

Grand Masters Dragon Boat Club

Board Meeting July 11th.

Attendance:

Cheryl Moran ----- President

Steve Augustine ----- Treasurer

Elly Olesen ----- Secretary

Bob Ricks ----- Blackheart

Per Olesen ----- Dirty Dozen

Terry Elsmore ----- Patriots

John Townley ----- Silver Dragons

Ron Perish ----- Sparta 70

Lynn Maready ----- Warriors

Mary Wilson ----- Warriors

Beth Bowen ----- Villages Dragons

Opening:

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

Cheryl informed the board that Linda Braun from TBR took a fall at the boat area this morning and was taken to the hospital. Linda fractured her Elbow and Pelvic. She will be out for a while. A card will be sent to her on behalf of the board.

Secretary Report:

The minutes from June board meeting were sent out prior to this meeting. There were no corrections. A motion to approve minutes as posted was made by Per Olesen and seconded by John Townley. Report approved.

Treasurer Report:

Steve Augustine presented the financials for month of June. A Motion to approve the report as presented was made by John Townley and seconded by Per Olesen. Report approved.

A copy is attached.

The club membership is now 350.

Steve reported that there is a problem with the registration of the boat trailer. The Sun-Biz roster has not been updated; therefore Steve cannot re-register the boat-trailer. With no valid DMV-plate the trailer cannot go on the road until Steve's name is on the Sun-Biz roster.

Steve Augustine explained to the board he feels there is no need to contact a CPA at this point to file the club Tax-forms, so this issue was postponed for now.

Steve also investigated the IRS ruling regarding the limit on a balance the clubs accounts can have.

There are no limits if Tax-forms are filed properly and timely.

Steve requested the club obtain an ATM card to be able to access the account for easier bill paying.

President Report:

Cheryl Moran welcomed our new Treasurer Steve Augustine and thanked him for his detailed and flying start.

Cheryl reported the Officers Liability Insurance and Team Snap are due in July-August 2022.

Cheryl Moran Reported it is now necessary to renew the contract with Mr. Rohan and the Rec Dept regarding the boat hours on Lake Sumter. Due to COVID-19 the Rec Dept let it slide. However, going forward this must now be done every 6 months.

Cheryl Moran expressed her thanks to John Townley for a job well done at the Board of County Commissioners meeting regarding their letter of canceling the club's storage of boats and equipment at Lake Miona. John Townley, and two other entities explained the importance of being able to have the boats and equipment there. The Commissioners decided to Grandfather GMDBC into their revised rules for the future. Problem solved.

Several misdirected emails were addressed regarding renting or lending out the club's 10-man boat. It is inappropriate to include outside parties in our internal emails.

Vice President Report:

No report at present time.

Boat Maintenance and/or Lake Miona:

John Townley reported all 5 new boat covers has now been received and paid for and they came in under budget.

Terry Elmore informed that all cages for the covers to rest on are completed and working well.

Tools missing:

A minor confusion regarding the whereabouts of the tools to clean the launch area was solved. Chuck Coogan had brought the tools back to the storage area. The tools will now be brought back and kept in one of the boats for future use.

Old Business:

Long Term Committee: Per Olesen did not have any report at present time.

Camp Villages second event is July 12th and is again being run by Coach Bob Kane.

A request by the coach for the Villages Girls Soccer Team to hold a team building paddle event has been approved by the Rec Dept and Mr. Rohan. The club board will fully support such an event. However, there has not been any date set at this time.

New Business:

Cheryl Moran informed that Mr. Rohan will have a meeting with her regarding purchasing equipment for use during the special events, when Mr. Rohan get a final time frame when the new venue will be ready.

The marine mats for Lake Sumter have been ordered.

A discussion was held if the club should keep or sell the 10-man boat.

Elly Olesen made a motion for selling the boat as it is very tipsy in using. There was no second so there for the motion was invalid.

It became clear that some teams were using the 10-man boat at Lake Miona. Per Olesen made the motion to keep the boat, this was seconded by Ron Perch. This motion was approved.

Newcomers Magazine – 2022/2023:

Cheryl Moran has received an invitation for our club to be featured with advertising in The Villages Newcomers Magazine. A small ad would cost \$ 375.00. The board decided this would be a great way for Dragon Boating to be visible to the Community. A motion was made by Terry Elsmore to spend \$500.00 for a larger ad. This was seconded by Ron Perch. Motion approved.

Beth Bowen will Task Force and contact the Magazine.

Bob Ricks informed the board that as an IDBF representative for the upcoming World Competition in Sarasota this month, he did not see any teams from the GMDBC participating this time.

Ron Perch announced that Bob Kane would like to do a Para-Athletics paddle event.

Cheryl Moran informed Ron Perch that such an event must go through The Rec Dept and Mr. Rohan for permission as the GMDBC is under the Villages Rec. Dept.

Tabled Items:

Senior C Invitational Event Proposal --- Postponed to 2023, Villages Regatta – Postponed until 2023

Coordinator needed. Recreation Department Paddle --- October 22

Budget Meeting moved to August 2022. NEXT GENERAL MEETING 10/22

Meeting Adjourned at 2:05pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Elly Olesen

Secretary, GMDBC