

Board Meeting June 8, 2026

Attendance:

President		Vice President	Linda Braun
Treasurer	Steve Augustine	Secretary	Laura Reynolds
Captains:			
Blackhearts	Bill Clark	Silver Dragons	John Townley
Dirty Dozen	Steve Printz	Sunset Island Dragons	Bill Clark
Eastport Sun Dragons	Gail Long	This Boat Rocks	Linda Braun
Leatherneck Warriors		Village Dragons	
Paddling Patriots	Dave Bethel		
Other Attendees:			
Maintenance – Frank Lupoli		Leatherneck – Matt Weinstein	
Membership – Karen Ness		Village Dragon – Laura Reynolds	
Web Site Coordinator – Rich Einhorn			

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

Secretary's Report:

1. May board meeting minutes were previously sent out via e-mail.
 - a. A motion to approve the minutes by John, seconded by Steve P., passed unanimously
2. Elections for Vice President and Treasurer are complete
 - a. VP: Linda Braun – 177 yes, 3 no, 3 abstain
 - b. Treasurer: Rich Einhorn – 174 yes, 4 no, 3 abstain
 - c. Bylaw updates: 173 yes, 7 no, 3 abstain
3. Updated GMDBC brochures were provided to captains and are also available at Olympia Rec Center

Treasurer's Report:

1. May financial report was reviewed.
 - a. Member count stands at 420
 - b. A motion to approve the report by Steve P., seconded by John, passed unanimously
2. Storage Unit has been cleaned out and shut down
 - a. items are now located at Eastport boat house
3. Budget Meeting to be scheduled
 - a. Fair share reimbursements will be discussed
4. New Steers available
 - a. Web site will be updated as to their availability
 - b. Recommended that and experienced steer be on board with new steers
5. As of July 1, membership for 2026 is \$10
 - a. Please ensure that membership date on waiver and payment amount aligns correctly

President's Report: updates provided by VP Linda Braun

1. Thanks to Steve A. for his Treasurer service
2. Request to add \$750 budget item for dinners and such
 - a. Recommended that this request be discussed during the budget meeting
3. Lake Sumter mat/sand erosion issue
 - a. Safety cones were placed by the Villages ; continue to be aware
4. Purchase of 2-wheel dollies for Lake Sumter
 - a. Current sand status at Lake Sumter indicates that this would not be helpful at this time
5. Request for more and/or larger cleats for Eastport has been submitted
 - a. Boats are getting scratched by the dock
 - b. Suggestion made to install permanent bumpers along the dock
6. The Villages video featuring dragon boating is to be released by V-mail on June 19
7. 2nd Vice President position has been approved by club vote
 - a. Linda will send email to all club members
 - b. All bios/resumes for nominees be sent to Cheryl by 6/18
 - c. Cheryl will send out information for review and vote on 6/20
 - d. Board members will vote by 9:00 am via email to Laura (Secretary) on 6/25.
 - e. On June 26, Laura will announce the 2nd VP and send thank you to all candidates

Vice-President's Report:

1. Safety Matters
 - a. CERT class is scheduled for August;
 - i. link has been sent to club members via Email for registration
2. Requested that Sgt Dodge present at the October Safety Meeting
3. Construction along Lake Sumter shore has made the red house unavailable as emergency landing spot
 - a. Concerns raised regarding how to get an injured person out of the boat
 - b. Suggestion that EMT may participate in a "dry run"
 - c. Steve P and Joe Harten will follow up with Emergency rescue to get more information

Boat Maintenance:

1. Boat Task Force Report
 - a. Split oars will be addressed
 - i. Oars should be placed on top of seats, not under
 - ii. Spares are available at Eastport boat house
 - b. Cracks in boat gel coats will be addressed

Old Business

1. Rodeo
 - a. Plan has been presented to the Villages; awaiting next steps
 - i. Kudos to Rich for his presentation
 - b. Tentative Rodeo date is Nov 14 at Central Lake
2. Storage Unit
 - a. Bill moved equipment to Eastport

- b. Steve A. cleaned and emptied storage unit
 - c. Contract with storage unit has been closed
3. Historian
 - a. Village Dragons has taken ownership
4. Camp Villages
 - a. Volunteers for June are all set
 - b. More information to participants will be coming from Linda
5. QR codes for website completed
 - a. business cards provided to all board members
 - b. Thank you Eastport Sun Dragons!

New Business:

1. New paddlers interested in racing
 - a. Silver Dragons, Eastport, Warriors and Blackheart are willing to take on new members
 - b. New paddlers will be directed to the web site to determine best fit
2. Team Snap Roster updates
 - a. All incomplete paddler information must be updated in team snap
 - b. All personal information included in waiver must be in team snap
3. Discussion of possible addition of GMDBC website vendor;
 - a. mock up of website at <https://dragon-master swag.checkoutstores.com>
 - b. Review email from Linda to consider viability of adding this “storefront” to the GMDBC website
 - c. Also consider relationship with Custom Apparel

Future General Meeting Schedules

1. June – room cancelled
2. July – room to be cancelled
3. August 11 – CERT Training
4. September – TBD
5. October- Safety Meeting – Linda B
6. November- Taco Tuesday – Eastport
7. December –Blackhearts has requested the room

Tabled Items:

1. Code of Conduct – moved to September
2. Fall Steering Clinic
 - a. Village Dragons Jane
 - b. Need a sponsor

Close

The meeting was adjourned at 2:10 PM

Next Board Meeting will be 1:00 PM, July 13th at Canal St Rec Center

Next General Meeting will be 6:30 PM, August 11th at Sea Breeze Rec Center (CERT only)