

Beverly-Marblehead Sail & Power Squadron

E-Board Meeting – Jubilee Yacht Club

November 4, 2015

Attended: Jim Curran, Walter Riley, Bill Bonner, Bill Ghen, Dale Smith, Ray Tilton, Ron Mason, Dan Shea

Commander Reed was unable to attend due to wife's illness. The members of the E-Board offered their thoughts and prayers for Jack and Patricia and their family.

Walter Riley took over as acting commander for the meeting.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM with a moment of silence for the troops.

Ray read minutes of Sept 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 E-Board meeting, which were accepted.

Walter reported very good feedback from Mike Crawford's presentation at the October general meeting.

Treasurer's report – Dale reported total receipts since March 11, 2015 = \$9147, total expenses for same period = \$7223. Summer picnic receipts = \$61, expenses = \$186. Balances in National Grand Bank = \$27, 263, Fidelity = \$27, 918, total = \$55,180.

Dale suggested moving some money, now in low interest accounts, to investment account. Will bring up at next general meeting.

SEO report – Walter said the Piloting course that started at JYC Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> has 16 students. Three students were cyber members or had taken the Seamanship course and have joined BMSPS to take advantage of \$50 discount for members. Ken Littlefield and Robere Sant Fournier have taken over as instructors for Jack Reed temporarily.

National revised the ABC course, now called ABC 2015. It will have a new manual and CD but they are not ready, so Walter has decided to postpone our ABC courses until March.

SAO report (Walter filled in) – Last weekend, Districts 12 and 19 held their fall conference in NH. Dist. 19 having problems; lost their webmaster and some squadrons struggling with low membership. Walter Riley, John Bedrossian and Steve Jerome represented BMSPS.

Marblehead SPS was awarded the 75 year certificate.

Speaker needed for the next general meeting, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>. Ray suggested Bob Duncan, to talk about his bareboat chartering in the Virgin Islands. Walter will contact him.

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The New England Boat Show will be held in Boston Feb. 16-23. District 12 will have a booth with the virtual trainer. Volunteers can sign up soon.

Change of watch coming up in March, 2016. Nominating committee members Bill Ghen and Ron Mason said that they are looking for members to run for commander, admin. officer and secretary. Several people were recommended as possible candidates.

Merit marks – Walter went through the roster and the E-Board made recommendations to award a MM to members that contributed time and effort to the squadron during the past year.

Vessel Safety Checks – Walter reported that 91 VSC's were done this year, which means we will get at least 100 decals for the 2016 season.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Ray Tilton, Secretary BMSPS