

**ABCGL Executive Board  
Minutes  
GLA Building**

**April 16, 2019  
Time: 1302 hours  
Adjourned: 1540 hours**

Call to order: Cmdr. Kevin Kamrath  
Secretary: Lt Micki Kamrath  
Quorum: Verified by secretary Micki Kamrath

**Motions:**

- Motion: by Lynda Watson and seconded by Mary Alice Moore to accept the March minutes. Accepted.
- Motion: by Bob Russell and seconded by Tom Pinkley to approve accepting Chuck and Vicki Fellhaur as new members. Accepted.
- Motion: by Tom Pinkley and seconded by Michelle Hooperto officially change our name to America's Boating Club – Grand Lake. Our legal "business" name will continue to be Grand Lake Sail & Power Squadron and papers will be filed with the state that we will be "doing business as" (dba) America's Boating Club – Grand Lake and Grand Lake Boating Club. Accepted.
- Motion: by Lynda Watson and seconded by Tom Pinkley to adjourn at 1540 hours. Accepted.

**BRIDGE AND BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Cmdr. Kevin Kamrath, Lt/C Scott Graves, Lt/C Michelle Hooper, Lt/C Bob Russell, 1<sup>st</sup> Lt Roger Zinn, Lt/C Lynda Watson, P/C Bruce Watson, P/C Ken Moore, Lt Mary Alice Moore, Tom Pinkley, and Lt Micki Kamrath.

**Guests present:** Sue Brant

Cmdr. Kamrath called the meeting to order at 1302 hours.

Motion to accept March minutes was made by Lynda Watson and seconded by Mary Alice Moore. Motion approved.

- Cmdr. Kamrath thanked Don and Carole Chalupnik for their assistance in providing the lunches for the ABC classes. He also thanked Carl Wotowis and Ken Moore for their work on the fishing instructions.

- Cmdr. Kamrath gave a summary of the highlights from the D30 Spring Meeting in Pella, IA.
  - Grand Lake was represented by Kevin and Micki Kamrath, Bob and Renae Russell, and Earl and Arlene Starkman.
  - The meeting was hosted by the Des Moines Squadron and chaired by D/C Kent Simpson. R/C Mike Skelly represented national.
  - District 30 is comprised of 341 members and 336 members were retained in 2018 for a 97% retention. Total members for each squadron is Grand Lake (116), Colorado (91), St. Louis (43), Des Moines (39), Four Rivers (34), Kansas City (9), and Waterloo (4).
  - Handouts were distributed from District 10 on an Electric Shock Drowning initiative. Commander Kamrath will follow-up with Ed Ferguson from GRDA to see if they already have information on this topic or if they would be interested in obtaining this type of handout from District 10.
  - There are 347 squadrons with 140 not yet using the ABC Logo on their websites and 198 in their newsletter.
  - This will be the last year of the Youth Poster Contest. The theme is “America’s Boating Club Saves Lives,” illustrating how safe boating through education, on the water skills, and proper use of equipment saves lives. It was recommended that squadrons contact their local school districts to see if some of the art classes would make posters. Since the Grove School District’s school year ends in mid-May there is not enough time left to organize this effort. If individual members would like to task their families to make posters, they are due to Rosemary Bialeke, D30 Administrative Officer, by June 15, for voting on July 1. District 30 will submit the best ones to Fall Governing Board by September 12.
  - USPS filed MOUs in every state with the Boating Safety Officer to help specify how USPS and the state will work together in promoting boating safety. Links are available on USP Public Affairs Page.
  - Suggestions were made for VSCs at Canoe and Paddle Board Rental locations.
  - By the end of 2019 all squadron logos should be transitioned to America’s Boating Club logo. It is recommended that squadrons file a DBA with your state to add America’s Boating Club their incorporated name. We will also apply to use Grand Lake Boating Club so that we can hold this name before anyone else takes it.
    - Motion by Tom Pinkley and seconded by Michelle Hooper to officially change our name to America’s Boating Club – Grand Lake. Our legal “business” name will continue to be Grand Lake Sail & Power Squadron and papers will be filed with the state that we will be “doing business as” (dba) America’s Boating Club – Grand Lake and Grand Lake Boating Club. Motion passed.
- Grand Lake received several recognitions:
  - Honorable Mention for Membership Growth & Retention (2.7%)

- Educational Fund Certificate of Merit
- Distinctive Performance for Website and Publications
- Individual Certificates of Appreciation
  - Don Chalupnik, P
  - Ken Moore, P
  - Bruce Watson, P
  - Lynda Watson, P
- Cmdr. Kamrath discussed that District 30 will be changing their name to America's Boating Club (Heartland Region, Mid America, or other suggestions?) Consensus with our eBoard was that Heartland Region was good.

