

**Executive Committee Meeting
Friday Harbor Power Squadron
31 October 2006**

In the absence of Commander Ron Crenshaw, Executive Officer Marc Forlenza called the meeting to order at 1303. Additional members present were: AO Fred Bowen, Secretary Carolyn Bowen, Treasurer Dan Wittkopp, SEO Ann Einboden, P/C Travis Smith, Sammy Long, Burke Critchfield, John Kalbert, John Towson and Athlene Schneider. A quorum was present.

Minutes from the 03 October 2006 meeting were approved as presented.

Reports

SEO – Ann Einboden. Report Attached. Highlights of Ann’s report included the fact that six of the ten students who have recently graduated from Boat Smart or Chart Smart classes have either already joined or have indicated that they will join the Power Squadron. Ann showed us the packaged materials for the “On Board Weather Forecasting” seminar. She is hoping to offer that and “GPS” as seminars this spring and will talk to the new manager of West Marine for help with promoting these seminars.

XO Report – Marc Forlenza. Deferred to Old Business for his report on the D-16 Conference.

AO Report – Fred Bowen. Fred stated that Brian and Sasha Calvert would be our speakers for the General Meeting on 02 November. No new information to report on Pig War activities.

Treasurer’s Report – Dan Wittkopp. Report Attached. We currently have \$2,290.49 in the Operating Account and \$2,734.51 in the CD account, with \$162.07 positive as of 31 October. Dan stated that larger expenses continue to be the publication of Harbor Lights and the rental of the Grange.

Committee Reports

Nominating Committee – Travis Smith. Travis presented a preliminary list of Squadron Officers and Committee Chairs for 2007 with current vacancies in: Administrative Officer, Squadron PRO, Chair/Safety Committee, and Chair Cooperative Charting. Marc will ask members present at the General Meeting on Thursday for any interest in filling these vacancies and will come prepared with job descriptions for these vacancies. Also Marc will ask at the General Meeting if anyone is interested in monitoring Ann’s classes as “instructor potentials”. It was suggested that David Good may be a good candidate for teaching a seminar once he returns to the area in December.

Membership Committee – John Kalbert. John stated that he has now received three new signed applications complete with checks--John Towson also handed him a fourth completed application--all of this happening within the last ten days. John also requested a batch of more “blanks” for name badges requiring an expenditure of approximately \$300. A motion was made and approved that we proceed with this action.

Membership Involvement Committee – John Towson. John, with the help of Athlene Schneider, will work on offering more cruising activities in the coming year. While we currently have the Pig War and the D-16 Rendezvous activities, it is hoped now to offer a cruise in the Spring initially and eventually something in the Fall. Marc will poll the members at the General Meeting for interest. It was suggested that any destination chosen should also include lodging for those without boats or with smaller boats. Squadron cruises were a topic at the recent D-16 Conference and were recommended as a way to maintain member enthusiasm.

Old Business

- Christmas Party – December 7th. SJIYC has been reserved. Travis will check on the possibility of negotiating a cost less than \$350. Party will consist of heavy Hors D'Oeuvres. We are hoping for 50 attendees this year with a cost to each of approximately \$20 - \$25, including wine which will be worked into ticket price. Activities were suggested such as the ornament exchange and we will consider a fund raiser such as auctioning donated items. Marc will poll members at our General Meeting for interest level. Dan will check on Banquet permit for BYOBs.
- Kid's Life Jacket Project – Marc reported that Steve Percer has received approval from the Port to proceed with the project. Marc is looking into placement of board, materials and lettering.
- Merit Marks – Commander Crenshaw has submitted paperwork with 33 members or approximately 28.5% of membership receiving Merit Marks for 2006.
- New Pennant Logo – Lizz is working on and hopes to have something for Thursday's General Meeting.
- D-16 Fall Conference. Complete Report Available. Marc highly recommends that more of us attend this event in the future. It was a most rewarding experience for him.

New Business

- It was suggested that minutes taken at the General Meeting should be more concise with bulleted points. The meetings should be kept lively with minimal business.
- Sammy Long has requested that he not be referred to as Chaplain but rather listed as "Invocation given by Trustee Sammy Long".
- The current process of calling only those without emails or those who specifically request a telephone call prior to a meeting (approximately 15 members) is being tried one more time. It is worrisome that we only had 27 members in attendance at our October meeting. We may need to go back to increasing the telephone committee for calling most members. Will need volunteers!
- With Burke Critchfield Chairing the VSC activities, it is hoped that Rainer and Susan Eberhard will assist on the committee.
- Burke Critchfield suggested that we again offer a "pizza and book sale" meeting in the spring as an enjoyable event and fund raiser.

Our next Ex/Com Meeting will be Tuesday, 05 December, 2006.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 1435.

Respectfully submitted

Carolyn Bowen
Secretary

Attachments (2)