

Grand Masters Dragon Boat Club.

Board Meeting April 10th. – 2023

Attendance:

Mary DeFranco – Vice President

Steve Augustine – Treasurer

Elly Olesen – Secretary

Ray Vail – Dirty Dozen

Shelby Imus – Eastport Sun Dragons

Julie Coleman – Paddling Patriots

John Townley – Silver Dragons

Ron Perich – Sparta 70

Linda Braun – This Boat Rocks

Beth Bowen – Village Dragons

Mary Wilson – Warriors

Tom Upton – Warriors / Sparta 70

Opening:

Mary DeFranco called the meeting to order at 1:02pm.

Secretary Report:

Report was sent out prior to the meeting, including corrections. Linda Braun has posted on the website.

Motion to approve as posted was made by John Townley and 2nd. By Linda Braun. Report approved.

Treasurer Report:

Steve Augustine presented the financial report ending 3/31- 2023. Motion to approve as presented was made by Tom Upton and 2nd. By Beth Bowen. Report approved.

A copy is attached.

1. Steve reported the membership now stands at 346.
2. Steve gave heads up regarding the boat storage and insurance would increase by the middle of the year.
3. Steve also feels the club treasurer account is getting too large now at \$52,149.94. A discussion was held regarding the minimum amount to have in the account, and the fair share payback to teams. No conclusion was reached.

Vice President Report:

The Safety Document was sent out prior to the meeting.

1. Mary DeFranco presented the updated and expanded Safety Procedures. There were no Corrections or additions. John Townley made motion to approve The Safety Document and Shelby Imus 2nd.

Document approved.

2. Mary emphasized the importance of all Captains and Steers should be aware of the safety rules and share them with their paddlers.

3. Mary gave a report on the theft of the AED at Sumter Landing. The Police report was presented to the board, Mary will make a copy for the Secretary's file.

A request was made for an updated list of board members' email and phone numbers to be made. Elly Olesen will send out an updated list. Linda Braun will update the website.

Boat Maintenance and/ or Lake Matters.:

The cleaning of all boats is now complete. Julie Coleman reported the skeleton for the 10-man boat cover is in process.

There are still some boats with loose seats that need attention. John Townley will check and fasten if necessary.

Old Business:

1. Long Term Planning has no report at the present time.
2. pavilion. If the weather does not cooperate the picnic will be moved indoors.
3. PFD event April 16th. From 4-8pm. will be at the Everglades Rec. Center Pool. Both regular and canister PFD's can be checked.
4. Nominations for President and Secretary are open from April 1st. – April 30th. Nominations should be sent to the Secretary. Ellyo8998@gmail.com
5. At the May General meeting the candidates will speak to the membership.
6. After the meeting the voting period is open for 2 weeks.

GMDBC- Race Team.

Brad Smith and Bob Ricks are leading the effort of forming a team to go to Sarasota in July-2023, with the purpose of qualifying for a berth to the world Champions race in Italy in 2024.

The board discussed if the club should support such a team.

A motion was made by Elly Olesen to support the team, by paying for the entry fee for Sarasota only. Ray Vail 2nd. Motion approved.

Beth Bowen made a motion to limit the fee to \$1,500.00 for the Sarasota race and revisit later if needed. This was the 2nd. By Julie Coleman. Motion approved.

Shelby Imus reported on the guest pass offer from the Genesis health club. Shelby has not received much interest but would like captains to ask their paddlers and give her a final number as soon as possible.

Julie Coleman has made 3 extra notebooks for incoming captains. Julie will add a copy of the updated and approved Safety Document. She will hand over the notebooks at the next meeting.

New Business.

New and more secure boxes are needed for both Sumter and Miona. Steve Augustine, Linda Braun and Mary DeFranco have done extensive research on possible replacements. More research on prices is still needed.

Replace the AED. A motion was made to replace the missing AED and outfit it with an Air tag. The motion was made by John Townley and 2nd by Elly Olesen. Motion approved.

Mary will order the AED and The Air Tag

How to secure the new AED was brought up. Possibilities include a hunting camera attached to one of the trees. Elly will investigate a hunting camera possibility and report back.

Tabled Items:

1. Senior C Invitational Event proposal- postponed until Eastport Opening
2. Villages Regatta – postponed until 2024, Grand Opening of Eastport
3. Coordinator Needed

The meeting adjourned at 2:15pm.

Respectfully Submitted by

Elly Olesen, Secretary

GMDBC.

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