**Membership concerns:**

- Bill Miller will be having knee surgery.
- David Crump from the Sports Center lost his home in a fire. Ken Moore will announce at Dinner Meeting that if anyone is interested in making a donation, there is a Go Fund Me Page and Sports Center and Honey Creek Outdoors are selling raffle tickets with proceeds to go to David.

**Rules Committee Report– Sue Brandt**

- Sue Brandt distributed copies of the P&P Manual as well as the sections from the Bylaws dealing with Electronic Communications. E-Board members are asked to review policies and submit any recommended changes.
  - Word document will be posted on the member section of the website for access.
  - Lynda Watson volunteered to receive the changes and compile them for discussion at the May E-Board meeting.

**Nominating Committee Report:**

- Bruce Watson reported that we are struggling to find people to fill the bridge positions next year. Please talk to members about volunteering. Slate needs to be completed by October 4, six weeks before COW.

**Auditing Committee Report:**No report

**Treasurer's Report:**

- There is \$15083.36 in our account.

**Executive Officer – Scott Graves**

- GLOC will be held 7/24/19. Brock Sutherland will attend May E-Board meeting to discuss volunteer opportunities. We will assess if there is a fit for our squadron to participate.

- We will need to distribute sign up sheets at the Dinner Meeting to get volunteers to assist at Toes in the Grand on 5/31 and 6/1 as well as Camp Bandage on June 8.
- It was suggested that we have our next Poker Run on Friday, 9/6.

### **Safety Officer**

- Safe Boating Week will be May 18-24.
- Safe Boating Proclamation will be at 6 pm on May 7 at Community Center. Members will attend wearing their life jackets.

**Life Jackets:** No report

**VSC:**No report

### **Ship's Store**

- Lynda Watson will have ABC stickers on display at the April Dinner Meeting.

### **Environmental Committee**

- Adopt a Shoreline Zone 7 will be cancelled because the shoreline is clean.
- ABCGL will probably only man two dumpsters at Bernice and Grove Springs at Lend a Hand to Lady Grand.

**PR Committee:** No report

### **Education Officer**– Bob Russell

- There will be a Partners in Command class on Monday, May 6 from 1:30-4:00 pm taught by Sharon Dennis. Cost will be \$15 pp. Class will be open to public.
- 6 instructors were recertified.
- There was discussion about cancelling the June 1 ABC class. It was suggested that we have a class sign-up sheet at Toes in the Grand and determine if there is a need to have a class in June.

### **Administrative Officer** – Michelle Hooper

- The May Dinner Meeting will be at Shebang's. There will be a choice of pork or chicken for \$20 as well as a cash bar.
- Summer activities will be determined depending on members who volunteer to host Dock Parties, 4<sup>th</sup> of July BBQ, Ice Cream Social, etc.

### **Membership Committee** – Mary Alice Moore

- Following up with 3 households and ABC class attendees.
- Revising new member folder documents

- There was discussion regarding having a fundraising raffle of a quilt (boat blanket) that would be created by some of squadron quilters. Research will be done to determine cost and logistics.

**Secretary Report:** No report

**Old Business:**

- Water resistant zipper pouches were assessed for use with our Jump Start marketing program targeting new boat owners. Arrowhead, Indian Hills, South Winds, and Grove Marine expressed interest in participating. We will start out by giving each marina 10 pouches with our business card, trifold, and \$5 coupon off a Boat Handling class. Other items to put in the pouch will be determined. We will order 4 12-packs of the pouches to trial.
- ABCGL will host the D30 Fall Meeting on October 4 & 5. We have reserved Eagle's Landing for a Friday evening happy hour with pot luck appetizers so that our members are able to attend. We will have business meeting on Saturday morning followed by a box lunch. Afternoon activities will hopefully include boat rides on lake, if weather cooperates. Guests can also visit other area sites such as Pensacola Dam, Har-Ber Village, Casinos, or Antiques Shops. We will then go out for dinner. We will check with the Elson's to see if they would be interested in having the dinner at Indian Grills. Otherwise, Honey Creek BBQ or Parrot may be options.

**New Business:**

- We will design an ABCGL ad to put in the Grand Lake Visitor's Map. The map will be in circulation for at least a year and will have a circulation of 10,000. The \$279 cost will be taken from the Publicity Budget under Executive Officer.

**Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn was made by Lynda Watson and seconded by Tom Pinkley. Adjourned at 1540 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,

Micki Kamrath  
Secretary