### Board Meeting Minutes January 13, 2025

#### Attendance:

President	Cheryl Moran	Vice President	Don Lies
Treasurer	Steve Augustine	Secretary	Laura Reynolds
Captains:			
Blackhearts	Mary Lou Bremer	Silver Dragons	John Townley
Dirty Dozen	Steve Printz	Sparta 70	Ken Loomis
Eastport Sun Dragons	Gail Long	Sunset Island Dragons	Bill Clark
Leathernecks/Warriors	Robin Lockerby	This Boat Rocks	Linda Braun
Paddling Patriots	Dave Bethel	Village Dragons	Beth Bowen
Other Attendees			
Eastport Sun Dragons – Angela Davis			
Village Dragons – Jane Spellacy			

Opening: Meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM

#### Secretary's Report:

- 1. December board meeting summary was previously sent out via e-mail.
  - a. A motion to approve the December report by Gail, with 2<sup>nd</sup> by John, passed unanimously
- 2. Sports Race Update
  - a. Planning a periodic update on race results to be published in the Daily Sun
  - b. Captains please provide race results to Laura and Donnie
- 3. Media Update
  - a. Next article will feature Blackhearts
  - b. Upcoming articles to feature Village Dragons, Intro to Dragon Boating and other special interest/events
  - c. Content of articles is improving as relationship with the journalist continues to improve

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

- 1. December financial report was reviewed by Steve Augustine
  - a. Member count at the end of the year was 418
  - b. A motion to approve the December report by Steve P, with 2<sup>nd</sup> by John, passed unanimously
- 2. Registration Process
  - a. Still waiting on updated waiver from insurance company; expected by end of the month
  - b. A motion by John to have the waivers professionally printed/collated/stapled at a cost of no more than \$500, seconded by Robin, passed unanimously
  - c. Steve and Laura will get the waivers printed and distributed to captains
  - d. Reminder that TeamSnap rosters must only include registered team members

e. A motion by Mary Lou to maintain the current club dues amount of \$20 per member for 2025, seconded by Dave, passed unanimously

# President's Report:

- 1. Lake Sumter
  - a. Completion of needed repairs is still TBD, pending engineering report
  - b. Cheryl has submitted plans for temporary docks for consideration
  - c. Note that only CDC can complete any needed repairs
- 2. PWAC request
  - a. Request for board members in-person representation at an upcoming PWAC and/or CDC meeting to support dragon boating in The Villages was received
  - b. Volunteers will be notified as to additional details by Cheryl
- 3. Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is forthcoming
  - a. MOU will provide ongoing protection of club's rights for access to Villages lakes
  - b. It will require continuation of current insurances
  - c. It will limit access to lakes based on specific club requirements which GMDBC has demonstrated
- 4. Member Q&A Long Range Planning
  - a. List of questions sent to Cheryl by a Silver Dragons team member prompted discussion of long range planning status. John will address specific questions with his team member
  - b. Need to re-visit the status and expectations of the current long-range planning committee
- 5. Boat Orders
  - a. Purchase of a 20-person boat, along with trailer and equipment for 40 paddlers, by the Villages is in progress
  - b. A motion by Steve A. for the club to purchase a 20-person boat at a cost no more than \$15,000, seconded by John, was approved unanimously
    - i. Linda will send out a vote for approval of this purchase to all club members by the end of this week

# Vice-President's Report:

- 1. Safety
  - a. Donnie will provide update at General Meeting
- 2. AED class
  - a. Details TBD;
    - meeting room at Seabreeze is available Feb 11 and March 11 at 6:30
  - b. Training will be provided by CERT
- 3. New Member Packets
  - a. Donnie will have packets available at board meetings for captains to pick up for their new team members

# **Boat Maintenance:**

- 1. Boat Task Force Report
  - a. Gel coat repair update
    - i. 2 of 5 boats have completed repairs
    - ii. Be aware of sand damage to interior of boats
    - iii. If streaks are noted in the gel coat please leave it alone
  - b. Deck boxes
    - i. Locks have been found open at several practices
      - 1. Please double check that locks are secure
    - ii. Storage organizer built by Eastport was removed and lost
      - 1. New one will be built; please treat it kindly
- 2. Purple Boat
  - a. All reusable parts have been stripped and moved to the storage locker
  - b. Bill will oversee disposal of the boat carcass
- 3. Lake Sumter- General Clean up
  - a. Ken and Donnie are coordinating general clean-up of the boat launch area

## **Old Business**

- 1. GMDBC Rodeo on Lake Sumter
  - a. To be rescheduled at a later date
- 2. Updates Steer Drummer list Gail
  - a. No discussion
- 3. Future Boat purchase discussion
  - a. Discussed as part of President's Report under Boat Orders above

## **New Business:**

- 1. Inter- Team Club activities
  - a. No discussion
- 2. April Picnic
  - a. Will need a team to host

## **Tabled Items:**

- 1. Senior C Invitational postponed until opening of Eastport
- 2. Villages regatta Postponed until opening of Eastport
- 3. Long term Planning for Club

## Close

The meeting was adjourned at 2:13 PM

Next General Meeting will be 6:30 pm on January 14th at Lake Miona Rec Center Next Board Meeting will be 1:00 PM, February 10 at Canal St Rec Center