

**Grand Masters Dragon Boat Club**  
**Board Meeting August 9<sup>th</sup>. 2021**

**Attendance:**

Cheryl Moran – President

Mary DeFranco – Vice President

RaeAnn Bethel – Treasurer

Elly Olesen – Secretary

Mary Lou Bremer – Black Heart

Per Olesen – Dirty Dozen

John Townley – Silver Dragons

Linda Braun – This Boat Rocks

Tom Upton – Warriors / Sparta

Mary Wilson – Warriors

Beth Bowen – Village Dragons.

**Opening:**

Cheryl Moran called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm.

**Secretary Report:**

Cheryl Moran called for approval of the minutes, that were sent out prior to the meeting.

The board approved the minutes, as there were no corrections.

**Treasurer Report:**

RaeAnn Bethel presented the financial statement covering 6/30 -7/31-2021.

A complete summery from August 2020, through July 2021. Were passed out to all board members.

The report showed that \$5,000.00 was spent more than the club took in, due to the purchase of the 2 new boats.

The GMDBC's finances are still strong and positive.

The yearly Tax report from teams to be sent to Pat Culp.

A motion to approve the Treasurer Report was made by John Townley and 2<sup>nd</sup>. By Per Olesen. Report approved. All reports attached.

Present membership is now at 324.

RaeAnn Bethel will retire when her term is up in July 2022 and suggested the Club start looking for someone to take over her position as Treasurer.

**President Report:**

Cheryl Moran expressed hope that the \$130.00 per month storage fee would end, when the new facility will open south of Route 44.

**Lake Hours:** Board was informed that Mary DeFranco is the scheduler of all lake hours. Anyone wishing to change must report to Mary DeFranco. (Mary Lou Bremer announced that Blackheart now practice on Saturday morning from 8-9am. At Lake Sumter.

Elly Olesen requested a one time change for the Social Paddle at Lake Sumter 5-6pm. From 8/27 to 8/20

**SRDBA / USDBF:** Cheryl Moran confirmed the fee per person for SRDBA is \$15.00 and for USDBF per person the fee is \$55.00. These memberships are mandatory if you wish to race National and International. A request for volunteers for a Para paddler program was made. No interest currently. However, John Townley asked for more information, but none were available.

Pan Am, has now partnered with the Buck Boat company.

Emails received from Cheryl Moran requesting help of time and gift cards are SPAM. DELETE, DELETE.

**Vice President Report:**

Mary DeFranco gave an update on the COVID-19 issues. Report details is attached.

AED Training will start in September.

**Boat Maintenance / Lake Matter:**

Chuck Coogan and Peggy Gugliano were out of town, there for no report on boats or covers status. Mary Lou Bremer will take care of the gift card to Peggy Gugliano. Tom Upton will take care of new bungy cords needed for the boat covers. Terry Elsmore will take care of getting a container for the lock at Lake Sumter.

**Old Business:**

Long Term Planning: no report currently.

Camp Villages: The club received the invoice for the Medals purchased for all participants of the event.

Face Book: Linda Braun has completed the Facebook Club Page. And is willing to help anyone that needs help to navigate that page. Linda Braun also informed the board that no other Media Channels will be used to promote the sport.

**New Business:**

A volunteer was requested to complete the club brochure. Linda Braun will undertake this task. The brochure must be completed by the October General Meeting.

A request to form a BCS- team was made. But currently there were no interest.

A request of a procedure to follow when forming a new team was made. John Townley offered to Task Force this subject.

GMDBC's next meeting will be in October (A safety update and guest speaker possible.)

A note of Thank You to Rod Tompkins for his many years of service as the club's CPA and TAX Auditor was passed around for signatures by Tom Upton.

**Tabled items:**

Senior C Invitational Event Proposal – Postponed to 2023.

Villages Regatta – Postponed to early 2022.

Race Coordinator needed.

AED Training.

**Meeting Adjourned at 1:57pm.**

**Respectfully Submitted**

**Elly Olesen**

**Secretary, GMDBC**