**Grand Masters Dragon Boat Club**

**Board Meeting, December 9th. 2019**

Meeting called to order at 1:00pm.

Attendance:

Cheryl Moran President

Kathy Summers-Sitarski Vice-President

RaeAnn Bethel Treasurer

Elly Olesen Secretary

Steve Printz Silver Dragons

Beth Bowen Village Dragons

Per Olesen Dirty Dozen

Alicia Thomas This Boat Rocks

Rich. Schaum Warriors

Sandra Skopaz Dragon Sisters

Dottie Baker Sparta/Warriors

Terry Elsmore Paddling Patriots

Cheryl Moran opened the meeting thanking the board for their hard work and dedication to help move this club forward.

**Secretary Minutes:**

Minutes had no changes.

Elly Olesen asked for a motion to approve minutes as written.

Motion made by Per Olesen, and 2nd. By Greg Walker, minutes approved.

**Treasurer report:**

RaeAnn Bethel reported on the financial statement.

Statement attached.

Motion to approve the report as presented made by Steve Printz, and 2nd. By Per Olesen.

Report approved.

RaeAnn suggested the upcoming budget meeting be held right after the January 13th. Board meeting.

To be discussed: 1: redistribution of club funds to teams. 2: if club should go to a minimum of 8K. instead of a 10K balance in the club account.

**President Report:**

Cheryl Moran wrapped up the last 6-month club accomplishments.

Applauded the board for being very active.

1.The installation of the AED at Lake Miona.

2.Phurshase of an AED for Lake Sumter.

3.The club to follow Rohan’s request for everyone wearing their PFD’s in the boat.

4.Suspension/Termination: Based on information from The Villages, club members can not be terminated from a team or the club. Suspension or probation can be considered by the board if warranted.

5. When writing emails or other white papers, that needs a signature by a board member always sign with who you are in the club.

6. Clarification for who is in charge, when an emergency arises.

On the water, the Steers person is in charge.

On land, the Captain is in charge.

7. Follow-up with Joe @ High Five.

1: Wait and see.

2: Each team should decide, where they would like to race.

8. **Boat Parade**: This was a great success and a wonderful way to start the Holiday Season. Cheryl Moran thanked Kathy Summers-Sitarski and Alicia Thomas for their effort.

**Task Force Report.**

Bylaws Reviews still in the works. Any suggestions should be sent to John Townly.

**Safety Form:**

Kathy Summers-Sitarski announced that the safety form is due by the end of December 2019. Cheryl Moran will clarify with the Villages, if it is possible to do twice a year instead of the present Quarterly.

**Boat Maintenance and /or Lake Matter:**

1. The club needs a sub for our boat manager Fred Frederiksen.
2. Boats need to be flipped over and waxed. Mark Cammarano and Bryce Courtney will do it this time.
3. Update from Chris Cash, The Villages.

The design committee of The Villages is working on designing a building for the boat equipment at Lake Sumter.

They are also working on a safer way to launching the boats. Possible putting down some Marine mats. This should also prevent erosion.

No date has been set at this point.

**Old Business:**

Cheryl Moran and Per Olesen have been working on a proposal for the April 2020 race on Lake Sumter.

A copy was passed out to the board members.

2021- Invitational also under way.

**Brochures and Stickers:**

Kathy Summers-Sitarski reported on the cost for printing the brochures and stickers.

250 copies- under $150.00

250 5- inch circle stickers $271.00

Motion to go forward was made by Steve Prints and 2nd. By Per Olesen, Approved.

A discussion of going to cling stickers also was introduced. To be decided later.

**AED Order and Status:**

The AED for Lake Sumter has been bought and payed for.

The training will be set up by Mary DeFranco and Julie Coleman.

**GMDBC Structure:**

2020 club member registration:

All forms are on the website, and to be filled in electronically.

All forms are to be in by January 14th. 2020.

All Insurance forms to be in by February 1st. 2020

The Captains are to turn in only 1 check per team.

The forms for the Villages is the same as last year (manually). They can be picked up at any Rec. Center and be handed in to the Captain.

**Club Coordinators:**

A race coordinator for GMDBC is still needed.

A team Boat Maintenance Coordinator needed. Mark Cammarano. and Bryce Courtney will help.

**New Business:**

2020 clinics- Task Force--- delayed to next meeting.

A request was made to the Sumter County commissioners to extend the dock at Lake Miona.

Waiting for respond.

Steve Printz reported there was no progress on the Lake Deaton issue.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:21pm.

Respectfully submitted

**Elly Olesen**

Secretary of GMDBC.