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MINUTES OF E-Board MEETING

December 2, 2010

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PRESENT:

Commander: Cmdr Raymond W. Tilton, AP

Executive Officer: Lt/C Carol Quinn-LeBrun, S (unable to attend)

Administrative Officer:

Educational Officer:

Secretary:

Lt/C Robert C. Sant Fournier, P

Lt/C Edward G. Walsh, SN

Lt/C Edward S. Bell, S

Lt/C John A. Hagar, AP

Bill Ghen Mike Madison James Curran Walter Riley

Meeting held in the Ward Room of Jubilee Yacht Club and called to order by **Commander Tilton** at 19:04.

No Roll Call; attendance recorded by Secretary Ed Bell; 9 members in attendance; quorum of the Executive Committee achieved.

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

Reading of the Minutes was conducted by Secretary Ed Bell and have been posted on the website.

OFFICERS' REPORTS

Treasurer Lt/C John Hagar, AP:

- o Financial statement from checking account totaled around \$3,178 with most expenses related to educational material. Our net financials for the year is approximately \$1,200 to \$1,300 loss meaning that our expenses surpassed our revenue by that amount.
- Lt/C Hagar will get a recommendation from Fidelity on reducing the risk of our portfolio, validate it, and then execute it.

Education Officer Ed Walsh, SN:

The Marine Communication course has been underway since November 10 and finishes January 12. Lt/C Ed Walsh and Dick Salter have been teaching the highly interested students. Piloting, being taught by Jack Reed, will start on January 10th and Seamanship will begin on January 19th and will be instructed by Robert Sant Fournier.

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- o National's cooperative advertising funds has been stopped effective September 30 as the popularity of the advertising incentive exceeded the available funding.
- o A special education awareness meeting was held on October 27th and a series of ideas were addressed and reviewed with the E-Board. The ideas that were approved are:
 - The Beverly Squadron will pay for the first year membership of new members when they sign-up and pay for their first course
 - o The Commander of the Beverly Squadron will attend the final class of every Boating Safety (ABC) course and have US Power Squadron applications available. Also, the Membership Chair will attend and help correct the tests
 - Consideration of having monthly General Meetings, instead of bi-monthly, will be reviewed at the next General Meeting along with a review of topics the members would be interested in
 - The potential of offering seminars, in public facilities, is under review by Lt/C
 Ed Walsh
 - o In preparation of the upcoming Boat Show, a pyramid of courses was created by **Lt/C Ed Bell** to assist existing and potential members of the suggested educational progression with the Power Squadron (see attached).

Administrative Officer Lt/C Robert C. Sant Fournier, P:

- Captain Bill Lee will be our speaker for the January General meeting. Captain Bill Lee, of the vessel "Ocean Reporter," will speak on underwater research and will be showing us photographs of underwater sites of interest in the Massachusetts Bay area. As is normally the case, anyone interested in helping with the supper arrangements can contact Lt/C Robert C. Sant Fournier.
- o Ideas for future meeting included an open forum where anyone would be allowed to address "things of interest" for the group. Also, a suggestion for a pot luck dinner was supported by all attendees.
- \circ The March General Meeting will be moved from March 3^{rd} to March 10^{th} .

Other Topics:

- o The October District meeting was held on October 23rd and had over 100 attendees. A variety of topics were discussed included advancement with inflatable life vests.
- o Merit Marks were approved and all recipients should have received them by now. Thanks for all of your efforts coordinating these recognitions **Karen Arcisz**.
- The New England Boat Show is scheduled from February 26 through March 6. Similar to last year, the US Power Squadron will have a booth and we'll provide coverage on the final day. If you're interested in participating, please contact Jim Curran or John Graves.

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O The next General Meeting will be held on January 6th at 18:30 at the Jubilee Yacht Club and the next E-Board will be held on February 3rd, also at the Jubilee Yacht Club. The March General Meeting will be pushed back one week to March 10th.

Meeting adjourned at 21:30.

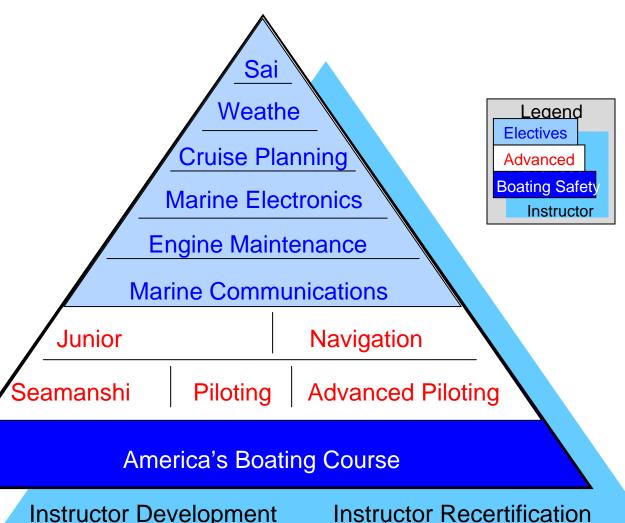
Respectfully Submitted,

Edward Bell Secretary, Beverly Sail & Power Squadron

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US Power Squadron Education Pyramid



Instructor Development