

**FRIDAY HARBOR POWER SQUADRON**  
**April 5, 2011 Executive Committee Meeting**  
**MINUTES**

CDR. Carolyn Bowen called the meeting to Order at 1300 in the Conference Room of the Friday Harbor Library. In attendance were XO Marc Forlenza, SEO Travis Smith, AO Bruce Galton, Treasurer Dan Watson, Secretary Penny Woodall, VSC Burke Critchfield, Safety Officer Ed Ferro, Public Boating Chair Ann Einboden, Membership Committee Chair John Towson, Membership Involvement Chair Steve Percer, Webmaster David Good and P/C Fred Bowen. A Quorum was present.

Cdr. Carolyn Bowen welcomed FHPS member Bill Wertz to our meeting.

The Minutes of the Ex/Com Meeting for March 1, 2011 were approved as posted.

**Squadron Officer's Report:**

**XO – Marc Forlenza** – Nothing to report.

**SEO –Travis Smith**

- Engine Maintenance class starts this evening at S.J.I. Marine with 10 signed up.
- Anchoring Seminar has been cancelled due to lack of sign-ups and the materials are currently out-of-stock.
- No courses are scheduled May through August.
- Piloting and Advanced Piloting need instructors; classes start next fall.
- All classes & seminars are listed on our website.

**AO – Bruce Galton**

- Change of Watch Thursday is on track at the SJIYC.
- May 5<sup>th</sup> picnic meeting at Lakedale Resort has been finalized. Steve Percer handling with Lakedale.
- Cdr. Carolyn Bowen suggested a possible October speaker – FHPS member, Terry Lush, with a power point presentation about his 5 week cruise to the Broughtons.

**Treasurer –Dan Watson**

- Checking account balance is \$5,163.83. Business Certificate is \$2,744.24.
- P/C Fred Bowen made a motion to rollover the Business Certificate at Islanders Bank for 2 years. Motion was seconded by A/O Bruce Galton & unanimously approved.

**Secretary – Penny Woodall**

- Thanks to Jan Ferro, Assistant Secretary for the excellent March Ex/Com minutes.

**Committee Reports:**

**Membership Committee – John Towson**

- We have 6 new “free trial memberships”. At the end of 6 months (about Sept.), National will invoice them for a year’s membership (Fall 2011-Fall 2012). Beginning immediately, they will be sent announcements and information for future meetings and events over this six month trial membership.

- Cdr. Carolyn Bowen reported 12 members have not renewed their membership yet. John will contact them.

#### **Membership Involvement – Steve Percer**

- Lakedale Resort has been booked for our May 5<sup>th</sup> picnic meeting & one grill. P/C Marc Forlenza will provide a second grill. A flyer will be forthcoming.

#### **VSC – Burke Critchfield**

- We've completed 18 VSC's to date.
- Cdr. Carolyn Bowen reported that at the D/16 Spring Conference in Bremerton, FHPS had the most inspections (237) for 2010. While we did not win the Squadron Honor Role, it was an honor! The criterion for this award is you must have 10% of membership as VSE's. This rule will be disputed with a letter from Cdr. Carolyn Bowen for future consideration.

**Safety Officer – Ed Ferro** – Nothing additional to report.

#### **PBC – Ann Einboden**

- The fall ABC classes are scheduled at Skagit Valley College on 6 consecutive Monday evenings (1900-2100): September 19, 26, October 3, 10, 17 & 24. The cost of materials per family will be \$45 due to Skagit having to charge us \$5 an hour for classroom use.

#### **Old Business:**

- D/16 Spring Conference, March 25-27 – **P/C Travis Smith**  
Smiths and Bowens represented us at this very enjoyable & informative conference. Two speakers that we should consider for our General Meetings were terrific:
  - Captain George Capacci, Deputy Chief of Operations, WA. St. Ferries (we have the largest ferry system in the world)
  - L/Cdr. Charles Swift, USN (retired) spoke on the Origins of Maritime Law.
- Change of Watch, April 7<sup>th</sup>, SJIYC – **Cdr. Carolyn Bowen**  
Sixty-two have responded affirmatively and everything appears to be in order.
- Bellingham/Friday Harbor, Joint Rendezvous, – **Cdr. Carolyn Bowen**  
April 8-10 at Cap Santé Marina with FH having 7 boats & 21 people signed up and Bellingham has 5 boats & 26 people coming. A dock tail party will be held on the 8<sup>th</sup> – bring an appetizer to share & a small table if you have one; dinner is booked at Anthony's on the 9<sup>th</sup>. Cdr. Carolyn Bowen will send out a final flyer.

