

Grand Masters Dragon Boat Club
Board Meeting October 11th.- 2021

Attendance:

Cheryl Moran- President	Mary DeFranco-Vice President
RaeAnn Bethel- Treasurer	Elly Olesen- Secretary
Mary Wilson- Warriors	Rita Girou- This Boat Rocks
John Townley- Silver Dragons	Terry Elsmore- Paddling Patriots
Per Olesen- Dirty Dozen	Patsy Hedrick- Villages Dragons
Ron Perich- Sparta 70	Mary Lou Bremer- Blackheart
Tom Upton- Sparta 70/Warriors	

Opening:

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

Secretary Report:

Cheryl Moran asked for the approval of the corrected minutes by show of hands.

Motion to approve made by Per Olesen and 2nd. by Terry Elsmore. Minutes approved.

Treasurer Report:

RaeAnn Bethel presented the financial statement and explained the strong economical state the club is in. Team Snap membership and all Insurances has been paid.

A motion to approve the Treasurer Report was made by John Townley, and 2nd by Per Olesen. Report approved. A copy of the Report is attached.

The Club's membership is now at 362.

President Report:

Cheryl Moran informed the board, that it is time to start searching the membership for candidates to fill the upcoming election of Vice President and Treasurer in May-2022.

Cheryl Moran gave a heartfelt thankyou to board members serving multiple terms and provided much support. Especially to RaeAnn Bethel, Mary DeFranco, Linda Braun and Elly Olesen.

Forming a nomination Task Force was discussed but deferred.

Mary DeFranco reported the AED training classes are all set and scheduled for October 21st. from 1-3:30pm. and November 18th. from 11-2:30pm. All classes are scheduled at the Colony Rec.Center.

The classes are organized by the Villages CERT. It is necessary to make reservation through a link given by Mary DeFranco via her forthcoming email. A small donation will be appreciated.

Each class has room for 40 people.

Boat Maintenance and/or Lake Matter:

The Boat Covers are now in so bad shape they can no longer be repaired to serve their purpose in protecting our boats.

John Townley, the Task Force chair has done research on covers and come up with a suitable plan, product and price.

The board agreed to buy 1 cover at the price of \$750.00. try it out, evaluate the fit before buying the additional 8 covers. A total of \$5000.00 has been approved for this purpose in the September board meeting.

An incident was reported regarding the space allocated for boats and Kayaks at Lake Sumter. Chuck Coogan was called over to move the boats, so the Kayak group could get their equipment out.

It is important that everyone pay attention to the maintenance of the boats and are willing to help out with repairs and cleaning. As a spigot and water hose is available this should make the job easier.

Cheryl Moran reported she is receiving many calls for improper care and placements of boats. This is very time consuming, and Cheryl was asking for someone to volunteer as a boat Manager. Mary Lou Bremer, stepped up to the task.

Mary Lou will now act as Boat Manager. Any future boat related calls must be to Mary Lou.

She will then relay the information to either Cheryl or Chuck for action needed.

Patsy Hedrick volunteered to help out with boat matters.

Tom Upton requested the 10-man boat be brought back to Lake Miona as many races are 10-man boat races. It would be great to have it for practice.

A discussion was held.

The club only has permission to store 3 boats there. If the 10-man boat will be permanent one of the 20-man boats must go back in the storage.

The captains must agree on the way they want to organize the use of the 10-man boat.

An idea was made that the 10-man boat could be brought over for a 1-day switch. This was supported by Terry Elsmore.

Motion for this switch was made by John Townley. And 2nd. by Terry Elsmore. 1 member abstained.

The motion approved.

It was decided that the boats should be numbered 1-9, to better identify which boat has a problem

Terry Elsmore will put numbers on the boats.

It is important to have a safe distance to other boats on Lake Sumter and Lake Miona.

Terry Elsmore has placed a cloth bag to store the locks in to protect it from sand.

Mary DeFranco will purchase a computer spray can of air to clean the lock with.

Terry Elsmore has replaced the wheel pins on 1 dolly. This seems to work. He will replace the rest.

Old Business:

Long Term:

The Task Force did not have any report at present time.

Hope to get some information from Mr. Rohan at the general meeting Tuesday night October 12th.

Formation of new teams:

John Townley requested the "Protocol for forming new teams" be part of the Club's Rules and Procedures.

A motion to add "Protocol for forming New Teams" to the Rules and Procedures of the club bylaws was made by Terry Elsmore and 2nd. by Per Olesen. Motion approved.

John will write a clean copy of the procedures and give it to Linda Braun, to be included on the Website.

New Business:

The General meeting October 12 will have Mr. Rohan as a guest speaker.

Mary DeFranco will give a brief demo of the AED and provide the link for members to sign up.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:10pm.

Respectfully submitted

Elly Olesen

Secretary of GMDBC