Grand Masters Dragon Boat Club Board Meeting March 8th. -2021

Attendance:

Cheryl Moran --- President

Elly Olesen -----Secretary

Chuck Coogan ---Boat Manager -Blackheart

Linda Braun -----Web Master- This Boat Rocks

Terry Elsmore---Paddling Patriots

Julie Coleman---Paddling Patriots

Per Olesen-----Dirty Dozen

Ron Perish----Warriors-Sparta

Tom Upton----Warriors- Sparta

Mary Wilson---Warriors

Mary Lou Bremer----Blackheart

Beth Bowen----Village Dragons

John Townley---Silver Dragons

Meeting called to order at 1:00pm.

Opening:

Cheryl Moran welcomed everyone and introduced the new Co-Captains for Warriors and Sparta.

Rich Perich and Tom Upton.

A reminder to all Captains, that our club is for Village residents only. Paddlers not living in the Villages can not be part of a team, or be an officer, captain, co-captain and coach. This is stated in the club rules.

Secretary Report:

Minutes were sent out prior to the board meeting. A motion to approve as written was made by Mary Lou Bremer, and 2nd. By Terry Elsmore. Minutes were approved.

Treasurer Report:

Cheryl Moran and Elly Olesen reported for RaeAnn Bethel.

A copy of the financial statement and a copy of the forms for team captains to fill out for the IRS tax purpose that is due July 31st. -2021 were passed out.

Financial report attached.

Rod Tompkins audited the books on January 15th-2021, and signed a paper saying that the books were accurate and up to date.

It was announced that Maureen Byers of Blackheart have agreed to take over as the Club's Tax filer and audit person for GMDBC.

The Clubs Financial condition is sound and healthy. Cheryl Moran went through the numbers in detail as reported by RaeAnn Bethel.

The total club membership as of March 1st.-2021 is 241.

A motion was made by Per Olesen to accept the report as presented and 2nd. By Terry Elsmore, report approved.

President Report:

Cheryl Moran informed the board that the next board meeting will be held at the Pavilion by the Radio Station at Lake Sumter April 12th.2021 at 1:00 pm.

Officer nominations for President and for Secretary are due this year. Opening for nominations start the 1st. of April. All nominations must be sent to the Secretary Elly Olesen. The voting will be the first 2 weeks of May.

The new term 2021 -2023 takes effect July 1st.2021.

Vice President Report:

Cheryl Moran gave the report for Mary DeFranco.

The Safety- and the COVID-19 protocol has been revised, and will be presented at the April General meeting, as it was decided to make the April meeting the safety and COVID-19 clarification. This is required by the club's insurance company.

A thank you to all that has worked on this task force.

Boat Maintenance and /or Lake Matter:

Boat Covers:

Chuck Coogan reported it is getting quite complicated to repair the covers. They constantly need repair.

Therefor quotes have been requested for new covers.

Boat conditions:

The club has 3- 20 person boats at Lake Miona and 3-20 person boats on Lake Sumter. They are all getting signs of wear and tear due to the age. 1 ten-person boat is in storage.

The Orange boat needs repair, as the bottom front seems to separate. However; Chuck Coogan is able to repair it. Also some loose seats needs repair on other boats.

Chuck Coogan suggested that the club look should into buying a new boat.

New Business:

Cheryl Moran brought up the idea of having an Intra-club race on Lake Sumter. However, currently there were no interest in supporting that.

Elly Olesen announced that an expansion to the Dirty Dozen has been formed as a Social paddle on the last Friday of every month from 5-6 pm. On Lake Sumter. Using all 3 boats.

Old Business:

The Annual Registrations and dues have been completed.

Long term Planning Committee:

Per Olesen, Chair of the committee informed that a survey was held regarding the purchase of a new boat. A recommendation was made that the 10-person boat be sold to offset the expense of a new boat. However, due to the report of the stable financial report from RaeAnn Bethel the committee recommended that they work with Chuck Coogan on a plan to place the oldest boats out of service in the future.

A motion was made that Chuck Coogan and Terry Elsmore start looking into maybe buying a slightly used boat. Motion made by Terry Elsmore and 2^{nd} . By Per Olesen. Approved.

The Long-term planning committee will keep working on what might happen when the new venue further south comes into play.

Website:

All forms and practice schedules are now on Team Snap.

The club is awaiting the info regarding on the build out at Lake Sumter.

Tabled Items:

Senior C event postponed to 2022. **Village Regatta** postponed to late 2021. AED **Training Course** postponed to late 2021. **Coordinators- RACE**- still needed.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:10pm.

Respectfully submitted.

Elly Olesen

Secretary of GMDBC