

Board Meeting Minutes February 10, 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	(Mary Lou)
Leathernecks/Warriors	(Ken)	This Boat Rocks	Linda Braun
Paddling Patriots	Dave Bethel	Village Dragons	(Laura)
Other Attendees			
	Frank Lupoli – Maintenance Chair		
	Silver Dragons – Colleen Campbell		

Opening: Meeting was called to order at 1:01 PM

Secretary's Report:

1. January board meeting summary was previously sent out via e-mail.
 - a. A motion to approve the January report by Dave, with 2nd by Mary Lou, passed unanimously
2. Sports Race Update
 - a. Blackhearts and Silver Dragons provided planned race schedule
 - i. 2 races planned for March
 - ii. Captains please let secretary know your schedule
 - b. Captains please provide race results to Laura and Donnie
 - c. Donnie to get list of upcoming races and send out to captains
3. Media Update
 - a. Our journalist is out of pocket for a bit due to personal issues; Donnie is coordinating next article
 - b. Upcoming articles to feature Village Dragons, Intro to Dragon Boating and other special interest/events, and report on enrichment academy hosted by Silver Dragons

Treasurer's Report:

1. January financial report was reviewed by Steve Augustine
 - a. Member count stands at 434 as of 1/31/2024
 - b. A motion to approve the December report by Steve P, with 2nd by John, passed unanimously
2. Truist Account online access
 - a. Treasurer will set up admin role there to ensure private access to each teams accounts

- i. Blackhearts raised concerns; requested no changes to existing access if possible
- 3. SunBiz Fictitious Name updates are due
 - a. 5 teams are due this year (Blackhearts, Village Dragons are done)
 - b. Treasurer will provide detailed instructions (Warriors, Sparta, Silver Dragons)
- 4. Registration Process
 - a. Waivers are out to team captains. Thank you for Captains for picking them up
 - i. Completed waivers and a check for the waivers should be turned in to Treasurer by Feb 13
 - ii. Secretary to turn waivers in to the Villages on Feb 14
 - b. Reminder that TeamSnap rosters must only include registered team members

President's Report:

- 1. Email Issues
 - a. Email distribution list from Cheryl may have resulted in emails going to junk folder or missing altogether. Please be aware
- 2. Lake Sumter
 - a. Still anticipating lake access sometime in February
 - b. Developer risk management will determine when access is available
- 3. Central Lake
 - a. Boat house has been completed at Central Lake
 - i. Still a hardhat construction zone so **NO** access yet
 - b. Requested paddle time on Central Lake to match our current schedule at Lake Sumter
- 4. Shared practice sessions
 - a. Only 1 of 3 boats are used M, W, F from 3-4 PM at Lake Sumter by Village Dragons; other teams are welcome to join
 - b. Also Friday evening 5:00 PM social paddle time is available at Lake Sumter
- 5. Boat Purchase
 - a. Club vote on purchase of a 20-person was completed
 - i. 207 total votes; 205 aye votes, 2 nay votes

Vice-President's Report:

- 1. Safety
 - a. Be sure to submit incident reports as required
 - b. Be sure that paddlers are getting in and out of the boats safely at Miona
 - Assist with a wrist to wrist grip
- 2. AED class
 - a. AED training session by CERT is scheduled for March 11 at Pimlico from 1:00 – 4:00
 - 50 max participants
 - b. See email to get team members scheduled
- 3. B-Ready update
 - a. First meeting was Wednesday, Feb 5
 - Ongoing meetings will be held every other month
 - b. Brainstorming on potential needs both on and off the water occurred

Boat Maintenance:

1. Boat Task Force Report
 - a. Frank Lupoli is new chairperson. He has completed
 - i. inventory review
 - ii. Visual inspection of boats
 - iii. Installation of “hubcaps” on boat dollies at Miona
 - b. Hairline vs stress cracks was discussed
 - i. Interior hairline cracks exist on 4 boats; however these cracks do not appear to be critical and could be addressed by the club vs. a professional
 - c. On-going boat maintenance
 - i. Frank will meet with maintenance committee (1 representative from each team) to determine updated maintenance schedule and begin discussions on needed ongoing maintenance for the fleet
 - ii. There is currently no assigned budget for boat maintenance
 - d. Gel Coat repair update
 - i. 3rd boat being repaired at present; 2 boats remaining
 - ii. Be aware of sand damage to interior of boats
 - iii. If streaks are noted in the gel coat please leave it alone
2. Purple Boat
 - a. Has been disposed of
3. Lake Sumter- General Clean up (Ken)
 - a. Deck box support has been repaired
 - b. Area has been raked and cleaned up

Old Business

1. GMDBC Rodeo on Lake Sumter
 - a. To be rescheduled at a later date
2. Updates Steer Drummer list – Gail
 - a. Gail will provide updates to Laura
3. 2025 CCNC - October 14 at Sarasota
 - a. GMDBC Club race team is an option, but needs a coordinator
 - b. Warriors will attend separately; Blackhearts may also send a Senior D team
4. Boat purchase
 - a. Championship races will be using BuK boats
 - b. Developer is buying a BuK boat
 - c. Champion boats are manufactured in Montreal; high shipping costs
 - d. Motion by Ken with 2nd by Donnie for John to pursue estimate on a new BuK boat
 - i. To include head/tail/drum/seat and yoke
5. April Picnic – 2nd Tuesday in April at 5:00 PM - Dave
 - a. Update on food to be supplied (hotdogs, condiments, chips)
 - b. Teams will bring side dishes
6. Night to Shine – special needs adult Prom
 - a. Paddling Patriots participated in this charity event

- b. See the article in the February 10th Daily Sun

New Business:

1. Inter- Team – Club – activities
 - a. No discussion
2. Meeting Rooms for June through September
 - a. Teams may use or reservation will be cancelled
 - b. Contact Laura if your team can use the room

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 2:26 PM

Next General Meeting will be 5:00 pm on April 8th at Seabreeze – Annual Picnic

Next Board Meeting will be 1:00 PM, March 10 at Canal St Rec Center