



BEVERLY SAIL & POWER SQUADRON

MINUTES OF E-Board MEETING

01 October 2008



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BRIDGE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commander Alex C. Arcisz, JN	Executive Officer Lt/C Ray Tilton, P
Administrative Officer Lt/C Carol Quinn-LeBrun	Treasurer Lt/C John Hagar, AP
Squadron Education Officer Lt/C Ed Walsh, SN	Assistant Squadron Education Officer Walter Riley, III, JN
Secretary Lt/C Karen Arcisz, JN	Executive and Audit Committee Member, 1/Lt Dick Salter, SN
Operations Training Chair P/R/C Dick Winskowicz, SN	Coop Chart/VSC Chair P/D/C James Curran, AP
Nominating Committee Chair P/C Bob Mazzarino, SN	Membership Chair Miriam Shafner, P
Executive Committee Member P/C Dex Wheeler, SN	Member at Large Elliott E. Hewitt, Jr, AP

Meeting in Sandy Point Room of Jubilee Yacht Club called to order by Commander Arcisz at 1900.

No Roll Call; attendance recorded by Secretary Karen Arcisz; 14 members; quorum achieved.

Moment of Silence to honor our men and women in uniform, to support our leaders and the upcoming election

Reading of the Minutes were waived, as they have been posted on the website. No changes noted; motion to except as posted and second; passed with a voice vote.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

Treasurer Lt/C John Hagar, AP: \$2051.77 in checking; Fidelity is down, as is the entire stock market at this time; the nation is waiting for word on the 'bailout bill'.

The Picnic cost came to \$237.20. We took in \$1085, paid out \$1358.20. This was a very good event, with almost 100 people from Beverly, Marblehead and Gloucester Squadrons attending .

Executive Officer Lt/C Ray Tilton, P: the BOC (Boat Operator's Certificate) program is coming along. The first part, 'Inland Kit' is available for \$30 and includes the Passport for putting stickers onto as courses are completed.

An incident was related that Dave and Kel Johnson in a 44' sailboat had a problem bringing the boat into Croatia (or maybe Greece) and they needed proof of certification as being qualified to operate their boat. They showed proof of being members and completing courses for USPS and were allowed into port.

Education Officer Ed Walsh, SN: Navigation course is starting October 7 at 1900. There may be a problem with course materials, as we are using the Beta Course material, which is now sold out - not sure when full course will be available. Discussion as to how/where we may find another student set. We should be able to manage.

Eight AP course packs were ordered and sent to Dick Winskowicz. The student count is at 8 now.

Public Boating starts October 21st at Beverly Recreation Department. Dick Salter and Jim Curran are instructing; it needs some more advertising.

Some discussion as to the need for more PR; comment that Salem News runs the Coast Guard Auxiliary class listings (which are currently at \$75) pretty regularly; again, **we need a personal contact at local papers and other media outlets.**

Administrative Officer Lt/C Carol Quinn-LeBrun, S:

Carol has a boat surveyor, Norm LeBlanc, lined up for the November meeting. The idea of a supertanker captain or harbor pilot was introduced with positive reaction.

Carol has found that lately speakers want to be paid; the Maritime Historic Site/ Park Service is going to require payment.. Discussion followed. It was suggested that if a person is 'selling a product or service' they are not paid,

but if it is purely educational, they should be paid. It was also suggested we authorize up to \$100 for Carol to negotiate with, but only if the speaker first requests payment. If more than \$100 is required, she could send an email to the board for a vote of authorization. John Hagar felt that we should offer a flat fee of \$75 to all speakers. The vote to allow Carol to negotiate a payment request up to \$100 with an email vote for more if needed, was passed by a show of hands 13-1, with John Hagar dissenting (he requested this specifically be noted in the minutes).

Another comment was that we need the speakers to stick to a 45 minute format. Carol noted that they have been advised of this.

Vessel Safety Chair, Jim Curran, SN: This was the best year he can remember, with 78 VSCs done. Walter Riley will take over as VSC Chair, requesting John Hagar and Dick Salter to continue with setting up venues on Cape Ann and he will **welcome any other volunteer contacts or new VE candidates.**

Secretary Lt/C Karen Arcisz, AP: No report

OLD BUSINESS/ GENERAL DISCUSSIONS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Gloucester Squadron is voting at the end of the month on their status question.

The question of a D18/D12 merge will come up sometime in the near future. Sentiment was generally negative. "We voted that down 10 years ago." and "We would have to travel too far for meetings."

The **Fall Fling - 4 District Conference** will be November 14-16 at Ashworth by the Sea. We still need a paddler for the kayak demonstration in the pool. Commander will contact Doug Schluter of Marblehead Squadron.

Went over the list of officers to submit to Nominating Committee

There are five 25 year pins to award at the next meeting

Dick Winskowicz was given authorization to order 35 black baseball caps with the USPS insignia and Squadron Burgee for sale to members.

An antique Relative Bearing Compass in a wooden box was brought in, which will be donated to the Essex Shipbuilding Museum. After Karen Arcisz purchases a plaque stating that it is from Beverly Sail & Power Squadron, Dick Salter will apply the plaque and take it over. He has possession of the instrument at this time.

Merit Marks were discussed and will be submitted by the Commander after formatting online.

Next General Meeting is November 6, 2008 at 1830 at JYC;

Next E-Board is Thursday, December 6 at 1900 in Sandy Point Room at JYC

HB deadline is October 15; send any article, ad, info to Karen.

Meeting adjourned at 2037.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lt/C Karen Arcisz, JN

Secretary, Beverly Sail & Power Squadron

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