#### **New Business:**

- Institute of Ocean Sciences (trip to Sidney, BC) – **P/C Travis Smith**  
Conflicts appear to suggest we try to change the date from May 7<sup>th</sup> to the 14<sup>th</sup>. We've 52 people & 18 boats signed up. P/C Travis Smith to contact Michael Ward about a change of date & other unanswered questions.
- Grant money available – **Cdr. Carolyn Bowen**  
Tabled; will be considered at another time.
- New Benefit for FHPS from Verizon Wireless – **Bill Wertz**  
Verizon Wireless partners through a company called National Purchasing Partners in Seattle and have offered a discount to any active FHPS member in good

- standing. Squadron members would need their own 'specific squadron email' to qualify for the discount(s). Members will receive a 15% discount on Verizon Wireless monthly access fees, 25% off accessories, waived activation fees on 1 & 2 year agreements, equipment savings & benefits extend to squadron family members. This will be discussed further at our May picnic/meeting May 5<sup>th</sup>.
- **P/C Virgil Boyt's New Role in USPS – Cdr. Carolyn Bowen**  
P/C Virgil Boyt has graciously accepted the position of Official VSC Area Chairman for D/16 & D/32 squadrons, serving as a liaison and offering help when needed. Our hardy congratulations!
  - **Draft for Budget. 2011-2012 – Treasurer Dan Watson**  
The draft budget was presented & will be emailed by Cdr. Carolyn Bowen to the Executive Committee for review. The Ex/Com will vote on the draft at the May 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting & the membership will vote at the May 5<sup>th</sup> meeting.
  - **Opening Day, May 1 SJIYC & role of FHPS – P/C Fred Bowen**  
Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>, Bish Wheeler, Fleet Captain & Power Squadron member will take the lead for this event. P/C Fred Bowen will represent the FHPS. You're urged to come & take part in this fun, festive event.
  - **May 21-27, National Safe Boating Week – Cdr. Carolyn Bowen**  
In lieu of the annual flare shoot, we hope to participate in National Safe Boating Week by doing something different--possibly show how to use (demonstrate) a PFD with many members wearing one & 'pulling the cord'!  
➤ Secretary Penny Woodall announced she is chairing the SJIYC May 19th dinner/meeting & her theme is: May Day, May Day, May Day. Safety equipment, FHPS literature & VSC documents will be on display & Burke Critchfield will urge all SJIYC members get their boats inspected.
  - **Predicted Log, June 11 – P/C Travis Smith**  
P/C Ron Crenshaw (scorer), P/C Fred Hoepfner (course planner), & P/C Travis Smith (paper pusher) will head this 26<sup>th</sup> annual Predicted Log contest. FHPS members Jane & David Cable will chair the always delicious dinner @ the SJIYC. Only 4 boats have signed up for this fun event, so spread the word!
  - **D/16 Rendezvous, Port of Poulsbo, June 24-26 – P/C Travis Smith**  
P/D/C Joanna Webster & P/C Travis Smith are co-chairing this "Rock & Roll 60's" rendezvous. Details will be in Harbor Lights so be sure & download the registration form & join in this educational, worthwhile, interesting & fun event.
  - **Pig War, July 8 & 9<sup>th</sup>, Roche Harbor Resort – P/C Fred Bowen**  
FHPS will host this year & we're ready to 'let the fun & games begin'.
  - **Holiday Party, December 8<sup>th</sup> – P/C Fred Bowen**  
The SJIYC has been booked for this event.

#### **Other Business:**

- Harbor Lights articles due to David Good by 5/15.
- Next Ex/Com meeting – Tuesday, May 3, 2011

Meeting adjourned @ 1447.

Respectfully submitted,  
Penny Woodall, Secretary