

Grand Masters Dragon Boat Club.
Board Meeting September 12th. 2022

Attendance:

Cheryl Moran ----- President
Mary DeFranco ----- Vice President
Elly Olesen ----- Secretary
Bob Ricks ----- Blackheart
Per Olesen ----- Dirty Dozen Dragons
Don Glass ----- Paddling Patriots
Terry Elsmore ----- Paddling Patriots
Julie Coleman ----- Paddling Patriots
John Townley ----- Silver Dragons
Linda Braun ----- This Boat Rocks
Beth Bowen ----- Village Dragons

Opening:

Cheryl Moran called the meeting to order at 1:03pm.

Cheryl thanked Linda Braun and Elly Olesen for the timely way to post and record information.

Secretary Report:

Final minutes were sent out prior to the meeting. (The word rent was changed to fair share.)

A motion to approve as posted was made by John Townley and 2nd. by Bob Ricks. 1 abstain.

Report approved.

Treasurer Report:

Cheryl Moran presented the monthly financial statement as Treasurer Steve Augustine was absent.

Financial copy is attached.

1.SunBiz has now been updated with the current roster of board members.

2.Boat registration was paid 8/26

3.Steve has made two attempts to contact Chuck Coogan to transfer registration documentation, as new license plate has been made. Old license plate must be surrendered to FDOT. Steve will continue to try to get hold of Chuck Coogan to complete the transfer.

4. All teams have sent in their documentation to Steve Augustine for club Taxes. He is still waiting on two teams to respond to questions. When all teams reconcile Steve will set meeting with "Villages Tax and Accounting Services" to move forward with filing the 990EZ form, before December 2022 due date.

The Treasurer's report was approved by board vote.

The active club membership is now 376

President Report:

1. Cheryl Moran requested all captains to do the annual membership Reconciliation, of members primary teams and who has, or has not yet paid their dues. This should be forwarded to Mary DeFranco, Linda Braun and Steve Augustine. This information is very important to the Risk Management Insurance.

2. Cheryl Moran reported that due to the heavy rains a lot of sand has been washed over the new mats. It is the team's responsibility to shovel or sweep as much sand off as possible to keep the mats in good condition.

3. The new contract with the Sumter County is now complete. GMDBC have permission to have 3 boats at Lake Miona. A signed contract is now on file.

Boat Maintenance and/or Lake Matter:

John Townley reported all boat covers are working fine. The club at present has 1 extra boat cover (older) available. This cover will be used for one of the 20-man boats in storage.

A discussion was held regarding the club purchasing a 10-man boat cover. John Townley made motion to buy 1 10-man cover. Bob Ricks 2nd. the motion was approved.

Terry Elmore requested to have the storage gate card, so he can get in and measurer for the cage cover support.

While Terry is at the storage, he will take off the old trailer license plate and pick up the new license plate and registration.

Boats, Keep or Sell:

Linda Braun reported, she has an interested party, that would like to look at the 2 old boats in storage. This party will meet with Linda Braun to observe TBR paddling on Lake Sumter on September 30th. Then at a later date paddle with a team on Lake Miona. Linda asked if it would be possible for Silver Dragons to accommodate her party. John Townley agreed to do this.

After a discussion of "keep or Sell" the 2 older boats, a motion was made by Per Olesen to sell and a 2nd. was made by Terry Elmore. The motion was approved, and Linda can now move forward with her interested party.

Old Business:

Long Term Committee did not have a report at present time. It was agreed upon to table the task force until new information is forth coming from the Rec. Dept.

New Business: (formation of new teams)

As many questions has come forward recently regarding the formation of new teams (for local and international event, as well as residents and none - residents). A long discussion was held, and it became obvious that the by-laws needed updating and clarification on these subjects. A motion was made to form a task force by Mary DeFranco, John Townley and Don Glass to work on this. Motion was made by Terry Elsmore and 2nd. by Mary DeFranco, motion was approved.

The task force will bring a proposal to the next board meeting in October-2022.

Special report:

Elly Olesen presented a white paper (Race Schedule) from Tom Upton as he was absent.

- 1.Sparta 70, "Sr. D" has just registered for the October 1st. D-Boat races in Sarasota.
- 2.Leatherneck-Warriors has registered a Mixed Senior "A" team.
- 3.Leaterneck-Warriors Women have registered a 10-man boat for October 1st. at Sarasota.

Team Snap note:

A white paper authored by Bob Kane, through TeamSnap, was passed out. A short discussion was held.

However, it was determined that it would be best to invite Bob Kane to the next board meeting in October to find a way to move forward as a united GMDBC.

Tabled Items:

- 1.Senior C international postponed to 2023
- 2.Village Regatta postponed to 2023
3. Recreation Dept. Paddle October 2022.
- 4.Coordinators- Race coordinator needed
5. Long Term Planning. Tabled until further info is forth coming.
6. October general meeting cancelled.
- 7.Next general meeting will be in November 2022.

Meeting Adjourned at 2:37pm.

Respectfully Submitted by

Elly Olesen

Secretary of GMDBC