



## Minutes of April 4, 2009 Meeting

Meeting was preceded by a potluck supper at Nick and Roz's house. Thanks to all for such gourmet food.

Attending were Charles Jenison, Derek Robert, Debra LeTourno, Debbie Pace, Tom Wilcox, David Butziger, Steve O'Rourke, Roz Butziger, Nick Butziger, Garth Dudley, Shirley Dudley, Mike Quinn, Robert Van Herpe, Gary Davis, Elizabeth Davis.

Guests: Joining members William Landry, Peter Ballou, Maureen Van Herpe, and Mrs. Landry and Kelly, Tom Landry, Baxter Landry,

Meeting called to order at 7:30 pm

Salute to the Flag and Moment of Silence for departed members.

**FSO/SR** – Roz said Minutes were emailed to all. Printed copies are available also. Minutes accepted as emailed.

**FSO/FN** – Garth stated that we need to pay the building rent. Motion to pay Butzigers the \$639.12. Passed unanimously. Dues will be the same in 09. Garth moved to increase our dues to match National and District and Division . Seconded by Bob Van. Passed unanimously.

**FSO/VE** – Derek reminded everyone of upcoming VE Workshop held for five consecutive Thursdays at our headquarters building from 7 to 9:30 pm. This will be instructional and hands-on. We will use boats in the marina. Looking forward to qualifying new VE's.

**FSO/MT** – Crew Qualification and Coxswain Qualification training will begin as soon as the VE training is over. Review skills will also be taught at meetings.

**FSO/PE** – Roz reported that all three courses are still going on. Thanks to all who volunteer twice a week at the high school. We have a core group of 12 people. Graduation will be on Thursday April 16. Come greet the graduates. The Advanced Coastal Navigation course will run until the end of May. Our Summer BS&S course starts June 1. We need some proctor support there also.

**FSO/PS** –Debbi said we have four people who have the paperwork done and have only fingerprinting to go, with several more in progress. Three are here tonight. Welcome!

**FSO/MAT** –Mike will order BS&S texts for our Summer PE. Will order materials for our VE Workshop. Let him know how many to order. He will order books for crew and coxswain but needs the names of people studying for this. FC Charles Jenison asked flotilla to pay \$12.31 for donughts for the Division meeting. Passed.

**FSO/IS** –Mike

**FSO/OP** – Bob stated that we need crew qualified. Tall Ships Boston is in July. We are also planning a flotilla rendezvous. We will send out three options to see what people want.

**FSO/QM** – Quartermaster Garth said headquarters needs to be cleaned up before the ACN class. Bob Van volunteered to help.

**FSO/AN** – Mary Ann Absent

### **Old Business** –

Paddlesmart gave us a box of materials and wants us to pass it on. Derek volunteered to put together a plan and drive to various marinas with the information.

Mike said we get mission hours if the people who do that take the Marine Dealers Test.

It was suggested we contact Cox for free PR on Paddlesmart.

### **New Business**

FC reported that Brewer Marinas would like VE support for three marinas 7/17 and 7/24. One of those dates may conflict with our rendezvous. We should give whatever support we can for their event.

Mike engaged a company to inspect our flotilla mooring and wants people in the flotilla to put in the cost. Derek suggested those who continually use the mooring should do it.

The July Rendezvous – Kickimuit River overnight – protected – and all go on one or two boats over to Battleship Cove? Or Dutch Harbor and we can ferry out non-boat owners in dinghys?

VJ Day Rendezvous – Block Island? Or East Passage Yachting Center – pool, grills, can drive over if not boating over.

Just driving to Battleship Cove in early Fall? Touring the ships, eat at restaurant?

Columbus Day Weekend – Mystic Seaport. Seafood Festival, music. Three nights for price of two. Others can drive over and join us.

More details to follow.

Work Party at Headquarters to organize PE materials and work on files.  
Monday evening. 7 – 10.

Meeting ended with a surprise birthday cake for Debra LaBonte.

Respectfully submitted  
Rosalind Butziger