

Grand Masters Dragon Boat Club
General Meeting Minutes – November 11, 2025

Taco Tuesday!

1. Blackhearts hosted Taco Tuesday for the club
 - a. Thank you to the Blackhearts for the wonderfully planned event

Opening:

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:30 pm
 - a. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Vice-President Linda Braun
2. Participants
 - a. 107 attendees were present

Secretary Report:

1. Previous general meeting minutes from October were posted to the website
 - a. No updates were received
 - b. Motion to approve minutes by Rita Girou with 2nd by Rae Ann Bethel passed unanimously.

Treasurer Report:

1. Budget and Treasury balance discussion
 - a. Current financial report was reviewed
 - b. 2025 member count stands at 436
 - c. Annual federal taxes have been filed
 - d. Motion to approve report by Bill Johnson with 2nd by Lori McGuire passed unanimously.

President Report:

1. Deferred

Vice President Report:

1. Change of Rule request (P4, sec 4.2).
 - a. Request submitted to allow non-GMDBC paddlers in races where no other GMDBC team is competing was approved by club vote; 102 ayes, 30 nays, 3 abstains
2. Race Coordinator Role
 - a. Per club vote this Role will be removed; 124 ayes, 5 nays, 5 abstain
3. Silver Trefoil PJ and Book Drive – RaeAnn Bethel
 - a. Rae Ann Bethel reported on the drive; requesting donations of new PJs, books and cash to support local needy children
 - i. 10,000 – 25,000 children in our area are in need
 - ii. These PJs and books are often the only gift the children receive for Christmas
 - b. All proceeds go directly to the program; there are NO administrative expenses

4. Food drive
 - a. Thank you to all who brought food items and donated cash/checks
 - b. John Townley will deliver the items
5. Future General Meetings
 - a. Meetings are scheduled for January, April, May, October and November of 2026
 - b. Teams are encouraged to plan an event for the months not already booked
 - i. Silver Dragons will host a Soup Social in February

Old Business

1. No update

New Business

1. No update

Tabled Items

1. Senior C Invitational Event Proposal – Postponed to Eastport Opening
2. Villages Regatta- Postponed until Eastport Opening
3. Long Term Planning

Close

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM