

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

**CALL TO ORDER:** Margaret Miller, Cmdr. at 1:05 pm.

- Motion to approve August minutes made by Brenda Murphy; second by Harvey Blattner. Minutes approved.
- Motion to submit the by-laws with the proposed changes to national was made by Arlene Starkman and seconded by Harvey Blattner. Motion carried.
- Motion to put membership roster on our America's Boating Club Grand Lake's website under password protected "squadron data" was made by Brenda Murphy and seconded by Harvey Blattner. Motion carried.
- Motion to pay \$700 to AOK Storage for the coming year was made by Arlene Starkman and seconded by Brenda. Motion carried.
- Motion was made by Arlene Starkman and seconded by Brenda Murphy to use Piguets Catering for the Change of Watch and the cost will be approximately \$30 per person. Motion carried.
- Motion to adjourn made by Arlene Starkman and seconded by Brenda Murphy. The meeting adjourned at 2:40 pm.

**PRESENT:** Margaret Miller, Arlene Starkman, Brenda Murphy, Harvey Blattner and guest Clayton Hale.

**QUORUM:** Determination of a quorum

**Treasurer's Report:** Arlene Starkman

The treasurer's report was emailed to all eboard members. As of August 31, 2023, we have \$6,727.40. August income was \$508.00 (\$408 in member dues and \$100 from sale of audio equipment). August expenses of \$592.73 (\$110 new member fees, \$200 venue cost for COW and Xmas, \$63.90 Stout party expenses, \$41.88 Quicken software, \$173.95 IT Web hosting and domain).

**Education Report:** no report

**COMMANDERS REPORT:**

Cmdr. Pegy was concerned that current members did not have access to the membership roster. Motion to put membership roster on America's Boating Club Grand Lake's website under password protected "squadron data" was made by Brenda Murphy and seconded by Harvey Blattner. Motion carried.

A recent storm leveled our storage unit at Rockwood Storage and thanks to Peggy and Bill Miller, Bob Hunt, Harvey Blattner, Joe McNeil, Clayton Hale, Arlene Starkman and Jon and Brenda Murphy ABCGL's supplies were salvaged and moved to AOK Storage, owned by member Jerry Ruzicka. Rockwood Storage refunded three months rental, \$135, \$45 x 3, (as we pay for a year in advance for one month discount). Their new rate is \$65 per month. AOK Storage charges \$70 per month or \$700 if you pay the year in advance. Motion to pay \$700 to AOK Storage for the coming year was made by Arlene Starkman and seconded by Brenda. Motion carried.

Peggy obtained five additional keys to the new storage facility in addition to the original lock for a total of six keys. Arlene Starkman was given the keys.

The September dinner meeting at St. Andrews will be September 21 and Clayton Hale will speak about fishing and tournaments. New members to be sworn in at the meeting are David and Sheila Harder, Mark and Linda Holt, Bruce and Diana Undergust and Ed and Kathy Billinger. Members sworn in at the May dinner meeting were Trudy Richardson, Larry and Donna Graves, and Jeff and Lisa Landburg. We will take requests for name tags at the dinner meeting. Bill Miller will greet members and collect money at the September meeting.

The October dinner meeting will be at St. Andrews on October 19 and Doug Anderson will talk about "spam calls" and how to recognize them.

Brenda Murphy and Sandy Hendrickson are planning the COW and the Christmas party. They plan to reinstate the silent auction at the COW. Please save the dates of November 9 for the COW and December 7 for the Christmas party. Both events will be at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church. Motion was made by Arlene Starkman and seconded by Brenda Murphy to use Piguet Catering for the Change of Watch and the cost will be approximately \$30 per person.

The board reviewed the proposed national bylaws. Recommendations were made by Brenda Murphy, and she led the discussion on the proposed changes to National's suggested bylaws. The proposed changes were discussed and will be submitted to National for approval according to their guidelines. If approved by national, new bylaws will be presented to membership for comments and approval. Motion to submit the by-laws with the proposed changes was made by Arlene Starkman and seconded by Harvey Blattner. Motion carried.

Candidates that have accepted nominations for 2023-2024 are Clayton Hale, commander; Brenda Murphy, secretary; Sandy Hendrickson, assistant secretary; and Arlene Starkman, treasurer. The search for an education officer continues and the candidate does not have to be a certified instructor. Executive board members will be Joe McNeil and Peggy Miller and we still need one additional board member.

Clayton will continue to use St. Andrews for ABCGL dinner meetings. In addition to soliciting grants from the Rotary, Boat US and GRDA and Clayton suggested we approach businesses from the river to Jay regarding donations to a life jacket "scholarship" program. He will also contact

Julie Jones to determine if she will chair the Camp Bandage and Toes in the Grand life jacket distributions at these events

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Arlene Starkman and seconded by Brenda Murphy. The meeting adjourned at 2.40 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Arlene Starkman, Secretary/Treasurer.