

ABC-GL Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
March 14, 2023
Grand Lake Visitors Center

CALL TO ORDER: Margaret Miller, Cmdr. at 10:03 am.

- Motion to approve February minutes made by Bob Hunt; second by Larry Stout. Minutes approved.
- Motion to Keep current individual and family membership dues the same was made by Larry Stout and seconded by Harvey Blattner. Motion approved
- Motion to allow current members to take ABC class for no charge made by Arlene Starkman and seconded by Larry Stout. Motion approved
- Motion to adjourn made by Sandy Hendrickson second by Bob Hunt. The meeting adjourned at 12:10 pm.

PRESENT: Margaret Miller, Arlene Starkman, Brenda Murphy (by phone), Bob Hunt, Sandy Hendrickson, Larry Stout. Guests, Bill Miller, Roger Jones and Mary Ann Stout.

QUORUM: Determination of a quorum was achieved.

COMMANDERS REPORT:

We have four new members, Lisa and Jeff Landburg and Marian and Joe McNeill, who will be installed at the April meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Arlene Starkman

February 28, 2023, bank balance is \$12,133.06. Revenue for the month of \$5260.15 included \$5000.00 grant from GRDA. Expenses for the month were \$55.00. Actual balance on March 13, 2023, would be \$8,130.56, as check for \$4,999.50 for life jackets has not yet cleared and deposit of \$500.00 for community service award is not included.

We received a letter from national indicating they were raising individual yearly memberships \$5.00 and family memberships by \$7.50. District indicated they are not raising dues at this time as they would need to amend their bylaws. After discussion, motion to keep current memberships dues the same was made by Larry Stout and seconded by Harvey Blattner. Motion carried. Issue will be revisited next year.

The federal tax return for America's Boating Club-Grand Lake, form 990-N, (e-postcard), was filed on March 13, 2023 and accepted.

Inventory:

Last asset inventory dated 2020 was sent to board members for review and some changes were made. Inventory will be conducted of items in storage when the weather is warmer.

Life Jackets: Roger Jones

Roger thanked Sandy Hendrickson for donating the trailer which was loaded by 7 volunteers and is ready for transport to the Boat Show in Vinita. Julie Jones ordered 303 additional life jackets paid for with funds from the GRDA grant. The work schedule for the boat show was distributed and all positions were filled with additional help needed for tear down on Sunday. Roger mentioned there may be a possibility to obtain another grant from an unnamed source. Cmdr. Margaret Miller thanked Roger for his efforts. It was noted that the Grove rotary sign will be on display at events where we are distributing life jackets, along with other donors.

Vessel Safety Checks:

We currently only have one authorized vessel safety inspector, Mark Hendrickson. We will have a sign up sheet at next dinner meeting to see if anyone is interested in taking the course, which can be done online. New inspectors would need to be observed by a certified instructor before becoming certified.

Awards:

- National award received by squadron for distinctive communications for newsletters and websites. Marge Blattner is our newsletter editor and Kevin Kamrath is our webmaster.
- Marge Blattner sent information to National for the Civic Service Award – ABCGL received honorable mention and award of \$500. Thank you, Marge and Kevin.

Speaker at our April meeting will be Justin Alberty from GRDA and since Bob Hunt is unable to handle May meeting, we will need a speaker.

We have new member packets which were passed to board members for review. At present time we will not be purchasing magnetic name tags for new members but will make tags and supply them to members at each meeting. Name tags will be collected at meetings end.

Reports:

Sandy Hendrickson – Quilt Club received the donated sound system and were very grateful. Susie Fletcher and Sandy Hendrickson donated a beautiful quilt which they both created. It has not yet been best determined how to use this quilt as a fund raiser, i.e., raffle, auction, online sale, etc.

Sidebar: Brenda Murphy shared information on her research into online auctions and the cost per year is \$1200. High end items work best to generate a spark and the company will only work with 501-3C organizations and they will log and track all items. They will not store or deliver items.

Paddle Fish Research Station Tour has been scheduled for April 13 at 1:30 pm, meeting at the facility. Tour accommodates 20 but facility will run two tours if we have more interest, 1:30 and 2:30 pm. It would be good for someone to organize lunch before the tour.

Carol Rice will be chairman for the Visitor's Center Staffing for this summer and will be looking for volunteers.

Brent Mallon is in charge of "Toes in Grand Lake Festival", June 15, 16 and 17 and Cmdr. Margaret has requested a booth. Booth is in the grass and charge is \$50 to \$75 and we will seek to have charge waived.

We will stay with the decision we made at budget time to not renew our Chamber membership or include amount in this year's budget.

Safe Boating Week is in May. Members we will be asked to attend city council meeting wearing life jackets. Date to be determined.

Millers plan a boat rally and pizza party in late August or early September. Date to be determined.

We need to began working on leadership for next year. New bylaws allow for appointment of a nominating committee. If anyone has any suggestions for nominees for any committees or positions will let Cmdr. Margaret know.

Education: Bob Hunt

Bob Hunt plans to hold an ABC class on April 1 and April 8. The class will cost \$25 per person and \$40 for a couple that shares a text. Currently there are only two couples signed up for the class. Bob suggested we make the class available to current members for no charge to encourage participation. Motion to allow current members to take the class for free was made by Arlene Starkman and seconded by Larry Stout. Motion approved.

Motion to adjourn by Sandy Hendrickson and second by Bob Hunt. Meeting adjourned at 12:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Arlene Starkman,
Secretary/Treasurer.