

Grand Masters Dragon Boat Club  
Board Meeting March 14<sup>th</sup>. – 2022

Attendance:

Cheryl Moran ----- President  
Mary DeFranco ----- Vice President  
RaeAnn Bethel ----- Treasurer  
Elly Olesen ----- Secretary  
Greg Walker ----- Blackheart  
Mary Lou Bremer ----- Blackheart  
Per Olesen ----- Dirty Dozen  
Terry Elsmore ----- Paddling Patriots  
Ashleigh Heidelberg ----- Paddling Patriots  
John Townley ----- Silver Dragons  
Tom Upton ----- Sparta 70  
Linda Braun ----- This Boat Rocks  
Beth Bowen ----- Village Dragons  
Mary R. Wilson ----- Warriors

Opening:

Cheryl Moran called the meeting to order at 1:05pm.

**Secretary Report:**

Elly Olesen called for approval of the minutes as posted and sent out prior to the meeting.

Report was accepted and approved by raise of hands.

**Treasurer Report:**

RaeAnn Bethel presented the club's monthly financial statement.

Report was accepted and approved by raise of hands.

A copy is attached.

RaeAnn Bethel informed the board that the budget meeting is still planned for the month of June.

The total number of members that registered electronically are 306.

RaeAnn also introduced her nomination for the next club Treasurer: Ashleigh Heidelberg from Paddling Patriots.

**President Report:**

Cheryl Moran informed the board that the club can expect several high expenses soon, such as final payment for boat covers, Insurances and the possibility of needing to purchase more boats, including new Trollies

Especially the Red-Boat is in bad shape.

The club should for now leave the budget "status Quo"

Cheryl also reminded the board, when officers change, the names must be submitted to Sunbiz and Banks.

**Vice President Report:**

Mary DeFranco reported the Paddling Patriots have changed some of their practices from Lake Miona to Lake Sumter: Friday – 8-9 am. Tuesdays are unchanged.

Boat Maintenance and /or Lake Matters.

John Townley reported he had not heard how much extra it would cost to have the boat covers double stitched with Marine Threads. 6 more boat covers are needed. It was decided the 10-man boat cover is in good shape. The covers are needed and should be expedited as fast as possible.

Terry Elsmore will start working on the PVC frame the covers will be resting on.

Linda Braun informed she has bought a new pump to empty the boats of rainwater. (Thank you Linda)

Tom Upton requested to have a Drummer seat from storage to use at their practices. Mary Lou Bremer will contact Chuck Coogan to get it.

**Old Business:**

Long term planning did not have a report at present time.

Terry Elsmore presented options for a club Picnic. The Board agreed to have a simple picnic with Hot Dogs, and everyone bring a side dish and a lawn chair for extra seating. The picnic should be at Seabreeze Pavilion on April 24<sup>th</sup>. or May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Immediately after the board meeting Terry secured the Seabreeze Pavilion for April 24<sup>th</sup>. from 3pm. Until 7pm. (Thank you Terry)

**New Business:**

Cheryl Moran informed the board the Sales Department has requested a team building Paddle, with 30 participants. Volunteers are needed to plan. Mary DeFranco volunteered to chair the Event and will reach out to Helen Moyies from the sales department and inform the board regarding a date and needs. (Thank you Mary)

Miona Parking seems still to be a problem, although the GMDBC teams have changed some of their practices to ease on the space available there.

Next General meeting will be held in May-2022.

Club Activities for 2022 at present is: Picnic on 4/24 – 3-7pm. At Seabreeze.

Sales Department paddle date to be determined.

Camp Villages 2022 will again be Captained by Coach Bob Kane, a date has not been set yet.

All expenses for Camp Villages must be Board approved in advance.

**Other items.**

Terry Elsmore reported that some of the Paddling Patriots, are willing to race with other teams.

Captains must inquire through Terry what they are looking for. Female or Male and he will forward the names to the team captains who will contact the paddler directly.

Elly Olesen will forward a note to Linda Braun for the general membership, regarding the opening of the nomination period April 1<sup>st</sup>. and ending April 30<sup>th</sup>.

Nominations needed are for: **Vice President and Treasurer.**

Tabled Items continue to be the same as previously reported.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:05pm.

Respectfully Submitted

**Elly Olesen**

Secretary of GMDBC

