policy on designated uses.

DISCUSSION:

Paul Muldoon reported that the CEILAP National Wildlife Foundation report on Zero Discharge will be released February 26, 1991 and that 5,000 copies will be printed. Karen Murphy reported on the positive development of RAP coalitions in Michigan and Wisconsin. The December workshop in Michigan was attended by 200 people. Michigan has agreed to a statewide advisory committee. Bruce Kershner reported that the IJC ignored all but one of three of GLU's suggestions regarding a plan for delisting criteria. Glenda Jackson stated that Chris Gundler, of the Great Lakes National Program office, wants to de-emphasize delisting criteria. Daniel Green warned that some RAPs will have a lower target range than others and there will be discrepancies in "what is considered clean?". John Jackson said that Lakewide Management Plans will establish basin-wide criteria and that RAPs are a part of LMPs. John also noted that there are no mechanisms in Canada for enforcement of RAPs similar to the newly adopted Great Lakes Critical Program Act adopted by the U.S.

ACTION:

Staff will write a letter to the IJC requesting a written response GLU recommendations. John Jackson, Philip Weller, Bruce Kershner, Dick Kubiak and Pam Leisinger will pursue direct contacts with State and Federal representatives on the ERIE AOC.

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DISCUSSION:

On labor/environment issues **Rick Coronado** reported that the next meeting will be held on February 16, 1991 in Northwest Indiana. **Dorreen Carey** added that the meeting is to be held at the USWA Local 1010 (Inland Steel) Union hall. **Rick** suggested we hold one of the meetings in Canada. The meeting will be held to go over the "draft mission statement" and the community's "right to know document" prepared for the labor/environment task force. **Dorreen** then suggested a letter from the UAW recommending membership in GLU by unions. This letter would be used to recruit local steel unions in Northwest Indiana. She also recommended that a mission statement document be circulated to the GLU Board after the February 16 work meeting.

ACTION:

Dorreen Carey will talk with **Pam Leisinger** about the possibility of writing a union recruiting letter.

DISCUSSION:

Jack Manno and **Camilla Smith** reported on an international environmental conference which will be held in Rio de Janeiro in two years and suggested that GLU look toward participation. **Henry Lickers** reported that there is work being done to develop ties between native populations in the U.S. and Canada and the native population in Lake Baikal, U.S.S.R. **Dick Kubiak** mentioned the possibility of visiting Poland at the behest of the Polish Ecological Union. **Jack Manno** recommended setting up an International Affairs Committee to develop specific proposals. Committee members would consist of **Camilla Smith, Rick Coronado, Henry Lickers, Bill Munson, Glenda Daniel, Dick Kubiak** and **Dorreen Carey**.

ACTION:

Jack Manno will coordinate the International Affairs Committee.

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DISCUSSION:

The IJC Biennial Meeting will be held September 30-October 2, 1991 in Traverse City. **Karen Murphy** reported that **GLU's** overall approach will be based on implementation of the 1989 IJC report. **GLU** has been involved in meetings with the IJC on setting an agenda. The Center for the Great Lakes presented a proposal in which government programs on pollution prevention would be presented. We are strongly opposed to this use of citizen program time. **GLU** will recommend that government presentation be on the weekend and that citizens be allowed time at the Monday meeting. There was discussion on whether monies were available from the IJC for citizen participation in the IJC meet. It was questioned whether the IJC should continue to be a focus of time and effort as it has no enforcement mechanisms built in.

ACTION:

A committee (IJC) consisting of **Paul Muldoon, Rick Coronado, Glenda Daniel, Dorreen Carey, Sarah Miller, Bill Munson, and Philip Weller** will discuss actions and issues. The Water Conservation Committee consisting of **Camilla Smith, Paul Muldoon and Sarah Miller** will work together a position paper on pertinent issues.

DISCUSSION:

Glenda Daniel distributed the latest ARCS newsletter and reported that the next meeting would be held in Chicago on February 6-7, 1991. She also reported that studies of total PCBs distorts what needs to be cleaned up. PCBs from air are not equivalents of other PCBs in their toxicity. **Jack Manno** reported that work by Rich Thomas indicates a dramatic increase of sediment concentration containing banned substances in Lake Ontario. Conjecture is that contaminated groundwater is flowing along fault lines at the bottom of Lake Ontario.

ACTION:

Jack Manno will get information to the staff and staff will mail this information to the Board.

Dick Kubiak will become a representative for **GLU** on fishery issues.

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DISCUSSION:

Regarding Indiana Dunes, **Dorreen Carey** requested that GLU support work being done in Northwest Indiana to expand the National Lakeshore along Lake Michigan and to further study Lake Michigan tributaries for protection and management purposes.

ACTION:

Request approved (see attached resolution).

THE GLU BOARD MEETING WAS ADJOURNED FOR LUNCH

COMMITTEE MEETINGS WERE HELD THROUGHOUT THE AFTERNOON

GLU BOARD MEETING
Erie, PA

8:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. GLU business meeting

DISCUSSION:

Philip Weller, Executive Director of the Buffalo, NY office of GLU introduced **Kristine Miller** (Fund Raising) and **Tony Luppino** (Pollution Prevention researcher) as part of his new staff. **Valerie Galante** (full-time Administrative Assistant) has replaced **Debbie Portera** and there is an opening for a 1/2 time Assistant Editor. Planning is underway for staff and office space in Windsor for the coming year.

