

## Minutes

### General Members Meeting

Beverly – Marblehead Sail and Power Squadron

November 3, 2016

The business meeting of the membership was called to order by Cdr Graham at 2020. A sufficient number of members was present to achieve a quorum.

After the Pledge of Allegiance, the Cdr Graham asked for a moment of silence for our troops in Harm's Way.

The draft minutes of the September 6, 2016 general member meeting were approved as written.

**Commander's Report:** Commander Graham thanked Lt/C Tilton for his preparation of the supper tonight. He gave the dates of the general member meetings for the remainder of the season (January 4, March 1, and May 3, 2017) and of the planned "kick-off" dinner at Corinthian Yacht Club (May 19, 2017).

**SXO Report.** Lt/C Pszenny reported that there had been no new news regarding USPS national's revamping of the Cooperative Charting program.

**SEO Report.** Lt/C Riley stated that 87 vessel safety checks had been completed this year. He noted that logistical difficulties precluded offering an ABC course in Marblehead this fall. He hopes that 5 or 6 offerings will be possible next spring, similar to last year; watch the website for announcements and details. He noted that a special, intensive, one-day ABC course for prospective yacht club launch drivers will be held at JYC on Saturday, November 26, from 0800 to approximately 1700. Finally, he mentioned that several Squadron instructors are planning to attend the D12/D14 Fall Conference in New Bedford this weekend where new course materials and related information will be introduced.

**Treasurer's Report:** Lt/C Smith announced that our cash on hand totaled approximately \$2,500 and our investment portfolio is currently worth approximately \$52,000.

Cdr Graham thanked all members for contributing to the Squadron's continuing success. He then opened the floor to new business.

P/D/C Alex Arcisz, who is now Rear Commodore of JYC, noted that JYC is preparing a Launch Drivers' Training Class for the weekend of November 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>. Anyone interested should contact Lt/C Tilton (pangea36@gmail.com) for further details.

He also requested Squadron members' assistance in canvassing other local yacht clubs regarding the wages they pay their launch drivers. Lt/C Tilton offered to compile responses for forwarding to Mr. Arcisz.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2048.

Lt/C Alex Pszenny, N

Executive Officer

(Filling in for Lt/C Reed who was unable to attend)