**Grand Masters Dragon Boat Club Board Meeting**

**January 13th. 2020**

**Attendance:**

Cheryl Moran-President

Kathy Summers-Sitarski-Vice President

RaeAnn Bethel-Treasurer

Elly Olesen- Secretary

Richard Schaum- Warriors

John McPhee-Blackheart

Per Olesen- Dirty Dozen

Karen Ness- Silver Dragons

Julie Coleman- Paddling Patriots

Sandra Skopaz- Dragon Sisters

Dottie Baker-Sparta/Warriors.

Meeting called to order at 1:04 pm.

**Opening:**

Cheryl Moran thanked the board for being strong and decisive. A special thank you to Kathy Summers-Sitarski for keeping the club running smoothly, while Cheryl Moran was on holiday.

**Secretary report:**

No changes to the minutes.

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

Motion by Dottie Baker, 2nd. By Per Olesen. Minutes approved.

**Treasurer report:**

RaeAnn Bethel requested the report be forwarded to the Budget Meeting taking place directly after this board meeting.

**President report:**

Cheryl Moran distributed to each board member a proposal from GWN to hold a paddle training camp here in the Villages.

The camp would consist of 1 week of top notch technical and supportive environment.

Minimum 40 paddlers required, maximum 200.GWN would also provide a steering clinic.

Paddle camp would cost $ 250.00 pp. Steering clinic would be $100.00 pp

Motion to go forward with further research for such an event was made by Per Olesen, 2nd. By Dottie Baker. Motion approved to go forward.

**Vice President report:**

Kathy Summers-Sitarski reported:

(Boat Maintenance/Lake Matters)

All boats have been waxed. 64 members showed up to help at Lake Sumter.

A good time was had by everyone working hard.

Dottie Baker informed that a crack was found on the Orange Boat at Lake Miona, and is in need

Of repair.

the Orange Boat will be out of service until further notice.

**Old Business:**

1. 2020 proposal for a Spring Intramural race event on Lake Sumter has been forwarded to the Rec. Dept. The club is awaiting approval and the date.
2. 2021 Invitational proposal has been delayed until Fall.
3. New Insurance waivers now available and must be signed. Due date is February 1st.-2020
4. Sandra Skopaz will have the waivers ready on the website for signing electronical.

The list will then be forwarded to the Secretary then and be forwarded to the Insurance Company.

1. New brochures are presently being printed and ready for the Outdoor Expo.
2. AED has been paid for and the club is awaiting delivery.
3. Mary DeFranco and Julie Coleman are ready to set up training schedule for using the AED.
4. Kathy Summers-Sitarski informed the board that the Lake Safety Protocol instructions white paper will be done 1-time a year. The signature forms are no longer needed by the REC.-DEPT. or the Insurance company.
5. GMDBC structure, 1. A Race coordinator for the club is needed. 2. A team boat maintenance coordinator is still needed.

**New Business:**

At this time a volunteer task Force is being formed for the 2020paddle camp.

Technical or content – Greg Walker

Logistics – Stuart Willner

Registration and financial – Lynn Feeks.

Hospitality - Boat Usage - Others- Open.

**Fictitious Name Registration:**

Sun-Biz. This is a mandatory registration of team names through GMDBC.

Several teams have an expired account. The captains must register by using the GMDBC’s Tax number. This number can be obtained from our Treasurer RaeAnn Bethel.

The Treasurer is to keep up with the teams regarding reminders, reviews and procedures.

**Inclement weather:**

Captains to keep team members updated on inclement weather issues regarding practice or no practice.

**Task Force Report:**

First draft of bylaw changes is ready for the boards review and discussions. This is forwarded to the February board meeting.

**Special Reports:**

Kathy Summers-Sitarski told the board that the Authorities issued a citation on Lake Miona to a person not wearing a PFD. The fine was $60.00.

Bob Kane requested to have a Dragon Boat present at an event at the Sumter County Collage.

Lee Ceravac and Bob Kane would drive the boat in storage over and after bringing the boat to Miona, to replace the damaged boat.

The Villages Outdoor EXPO to be February 22nd. And 23rd. Friday the 21st. setup from 3-9pm.

Kathy needs volunteers for this event.

Saturday show time is 9-3pm. And Sunday show time is 10-3pm.

Cheryl Moran reported the Marine mats for boat launch are under review at this point.

The work on building for storage is for the moment on hold as it is being reviewed at the

Villages Planning office.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:05pm.

Respectfully submitted

**Elly Olesen**

Secretary of GMDBC.

Immediately following GMDBC board meeting **the Budget meeting** was called to order at 2:06pm.

**Treasurer Report:**

RaeAnn Bethel presented the financial statement.

Report attached.

Motion to approve report as presented was made by Per Olesen, 2nd. By Richard Schaum

Report approved.

**Budget report:**

After a detailed discussion of the financial condition of GMDBC, it was found very sound.

A motion was made to distribute each qualifying team with their fare share checks by Per Olesen, 2nd. By Richard Schaum. Approved.

Report attached.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted

**Elly Olesen**

Secretary of GMDBC.