

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

### Motions

- September 14, 2021 Minutes approved as printed by general consent.
- Motion: by Tom Pinley and seconded by Kevin Kamrath that we do not have a November Dinner meeting. Motion accepted.
- Motion: by Lynda Watson and seconded by Chuck Brandt that we send out an email to members today asking for recommendations of local charities to support. Motion accepted.
- Meeting adjourned at 1442 by general consent.

**Bridge and Board Members Present:** Cdr Mary Alice Moore, Vicki Fellhauer, Chuck Brandt, Chuck Fellhauer, Micki Kamrath, Lynda Watson, P/C Kevin Kamrath, Tom Pinkley, and Mark Lindahl.

**Guests present:** Bob Russell, Pat Janiga, Sue Brandt, P/D/C Bill Miller, Peggy Miller, P/D/C Larry Stout, P/C Bob Hunt, Mary Ann Stout, Arlene Starkman, Frank Janiga, and Carol Grassi.

Cdr Moore called the meeting to order at 1307 hours.

Minutes approved as printed by general consent.

### Opening Comments:

- Cdr Moore and Lynda Watson attended the D30 Council Meeting via Zoom.
  - D30 has a budget shortfall due to delays in moving their investment money into the operating budget.
  - In 3-4 years, ABC is planning to move toward regions instead of districts.
  - There have been discussions about providing more boating education for inland boaters.
- At the D30 Annual meeting, the dissolution of ABC-St. Louis was approved. It will not be final until approved by national.
- In lieu of our usual Change of Watch, the torch will be passed from the current Bridge to the Steering Committee at the October 21<sup>st</sup> Dinner Meeting.

### Rules Committee – Sue Brandt

Sue Brandt has completed the update of our Bylaws to the 2021 version and has passed them on the Larry Stout of the Steering Committee, in order to determine who the person at national is that should receive them.

### Auditing Committee – Arlene Starkman

The Auditing Committee examined the financial records from November 1, 2020 through September 30, 2021. It was determined that the revenue and expenses were correct and reasonable. The Audit Report will go the October 21<sup>st</sup> Dinner Meeting for membership approval.

### Treasurer – Lynda Watson

- We have \$14969.41 in our checking account.
  - Income - \$30 from dues

- Expenses - \$863 included \$60 for letters to members, \$750 for September Dinner Meeting, \$50 for rental of the Pavilion for this meeting, and \$3 for bank maintenance fees.
- There is \$678 in Education Budget, \$38 in Raffle Budget, and \$4.85 left from Walmart Grant.

### **Executive Officer**

- Cdr Moore reported that it is time to break down the life jacket stations for the season. Thank you Steve Snyder for your work on this program.
  - There are only 14 life jackets in storage. We had a very successful year distributing life jackets.

### **Education Officer – Chuck Fellhauer**

- There are 8 Seamanship Books in storage that will not be good for classes after 12/31/21. If there is a class before the end of the year, exams must be turned into national for grading before 12/31/21.
- ABC3 education materials will be revised to reflect new regulations. They will be submitted to NASBLA for 3-year approval. Perhaps we can give away some of the expired books at the Boat Show.

### **Administrative Officer – Chuck Brandt**

- 43 members are signed up to attend the October Dinner meeting. The dinner will be held at the Quarterdeck at Tera Miranda starting at 1730. There will be a cash bar and pizza and salad buffet which will be partially funded by the club.
- Tom Pinkley moved and Kevin Kamrath seconded that we do not have a November Dinner meeting. Motion passed.
- Christmas Party will be held at Vista Towers on December 9<sup>th</sup>.
  - We are waiting for a quote from the Blind Swine, which will be dependent on the availability and cost of meat selections.
  - We will give a Shangri-La Spa Gift Certificate to Suzie Keast as thanks for getting this venue with no charge.
  - The Grove High School Jazz Band will not be able to come. It was decided that we would have background Holiday Music playing.
  - There was discussion regarding the selection of a charity choice to which we will donate. Heavenly Angels House and Second Chance were discussed. Lynda Watson moved and Chuck Brandt seconded that we send out an email to members today asking for recommendations of local charities to support. Motion passed. Kevin Kamrath will send out email to members today asking those who are attending the Dinner Meeting on Thursday to bring their suggestions with information about the charity. If they are not attending, they should send their suggestions to Chuck Brandt.
- Membership Report – Lynda Watson
  - We have 97 members. There are 18 members 1 month past due, so that would bring out member number down to 79 members.
  - There are 10 member renewals due in November.

### **Secretary – Micki Kamrath**

- Member Concerns – None noted
- Pelican – Kim will continue doing Pelican under our waiver period. Kim will work with Larry Stout on how to redesign the front page to reflect the Steering Committee in lieu of the Bridge.
- IT – It was discussed that we would change the Bridge Page on the Website and list the Steering Committee names. Larry Stout will be listed as the contact person.

**New Business:**

- The Path Ahead – The Steering Committee Plan
  - Bob Hunt reported that our Waiver request was submitted to District and National. We have signed a Not Withstanding agreement and will operate under our Bylaws for one year. We will move ahead with the plan even before we get formal approval.
  - A survey was distributed to Past Commanders and Current Bridge. High priority activities identified to focus on were In Person Classes, Life Jacket Fitting and Loaner Program, Dinner Meetings, On Water Activities, and Vessel Safety Checks. There will be a similar survey sent out to the whole membership. It will be announced at the Thursday dinner meeting and be send out on Friday.
  - Larry Stout reported it is their goal to be transparent to the entire membership. We need to simplify processes by standardizing things such as having all dinner meetings at the same location and choosing a few caterers to rotate. We hope to get members to volunteer to organize one activity rather than having one person be in charge of all dinners or community activities.

**Adjournment:**

Adjournment was approved by general consent at 1442.

Respectfully submitted,  
Micki Kamrath, Secretary