Beverly Sail and Power Squadron

Beverly, Massachusetts 01915

A Unit of the United States Power Squadron Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting 5 April 2012.

Bridge Members Present:

Commander: Cmdr. Robere C. Saint Fournier, AP Executive Officer: Lt/C Jack Reed - unable to attend

Administrative Officer: Lt/C Alan Therrien, JN Education Officer: Lt/C Edward G. Walsh, SN

Secretary: Lt/C vacant

Treasurer: Lt/C John A. Hagar, AP

Commander's Comments, Robere Saint Fournier, AP

- Meeting called to order at 1903 hours.
- A moment of Silence was observed for our troops and deceased members.
- A motion was made and approved to accept the minutes of the last E-Board meeting.
- The Commander noted that we now have a vacancy at the secretary position, as well as several key committee positions.
- The Commander solicited all members present to think of ways to make membership in the squadron more enjoyable, which would naturally lead to greater participation and volunteerism.
- Suggestions were discussed that would limit the time allotted to speakers at the General meetings.
- Discussion of methods to increase member recruitment from ABC classes.
- Discussion of ways to publicize the squadron's ABC courses and other squadron activities.
- Ray Tilton spoke about his contacts with Salem, Gloucester, and other area news outlets, as well as the possibility of getting advertising space in Points East magazine.
 Ray Tilton also suggested that some form of commendation letter or plaque be prepared for the Bass Haven YC for their assistance to the squadron.

Executive Officer's Report, Lt/C Jack Reed, AP

• unable to attend.

Administrative Officer, Lt/C Alan Therrien, JN

- Meeting rooms were scheduled for the remainder of the calendar year 2012 at Jubilee Yacht Club. E-Board meetings will be held in the Sandy Point room on Wed Jun 6, Thurs Oct 4, and Thurs Dec 6. General meetings will be held upstairs on Thurs May 3, Wed Sept 5, and Thurs Nov 1.
- Jack Reed has already scheduled a speaker for the May meeting. Alan will coordinate with Jack. Alan & Suzanne Therrien will prepare the meal for the May meeting.

Treasurer's Report, Lt/C John Hagar, AP

- Checking account: approximately \$2,386.00
- Fidelity account: approximately \$23,000.00
- Request made to schedule the April audit, as well as appointment of an alternate treasurer.
- Reminder was tendered to file the appropriate IRS Form for designation of the squadron as a charitable organization.

Education Officer, Lt/C Edward Walsh, SN

- Ed Walsh reported that the ABC courses in Beverly, Gloucester, and Wenham have been completed, and a course is scheduled to begin May 1 in Rockport.
- Ed Walsh also reported that five people successfully completed the AP course offered in Beverly.
- Discussion of the difficulty presented by the HQ800 computer system clarified that class and student information can only be entered before completion of the course. Assistant Education Officer Walter Riley offered to assist with determining ways to update information from past classes.

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Vessel Safety Checks (VSC), Walter Riley, JN

- No one has received communication from Gloucester Coast Guard Station regarding the dates of the Gloucester Safety Day, or participation of the Beverly Squadron.
- VCS will participate in the May Coast Guard Safety Day w when we receive the dates.
- The Beverly Harbormaster plans to have a Safety Day in June.
- Some of the members of the vessel safety team will be getting re-certified.

Secretary, - vacant

Meeting was adjourned at 2109 hours.
Respectfully Submitted,
Lt/C Alan Therrien, JN
Administrative Officer, Beverly Sail and Power Squadron