

CALOOSAHATCHEE MARCHING & CHOWDER SOCIETY

FEBRUARY 2013 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

The regular February meeting of the Board of Directors of the Caloosahatchee Marching & Chowder Society, Inc. was called to order at 7:00 PM Tuesday, February 5, 2013 at the CMCS clubhouse located at the Cape Coral Yacht Club.

Present: Commodore Beverly Duff, Vice Commodore Jim Lasorella, Vice Commodore Summerset Steve Romaine, Rear Commodore Cruising Ron Maddix, Past Commodore Glen Vetter, Fleet Purser Tim Stier, Fleet Yeoman Mary Misenheimer, Directors: Art Gross, Russ Green, Stephanie Webb, Rodger Pfeiffenberger, Steve Carpenter, Eric Soronen and Mike Smith.

Excused: Steve Roake and Paul Steinman

Consent Agenda: Stephanie Webb made the motion to accept the Purser's report and January 2013 minutes as submitted by email; Russ Green seconded the motion which passed with unanimous vote.

Old Business:

- Rental agreement with Cape Coral: After discussion concerning the increase of rate to \$750.00 per evening for weekend events in the ballroom, Ron Maddix made a motion to sign the contract with the CC Yacht Club for the scheduled 2013 dates. Steve Romaine seconded the motion which passed with one dissenting vote. This is a rate increase of \$100.00 per event from the 2012 rates.
- US Sailing Award: Steve Romaine reported that he and Glen Vetter attended the dinner in Clearwater January 24 to represent CMCS as recipients of the 2012 Outstanding Organizational Support award. CMCS member Ross Webb also received an award from this national organization for Excellence in Instruction for his work with the Edison Sailing Center.
- Budget Approval: With the approval of the rental agreement, the final budget was brought to motion by Stephanie Webb. Steve Romaine seconded and the budget was approved by unanimous vote.

New Business:

- Green Horn Racing: Member Diane Fowler had forwarded a notice about the program Marco Island Yacht Club is using to promote racing with new members or racers. This is similar to the Lou Tilley fun races CMCS has held in years past and will be adding to the racing calendar again this year.
- Fuel Reimbursement for Committee Boat: This item was presented due to the increase in fuel costs in recent years. Art Gross made the motion to increase the reimbursement available to committee boats from \$50.00 per race to \$70.00. Steve Carpenter seconded the motion. During discussion Glenn Vetter moved to table the vote to the March meeting when the Racing Commodore will be present. Art agreed to the amended motion to table the vote.

- Traditions: A letter from a member was read expressing concern that some of the club's traditions have been lost. Commodore Duff formed an ad hoc committee of Erik Soronen, Ron Maddix, Steve Romaine and member Diane Fowler to pursue this topic.

Officer Reports:

Fleet Purser: Tim Stier suggested an addition to the Organizational Planner of signing contracts with Cape Coral in December.

Vice Commodore: Jim LaSorella in planning for the 2014 calendar questioned does the Board want to continue with holding Board meetings at 5:00 P.M. prior to the general membership meetings during April – August. The consensus was that this should continue during those months.

Vice Commodore for Summerset: Steve Romaine says Summerset will be HUGE again in 2013. The first planning meeting of the Summerset committee is April 9. There will again be a West Marine Day to benefit the Edison Sailing Center. Date TBD.

Rear Commodore for Cruising: Ron Maddix reported that slips for the EPOL cruise are all booked; some rafting will be permitted. Paul Steinman and RoseAnn Hoffman are the cruise leaders for EPOL. Stephanie Webb commented that the ESC has two gas grills available for this event, complete with full propane tanks. Waite Alexander will be leading the Panther Key cruise the first week of March and has obtained dockage from the Rod and Gun Club. Ron plans to have sign-up sheets at the membership meeting for upcoming cruises.

Committee Reports from Liaisons:

Clubhouse Programs: Mary Misenheimer reported that Stephanie Webb will be presenting the March program on the Amazon trip.

Fleet Recruiter & Sail Mate: Russ Green reported that Diane Fowler is up to date obtaining sail mates for new members; Jean Andrews is working on ideas to promote membership.

Liberty Ashore: Rodger Pfeiffenberger had questions about the events that are the responsibility of this committee, and the need for volunteers to assist the committee chairperson was discussed.

Commodore Duff will be asking all committee chairs to have presentations at the February general membership meeting with information and sign-ups for volunteers.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 9:17 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Misenheimer,

Fleet Yeoman

