

Grand Masters Dragon Boat Club
Board Meeting Minutes – July 10, 2023

Attendance:

President		Vice President	Mary DeFranco
Treasurer		Secretary	
Captains:			
Blackhearts	Bob Ricks	Silver Dragons	John Townley
Dirty Dozen	Elly Olesen	Sparta 70	Ron Perich
Eastport Sun Dragons	Gail Long	Sunset Island Dragons	Bill Clark
Leathernecks/Warriors	Tom Upton	This Boat Rocks	Linda Braun
Paddling Patriots	Julie Coleman	Village Dragons	Beth Bowen

Opening: Mary called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM

Secretary Report:

1. June board meeting minutes were posted prior to meeting
 - a. Report approved

Treasurer's Report:

1. Financial statement ending June 30, 2023 was distributed prior to meeting
 - a. Report approved
2. Reminder to Captains that membership is pro-rated to \$10 for new members now through December

Vice President's Report:

1. AED replacement at Lake Sumter
 - a. AED remains on order
2. Safety
 - a. Discussed location of safety rope in seat 5
 - i. Bow and stern lines may be more effective for water rescue
 - b. Silver Dragons had a steersperson go overboard.
 - i. No injuries were reported, but a report will be filed

Boat Maintenance and/or Boat Matters:

1. Box Replacement at Lake Miona
 - a. New box measurements must be approved by County Commissioners before purchase.

Old Business:

1. GMDBC Sarasota Race Team update
 - a. Team will compete in 200M on July 21, 500 M on July 22 and 2000M on July 23

2. Drummer/Steerer List Update
3. Camp Villages Update
 - a. Camp Villages is July 18th.
 - b. There will be about 35-40 GMDBC members volunteering to help with the program.

New Business:

1. Race Coordinator
 - a. Position remains vacant

Team Updates:

1. Sparta will be racing in Lake Hernando, FL.
2. Leatherneck/Warriors will be racing in LaGrange, Georgia and Pensacola, Florida
3. Para Dragon Boat Race in Thailand
 - a. Mary Wilson has been chosen to steer in this event
 - b. July 21 Fundraiser information was sent out to all club members by Linda Braun
 - c. Motion by Tom and seconded by Ron to donate \$500 to Mary toward her trip expenses was unanimously approved

Tabled Items:

1. Senior C Invitational Event Proposal – postponed until Eastport opening
2. Villages Regatta – postponed until 2024
3. Long Term Planning

Next General Meeting is October 10, 2023

Meeting adjourned at 1:45 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Laura Reynolds