Minutes of the E-Board Meeting

Beverly - Marblehead Sail & Power Squadron

June 7, 2017

Attending: Alex Pszenny, Bill Bonner, Ted Nigro, Dale Smith, Bill Ghen,

Walter Riley, Dave Graham, Ray Tilton, Paul Ryan

Ray Tilton, AO, took notes

Meeting called to order by Cmdr Pszenny at 7:08 PM

Moment of Silence for troops in harm's way

Minutes of April E-Board meeting read by Ray; accepted by board

Recruitment and retention – Alex: News good, up by several new members, most from Piloting class

Seeking donations/contributions: Paul Ryan:

Paul would like to have a line item in the financial report "for receiving donations raising money to support the great work the squadron does educating boaters." He was impressed with the recent Piloting class that he took. He asked if the squadron could be a supporter of the schooner Adventure. Alex asked if we should solicit donations to help pay for our educational services, eg., lower cost of courses, provide event subsidies. Ted cautioned about IRS issues of funds being used to benefit members. Dave suggested making it known to membership that squadron accepts donations.

Treasurer's report: Dale Smith: National Grand Bank: \$3427.42,

Fidelity: \$50,679.93. Details were submitted for fiscal year-to-date operating results. Dave suggested that report include a look back of 6 and 12 months for Fidelity account.

Annual Picnic; Ray, chairman: John Hagar has scheduled Danversport Yacht Club, August 7th, 5-8 PM. Contact them morning of 7th for set up. DYS cost = \$95. Bill Ghen will pick up corn. Robere was elected to get lobsters. Jack Reed and Ray Tilton elected to pick up other items such as burgers, paper goods, etc. Price of tickets was discussed but not decided. Bill Bonner volunteered to receive responses (checks or cash) and take reservations. Said OK to his phone number and email address to be published in Hannah's Banner.

Adventure Cruise: Dave Graham: Friday, August 18th, 4-7 PM. Charter fee \$1250 down, \$1250 later. Charge \$30 pp, Subsidize \$18 pp if full at 60 passengers. Open first to squadron only; to friends and District 12 on Aug. 1st. Also, open to everyone initially was discussed. Dave Graham will send invitations and track/receive responses. Dave will send details for Hannah's banner to Ray.

Website: being revamped. Friend of Alex is assisting. Dale would like to have a replacement for either webmaster or treasurer position, which he holds both. Ray is retiring as editor of Hannah's Banner. Openings will be announced in the Banner. Discussion was held on how to communicate to members in lieu of Banner. May have to rely on email only, which leaves 40-45 members with no news.

SEO Report – Walter Riley: Starting June 10th, Skip Whittaker will run an ABC course on two weekends for junior boaters. Fee \$60. Jack Reed would like to do the same at Sandy Bay YC in Rockport. Dates TBA. Alex and Robere plan to do a fall ABC course at Winter Island. Fee \$60.

An Advanced Piloting course was proposed for the fall. Jack Reed instructor. Cost \$99. Discount for members and JYC members.

XO report – Ted Nigro announced that NOAA paper charts no longer being printed.

Hannah's Banner to include District 12 events, Commander's notes, picnic info, Adventure info, SEO, VSC, Harborfest info, job openings and NOAA chart info.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.