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MINUTES OF E-Board MEETING
6 October 2011

PRESENT:

Commander: **Cmdr Raymond W. Tilton, AP**
Executive Officer: **Lt/C Robert C. Saint Fournier, P** (absent)
Administrative Officer: **Lt/C Jack Reed, P**
Educational Officer: **Lt/C Edward G. Walsh, SN**
Secretary: **Lt/C Mike Madison, AP**
Treasurer: **Lt/C John A. Hagar, AP**

Alex Arcisz, District Commander
Dick Salter
James Curran

Ron Mason
William Ghin
Walter Riley (absent)

Location: Ward Room, Jubilee Yacht Club.

Meeting called to order at 1901 hours.

No Roll Call; attendance recorded by Secretary Madison; 10 members in attendance; quorum of the Executive Committee achieved.

Moment of Silence was conducted to honor our men and women in uniform.

The Minutes of the last meeting were not read; they are posted on the Squadron Website. The motion to approve the minutes was approved.

COMMANDER'S OPENING COMMENTS:

- It was decided that flowers would be sent to Carol Quinn LeBrun in memory of her husband Francis and John Graves in memory of his wife Joanne.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

Treasurer Lt/C John Hagar, AP:

- As of 6 October 11 there is \$ 2,896.82 in the checking account.
- The Fidelity fund is worth \$20,100.
- It was noted that the 990 Form is processed each year.
- Lt/C Hagar suggested that a group of 3 members should review the types of funds the Squadron invests in.
- We broke even on the Squadron Picnic and there are no plans to raise the ticket price.

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- The District Commander requested that the Squadron pay \$200 – its share – of the funds required to train the new On the Water Trainer. Motion approved.
- Finally, the Squadron Commander praised John Hagar for his superb, long term stewardship as the Squadron's treasurer.

Executive Officer Lt/C Robert Saint Fournier, P: No report.

Education Officer Ed Walsh, SN:

- Lt/C Walsh noted that all members that required a particular member course had been contacted by email.
- There is a nation-wide problem with obtaining course material in a timely fashion
- There is no date to start the ABC Course – we are awaiting course material. It is planned to start in February in Hamilton.
- We are also looking into running courses at Bass Haven.

Administrative Officer Lt/C Jack Reed, P:

- Lt/C Reed reported that we have speakers on line for the next two Member Meetings.
- Over the last 15 months we lost 20 members.
- The speaker at the District Conference will be the renowned wooden boat builder Harold Burnham.
- We need volunteers for the General Meeting Dinners
- It was suggested that we send a Letter of Appreciation to Danvers Port Yacht Club for allowing us to conduct our Annual Picnic on their premises. (Secretary Madison will prepare the letter.)
- There was a discussion about what amount of money we should pay speakers. It was determined to leave the current policy in place.
- Lt/C Reed will investigate if the Squadron could use Face Book to advertise.
- It was noted that between 12 -15 new internet members have demonstrated interest in joining the Squadron. We are not sure about their status.

District Notes: Commander Arcisz, JN

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- The District Conference scheduled for 12 November will be held at the Jubilee Yacht Club.
- Beverly has the responsibility of preparing breakfast and lunch for the Conference. Commander Arcisz mentioned that he was looking into ways to organize courses at the District level.

Vessel Safety Checks: (VSC)

- Jim Curran reported that – due to unusually raining weather at the beginning of the season - VSC were down from the number reported last year.
- Mike Madison suggested that next year we start contacting marinas earlier.

New Business:

- All Merit Marks were reviewed and updated.
- It was noted that Karen Arcisz needs much more material and articles to publish in *Hanna's Banner*.
- 25 Year Pins will be presented at the District Conference (12 November).
- The next Membership Meeting is Thursday, 3 November 11.
- The next E-Board Meeting is Thursday, 1 December 11 .

Meeting adjourned at 2107 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike Madison
SquadronSecretary

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