

Grand Masters Dragon Boat Club
Board Meeting November 14th. – 2022

Attendance:

Cheryl Moran ----- President
Steve Augustine -----Treasurer
Elly Olesen ----- Secretary
Bob Ricks ----- Blackheart
Ray Vail ----- Dirty Dozen
Angela Davis ----- Eastport Sun Dragons
Gail Long ----- Eastport Sun Dragons
Lyn Maready ----- Eastport Sun Dragons
Terry Elsmore ----- Paddling Patriots
Linda Braun ----- This Boat Rocks
Beth Bowen ----- Villages Dragons
Mary R. Wilson ----- Warriors
Tom Upton ----- Warriors / Sparta 70

Opening:

Cheryl Moran called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm.
Cheryl welcomed the members from Eastport Sun Dragons, Angela, Lynn and Gail.

Secretary Report:

The report was sent out prior to the meeting, and two spelling errors have been corrected.
John Townley made motion to approve the minutes as written and Tom Upton 2nd. minutes approved.
Elly Olesen reported on email received from Cheryl Moran. The email will let the records show the Eastport Sun Dragons application for full membership in GMDBC has been ratified effective October 24th. 2022 by unanimous vote.

This reported Mr. Rohan of the Rec. Dept. His comments were:

“Thanks for the great communication and keeping me in the loop. It will be required all Dragon Boaters, unless a scheduled race, will have to be Village Residents.”

Treasurer Report:

Membership now at 384

Steve Augustine presented the club's financial statement and asked for approval. Tom Upton made motion to approve as presented. John Townley 2nd. Report approved. A copy is attached.

Steve Augustine informed the board the GMDBC's annually Tax return has been filed. The CPA Company The Villages Tax Services was used. A fee of \$500.00 has been paid and will show up on the next statement.

Year end membership reconciliation will again be done by Steve Augustine, Mary DeFranco and Linda Braun. Captains were encouraged to make needed corrections to their rosters when electronic renewal period is closed.

Pending expenses for December are Renewal of SRDBA – 2023 and The General Liability Insurance in a projected amount of \$1,500.00.

President Report:

Cheryl Moran Congratulated the Eastport Sun Dragons and introduced the 3 members attending the board meeting. Lynn Maready team Coach. Gail Long team Treasurer, and Angela Davis team Co-Captain.

The Eastport Sun Dragons reported they will have their first official paddle this coming Monday afternoon on Lake Miona. Their scheduled paddle times has been cleared by Mary DeFranco.

Cheryl Moran announced the general meeting November 15th. will be at the Colony Rec. Center at 6:30 pm., due to the election and Sea Breeze maintenance.

The general meeting will be the club's annual Safety Review presented by Mary DeFranco.

John Townley will go over some changes and additions to the Club Rules and Procedures requested by the board. Rules and Procedures is not to be confused by the Club's By-Laws. The improvements must now be presented to the general membership and thereafter going forward to voting.

Boat Maintenance and/or Lake Matter:

Cheryl Moran informed the board that it is the teams' duty to clear the landing area for debris at Lake Sumter to prevent critters to be present. Cheryl has been in contact with Mr. Dayle Graff. The Rec. Dept can be of help in contacting the maintenance crew to remove the debris collected.

It was reported the clear coat on the boat gunnels is starting to chip and needs work. Tom Upton and John Townley will investigate.

Chuck Coogan's contact information can be obtained through Steve Augustine and Mary Lou Bremer.

Tom Upton asked if it would be possible to load and unload the boats on Lake Miona by boats being parallel to the beach instead of using the dock. Boats must not touch sand therefore Tom's request was denied. All boats must be loaded from the docks.

Old Business:

A complete report of the incident on Lake Miona 02-28-2022 has been received.

John Townley explained the latest changes and additions to the Rules and Procedures. A motion to move forward and present them to the general membership at the general meeting November 15th. was made by Linda Braun and 2nd. by Tom Upton. Motion approved.

New Business:

Linda Braun reported she has met with the entities interested in buying the 2 older boats in storage. They wish to know what exactly is included in the sale. Terry Elsmore suggested a formal purchasing note be made of every item included, with the sales price of \$2000.00 for both boats, as the board previously has approved. Then go from there.

There will not be a board meeting in the month of December 2022, as Cheryl Moran will be out of town. Cheryl will instead forward a report via e-mail. John Townley made the motion for Cheryl to do an email report for December -2022. Terry Elsmore 2nd. Motion approved.

January -2023 is the month for membership renewals and the fee will stay at \$20.00 per person. Captains were reminded that only one check per team to the Treasurer.

Tom Upton reported that Lee Ceravac is now the coach for the Warriors/Sparta 70.

Tabled items:

1. Senior C invitational Event Postponed to 2023.
2. Villages Regatta postponed to 2023.
3. Coordinator- Race Coordinator needed.
4. Recreation Department Paddle Postponed.
5. Next General Meeting—January 2023.
6. Long Term Planning.

Meeting Adjourn at 1:52pm.

Respectfully Submitted by

Elly Olesen

Secretary of GMDBC.