

Grand Masters Dragon Boat Club
General Meeting Minutes – April 8, 2025

Annual picnic / general meeting was held at Sea Breeze Rec center

Secretary Report

1. Motion to approve previous meetings minutes by Mary DeFranco with 2nd by Beth Bowen passed unanimously.
 - a. Picnic Attendance was 175

Treasurer Report:

1. Budget and Treasury balance discussion
 - a. Current financial report was reviewed
 - Motion to approve report by Linda Braun with 2nd by Beth Bowen passed unanimously.
2. 2025 member count stands at 362

President Report:

1. Thank you to the Patriots for planning and hosting the picnic
 - a. Kudos to grill masters Kenny Kaye and Dave Bethel
3. Eastport Update
 - a. President Cheryl Moran participated in a walk-through of the Eastport/Central Lake facilities
 - b. Facilities include boathouse with bathrooms, storage area, dock and launch area and are even better than anticipated
 - c. The Villages has purchased a boat for Central Lake
 - d. GMDBC has purchased a boat for Central Lake
 - e. Anticipate Central Lake opening in the fall of 2025
4. Lake Sumter Update
 - a. Lake Sumter will close for 30-90 days as of April 13
 - b. Extensive pump house and launch area maintenance will be completed
 - c. The Villages will be moving and storing boats and dock box
 - d. New boating facilities being planned at Lake Sumter will include a boathouse, slips for 3 dragon boats and new launches
 - e. All teams will be practicing at Lake Miona during construction
 - Captains will finalize practice schedule at the next board meeting to ensure equitable access to all teams
2. 2025 Officer Elections
 - a. Nominations for the offices of **President** and **Secretary** are open and may be submitted to the Secretary by any club member in good standing no later than May 1
 - i. Cheryl Moran has accepted a nomination for President
 - ii. Laura Reynolds has accepted a nomination for Secretary

1. Old Business
 - a. n/a
2. New Business
 - a. n/a
3. Tabled Items
 - a. Senior C Invitational Event Proposal – Postponed to Eastport Opening
 - b. Villages Regatta- Postponed until Eastport Opening
 - c. Long Term Planning

Close

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 PM