

ABC-GL Executive Board  
Minutes  
Zoom

May 19, 2020  
Time: 1308 hours  
Adjourned: 1408 hours

Call to Order: Cdr Mary Alice Moore  
Secretary: Lt/C Micki Kamrath  
Quorum: Verified by Secretary Micki Kamrath

### **Motions**

- Minutes approved as printed by general consent.
- Meeting adjourned at 1408 by general consent.

**Bridge and board members present:** Cdr Mary Alice Moore, Sandy Hendrickson, Bob Russell, Micki Kamrath, Lynda Watson, Julie Jones, P/C Kevin Kamrath, Arlene Starkman, and Steve Snyder.

**Guests present:** Sue Brandt, Earl Starkman, and P/D/C Bill Miller.

Cdr Moore called the meeting to order at 1308 hours.

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Cdr Moore welcomed everyone to our first online Zoom E-Board meeting.

- Cdr Moore commented that our agenda will be an event-driven discussion since our activities have been on hold since March.
- As the state starts to reopen, we are still practicing social distancing. The results of a membership survey to which 40 people responded showed that 80% of the membership would not be comfortable attending dinner meetings yet.
- Right now, we have 8 child and 22 youth life jackets for our give away programs. Walmart thinks that it is unlikely that we will receive any more this year.

### **Safety Officer/VSE:**

- The Safe Boating Proclamation will be given by Mayor Trumbull at the City of Grove Council meeting tonight. The meeting can be heard on KGVE radio and via Zoom at 6 pm.
- Ed Dennis is going to order the vessel safety inspector life jackets with the money from the Rotary Grant. Treasurer Lynda Watson will transfer the money from the grant into their account for payment.
- There have been some individual vessel safety inspections done. Plans are being made for some marina and homeowner association events to be held with appropriate social distancing and cleaning standards implemented.

### **Loaner Life Jacket Stations:**

- From ABC Chief Commander: “Life Jacket Loaner Programs UPDATE:  
Stop Order “Membership Is Job One” includes the care and well-being of our member volunteers. COVID-19 concerns continue as experts increase knowledge of the virus daily. Our member volunteers may be inadvertently placing themselves in harm’s way when attempting to sanitize or handle life jackets worn by others from the public. After consulting with the National Law Committee, we are asking that this service stop until further notice. It poses a potential health and

insurance liability risk that we do not want our member volunteers to take. We want everyone to stay safe and healthy. Please be advised the SeaTow Foundation notified their program participants on March 31 that all their Life Jacket Loaner Stations should be taken out of service during the pandemic. Additionally, they suggested removing and storing the life jackets. We support local/state/other stay-at-home directives which take precedence to completing this voluntary work.”

- Ed Ferguson has filed this directive and supports it.

#### **Grand Lake Visitor’s Center Summer Weekend Staffing**

- GLA is waiting to hear from the governor’s office regarding a June 1 directive for when they can reopen and the requirements for social distancing.
- We will then poll our members to see if some are willing to volunteer to work summer weekends.

#### **Grove Chamber of Commerce Toes in the Grand Booth (June 12-14)**

- The Grove City Council will vote tonight at the City Council meeting whether this event will take place.
- The consensus of the E-Board was that since we are not having classes or club activities it would not be beneficial for us to have a booth this year.

#### **ABC-GL July 4<sup>th</sup> Picnic**

- Julie and Roger Jones are agreeable to host the picnic in their yard.
- We will vote next month after we see how the pandemic is progressing so when can assess whether it is safe to hold a large gathering.

#### **Summer Club Activities**

- On-the-Water – Sandy Hendrickson and Kevin Kamrath will work on setting up a Boat Float in June where we can maintain social distancing and still meet together on the water followed by a get together at Wolf Creek or Grill at Indian Hills.
- Ice Cream Social – It was determined that it is not safe at this time to schedule this event, but we will reevaluate at a later date.

#### **Camp Bandage (September)**

- At this point, we may not have any life jackets to distribute. If we do get them, is it too late in the year to give them away or better to save them for next year? Ed Ferguson is agreeable to whatever we decide.
- We would still apply for the GRDA grant next year and adjust the amount based on what we used from the grant this year.
- Lynda Watson suggested that we order a scale for weighing the children in order to fit them appropriately for a life jacket. She found a compact scale that costs \$20. We will evaluate this at a later meeting when we resume our life jacket program.

#### **Treasurer – Lynda Watson**

- There is a new option for expense reimbursement that can go directly into your checking account rather than being sent by mail. You will be directed directly to a secure link at the bank to enter your routing information. Lynda will add this option to the expense report.
- We voted at the last meeting in February to join the Chamber of Commerce. We should invite Donnie Crane to our June meeting to discuss the benefits.

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

- There are online classes available on ABC website. Chuck Fellhauer passed the Piloting Exam following the self-study course and has just received the exam for the Advanced Piloting class too. David Sloan was available for questions.

- There are other self-study programs available. Bob will research how we could advertise the availability of these programs.

**New Business:**

- P/D/C Bill Miller attended the national meeting in Florida but indicated that there were no major items to highlight due to the changes to which COVID-19 has required all the boating clubs across the country to respond.
- It was suggested that Cdr Moore send out a message to the squadron with an update on possible activities that may be coming to keep our membership informed and engaged in ABC-GL.

**Adjournment:**

- Adjournment was approved by general consent at 1408.

Respectfully submitted,

Micki Kamrath  
Secretary