The next Board Meeting will be March 16-17, 1991 in Windsor, Ontario. Also, the Annual Board Meeting will be held in May 4-5-6, 1991 in Ottawa, Canada. For information on speakers please see the attached Summary from Sarah Miller.

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DISCUSSION:

Discussion centered around how to involve people in Monday's activities. There were suggestions of getting somebody to host breakfast or lunch, a hearing before David McDonald, a visit to the American Embassy, a visit with the IJC staff, and finally asking for witnesses to testify at the hearing. **Glenda Daniels** suggested a mini-seminar on PCBs along with Task Force meetings at the annual meeting.

ACTION:

Staff will put out an **Action Update in mid-February, 1991** with an **Annual Meeting Agenda also in February**. There will be a **Newsletter released in March, 1991**. **John Jackson, Rick Coronado, Paul Muldoon, Henry Lickers, Daniel Green, and Jack Manno** will serve on the **Annual Meeting Planning Committee** with Sarah Miller.

DISCUSSION:

Dwight Ulman reported that the Annual Meeting for 1992 could more easily be held in Saginaw, Michigan than Makinaw Island because of access difficulties and costs of accommodations. **Dwight** has looked into using Saginaw Valley State University, although it is not available until the 2nd weekend in May. The Sheraton Motel is also available.

ACTION:

There was a consensus by the Board for the Saginaw location for the 1st weekend in May, 1991.

Minutes from the Thunder Bay Board meeting, held on October 13, 1990 were approved.

Dwight Ulman (Financial Committee) reported on the revised U.S. Budget for 1991 (see attached) with the U.S. Budget for 1991 being approved.

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DISCUSSION:

There was a report on fundraising projects, supported by Beldon presented. **Kristine Miller** reported on two fundraising concerts to be held in Montreal and Buffalo in cooperation with Strategies St. Laurent and Fleuve et Musique. **Daniel Green** expressed concern that environmental issues did simply not get used as a marketing tool. **Philip Weller** is one of three environmentalists on the Council to oversee the project.

ACTION:

The Fundraising Committee asked each Board member to send in five suggestions for new membership to **Kristine Miller** and she will follow up on them.

DISCUSSION:

Daniel Green reported on the Charitable Status in Canada by stating that a new definition of "political activity" is being developed. He suggested that we participate in a Hearing to be held in February or March of 1991.

ACTION:

Rick Coronado will look into the Hearings. **GLU** will write a letter on the status problem to **CEN**. The Board voted to proceed with plans to set up a new corporation in Canada.

DISCUSSION:

Dwight Ulman reported on the Endowment Fund by stating that precious metals donations were worth approximately \$45,000-50,000 U.S. funds.

ACTION:

Dwight Ulman moved that cash resulting from the sale of precious metals donations be put in a reserve fund with accrued interest to be available annually for the general fund revenue and the principle available only for emergency use with Board approval. The motion was passed.

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DISCUSSION:

There was discussion regarding an increase of the Executive Director's salary.

ACTION:

Increase in Executive Director's salary was passed.

DISCUSSION:

Paul Muldoon and Camilla Smith of the By-Laws Committee gave their report.

ACTION:

The Nominating Committee was directed to solicit candidates from unrepresented or under represented areas for GLU Board elections and to make this a permanent agenda item at retreat. The Committee also recommended that one place on the Board be reserved for a member of the Native Indian community. Discussion followed on the issue of reserving a place for Native Indian representation. A motion was made by Glenda Daniel and passed by the Board, said motion was subsequently withdrawn without objection. Jack Manno moved that one Director-at-Large slot be reserved for a Native representative on the Board and that the By-Laws be adjusted with the recommendation to the Annual Meeting that it be done in such a way the total number of Board members is not increased. The motion was seconded but failed to pass with four (4) in favor and eleven (11) opposed.

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ACTION:

Paul Muldoon moved the By-Laws be amended affecting the composition and number of the Board of Directors of GLU to the effect that there be at least one position reserved for a Native representative among the Directors-at-Large and that the number of Directors-at-Large be increased from ten (10) to eleven (11). The motion was seconded by Rick Coronado and was passed with nine (9) in favor and four (4) opposed. Fred Brown requested his opposition to the motion be formally recorded.

DISCUSSION:

Philip Weller announced the completion of GLU publications on White Lake, Rochester, Detroit, and Biomonitoring.

International - The Board moved and passed recommendations for GLU to join the Brazil Conference network at a cost of \$50.00.

The GLU Board of Directors meeting was concluded and adjourned at 12:30 p.m., Sunday, 1/28/91.

Respectfully submitted,

Dorreen Carey
Secretary

U.S. BUDGET FOR 1991

REVENUE:

Joyce Foundation	65,000
C. S. Mott Foundation	40,000
George Gund	30,000
* Alton Jones/Public Welfare	40,000
Great Lakes Protection Fund	73,900
Fundraising Events	4,000
Donations Direct Mail	11,500
Organizational Members	15,000
Individual Members	18,000
Annual Meeting Registration	5,000
CIELAP Contract	15,000
Interest/Investment	5,000
Overhead Transfer from Canadian Account	5,000

Total Revenue	326,600
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EXPENSES:

<u>Salaries</u>	174,000
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- Executive Director
- 2 Field Coordinators
- Technical Analyst
- Funding/Development
- Administrative Coordinator
- Administrative Assistant
- Pollution Prevention Researcher
- Production Assistant

<u>Benefits</u> (20%)	34,800
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Total Salaries & Benefits	208,800
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* Amount listed is the 1991 portion of these grants.