

SDSPS ExCom Meeting
5 June 2007

Meeting commenced at 19:05. A quorum was present.

Attendees:

Cdr Ted Bowler
ExO Nancy Renzi
AO Mike Collins
SEO Mike Fontaine
Treas. Claudia Bowler
Sec'y Diann Nephew
Mbr-at Large John Anderson
Mbr-at Large Ron Weiner

A motion to adopt the minutes of the 8 May 2007 Executive Committee meeting as published was seconded and passed unanimously.

Announcements:

Officer's Reports:

Commander's Department

Commander Ted Bowler discussed the following items:

GMM – Sunday 8 July, Family and Friends BBQ – The representative from Switlik will not be able to make a presentation. Both John Isaksen and Bill Bridge will be in charge of cooking. The Squadron will need to purchase the meat, drinks, flatware and plates; attendees need to pay \$5 per person and bring a side dish or dessert.

Sail Fleet – Saturday 9 June. The Lipton cup is at the same time.

BVI Bareboaters – Scheduled to leave on 16 June and will be sailing around the islands for a week.

Predicted Log – Saturday 23 June

Articles for Ship's Mail are due for the next publication. Katie will probably be sending out a reminder email.

Executive Department

Nancy Renzi reported that the Vessel Safety Check went well. Shaun passed 11 out of 17 inspections and Katie passed 12 out of 15 inspections. There were a total of 51 inspections with 38 passing. Nancy did note that Balboa has surpassed us in inspections with one inspector passing 116 out of 122 inspections. During Safe Boating week only four people showed up for a VSC. On 16 June several VSC Inspectors will be out of town. A discussion needs to be made about rescheduling the date to give approximately 1 to 2 months lead-time to get the event advertised with Sunroad.

Education Department

Mike Fontaine reported that the Seamanship class finishes 5 June with 26 students taking the final exam. Ken Glaze has done a great job with this many students in the class.

Boat Smart, taught by Ed Mraz, finished on 25 May with 6 students taking the exam.

The new JN class is scheduled to start on 12 June. This is open to all members that have passed AP. This class runs for 13 weeks and will be taught by Mike Sampsel, and already has about 10 students.

The next AP class is scheduled to start on 15 October.

Weather, taught by DEO Bill Bridge, started on 4 June with 10 students.

Operations Training is scheduled to start in August and Katie Law has expressed interest in teaching this class.

Administrative Department

Mike Collins reported that Marina Village is available for the GMM on 14 September. The pricing, based on attendance of approximately 100 people, is \$5 per person for the room and \$20 per person for food from Ranch Catering. There is a \$350 flat fee for a bartender and alcohol so Mike will contact Katie to discuss the options for the event. There is also a licensing issue with serving alcohol at the event. John Anderson inquired about having the event at Liberty Station however Mike stated that location didn't have enough space. Pat Reins will give a PowerPoint slide presentation at the GMM and will have her books on Baja available for purchase at the event. Her books and charts will be sold at a 10% discount. Mike has asked Pat for posters to advertise the event. Mike suggested opening the meeting up to the public and the boat safety classes etc. can be promoted to all attendees hopefully getting the general public interested in what the Squadron has to offer. Ron Weiner agreed that it would be positive to open this up to the public. Mike suggested pricing the event at \$25 in advance or \$28 at the door. There should be a sign up sheet on the website with a printable form to be sent in with payment. People need to know to pay in advance. An announcement should be made at the July GMM meeting with a sign up sheet available too. Mike suggested using a ticket system for the buffet line. Mike Fontaine asked about being able to do this, because the Squadron is a non-profit organization. Ron Weiner stated that Katie Law needs to be involved to make sure we conduct business appropriately. The treasurer must account and cannot show more than \$25,000 in receipts.

Secretary's Department

Diann Nephew had no news to report.

Treasurer's Department

Claudia Bowler reported that squadron finances were in good order. All bills are paid and receipts collected. Renewals are still coming in. The Squadron made a little more than what was paid out for the last GMM. There was a cost of \$167 and we took in \$203.

Old Business:

Advertising Ships Mail – need more advertisers

Membership Retention Person – Next year Ted may want to take on this responsibility

Website – Need frequent updates

Lifetime Achievement Awards – John Isaksen to coordinate. Ron Weiner asked if this is an informal process. Discussion was made about possible candidates.

New Membership Pamphlet – Still a work in progress

USPS University – Mike Fontaine has no new information. Other squadrons are not teaching it yet. Balboa has taught two of the classes and charge \$35 for each class. There is still a question on pricing classes for students.

Change in By Laws-ExCom Vote, then GMM vote – changed our bylaws to reflect model bylaws. Ron Weiner has concerns about the wording. Ron is going to contact Bob Hubbard regarding his email of 8 May 2007.

New Business:

USPS University – Need an Assistant SEO for the classes. Bob Gibbs expressed interest in this position. Ted to review the situation and talk to Bob about getting USPS University classes to set up advertising, venues, dates, times, etc. Possibly advertise through yacht clubs, marinas, etc. John Centorbi would like to be SEO. He could be used as “Dean” of USPS University. He also is interested in the Electronics course, and possibly working with John Isaksen on Membership. Ted will research the criteria for a member to be able to teach classes. John Anderson made a comment that “Suddenly, You’re in Charge”, which is a class for spouses, etc. of skippers, was very well accepted. District 28 Annual Rendezvous – 3-4 August at Mission Bay, Mariner’s Cove.

Last GMM Meeting – had approximately 40 people attend the meeting which is a good turnout for a meeting only with no dinner, only dessert.

Next ExCom Meeting – 8 July at 1:30pm prior to the start of the picnic.

Meeting adjourned at 20:30. Next meeting will be 8 July 2007.

Respectfully submitted,
Diann Nephew, Secretary