

## Raponda Foundation Fall, 2022 Happenings

1. We've changed our name! "Lake Raponda Environmental Foundation" is now "Raponda Foundation". This new name widens the reach of our financial support beyond environmental preservation and protection of the lake to also include community and watershed activities and programs. We invite any and all to submit artistic ideas for a logo that reflects a commitment to both the lake's environment and its community.
2. We're changing our Board Structure as well: As of July, 2023, we will be advised by (a) three duly elected Lake Raponda Association (LRA) Board members who are also active donors to the Raponda Foundation along with (b) four "at large" members (NOT on LRA Board or necessarily members) who are active donors to the Raponda Foundation. The new structure is meant to ensure that funding is considered for a wide variety of ideas brought by a diverse Board.
3. More targeted giving will be available via several donor pathway options.
4. A newly formed Raponda Foundation Endowment Fund will accommodate perpetual financial support for Raponda via estate planning.
5. Anticipated Grant Options:
  1. Greeter Program
  2. VT Center for Eco Studies Loon Nesting and Environmental Education consulting.
  3. Southern VT Natural History Museum initiative to provide a fishing clinic at Lake Raponda next Spring
  4. Water quality (particularly e-coli) assessment of Lake Raponda by a private consultant to gain additional insight of this perennial threat.
  5. LRA sponsored Sailfish/Sunfish clinic for beginner sailors.

