

North Star Flotilla Meeting Minutes Jan. 8, 2009

The meeting was preceded by steaming hot chili. Perfect for a cold night. Thanks to Rich Galipeau! And thanks to everyone else for additional snacks and desert.

In attendance: Shirley Dudley, Garth Dudley, Steve O'Rourke, Nick Butziger, Roz Butziger, David Butziger, Bill Anderson, Mike Quinn, Derek Robert, Debbie LaBonte, Brian Lagergren, Charles Jenisen, Tom Wilcox, Gary Davis, Dave

Guests: Stephen Quinn, Kathryn Quinn, Sam Gallipeau

Minutes of previous meeting accepted as emailed. Copies available.

FSO/FN –Garth Dudley- Report filed in print.

VFC-Nick Butziger- Inc. now has a new EIN # thanks to work done by Bill Anderson and Senator Reed.

FC Charles Jenisen – We are now eligible for the grant engineered by Scott Gardener.

FSO/PE – Roz Butziger- Bill and Nick did inventory and we have 13 BS&S, 3 Sail texts.

Passed out sign up sheets for Instructors and Proctors. We need everyone opening night and on Mondays and Thursdays for the many tasks listed. These were previously sent out by email. Thanks to all who signed up and are signing up at the meeting. Anyone who did not, please email Rozbutziger@cox.net or call 739-6028 and volunteer for at least one night. Opening night is Mon Feb 2 6:30 Toll Gate High School third floor- Go around back – no stairs! Room 304 etc. Please show up and we will put you to work.

There will be a PE (Public Education) Work Party on Sat Jan 24 at our headquarters at 9:30 am to organize books, charts, make signs, etc. for opening night. Please come!

AFSO/PE -- Bill Anderson suggested Instructors put any lessons they develop on powerPoint for others to use. The canned ones are not as good as we want.

FSO/IS – Mike Quinn said you need to take 100 OR 300, not both. Many need 1 hr TCT training and many need 8 hr TCT within the next few months. Gauthlein is coming back to our area. We all welcome him back, since he has worked with our flotilla in the past.

FSO/MA – Mike emphasized that we have stamps for use with official business. No need to use personal stamps for this. Also, he has books he can get for you if you are planning to take the SAR course offered in Pt Judith.

VFC-Nick Butziger passed out goal suggestions for staff and asked all staff to give him their additions.

Old Business – Sewer line is being put in. Are we going forward with a lav?
Discussion.

New Business-

Awards:

Tom and Debbie Wilcox full members!
Rich Gallipeau and Brian Lagergren TCT certificate
Bill Anderson and Rich Gallipeau – Boat Crew ribbon

Garth Dudley initiated a discussion on dues collection with pro rata for new member figured on four quarters. Dues run Jan to Dec, With the following year's dues collected the year before! New member pays for present year plus the next year to be in line with District and National. Discussion whether to forward new member dues before security clearance. Latest National and District rules on that will be checked.

Mike brought up the fact that National, District and Division raised their dues and our flotilla did not. We receive less and less. He made a motion to raise flotilla dues the same amount so we will receive the same amount undiminished by what we have to forward. Passed unanimously.

Good of Auxiliary

Debbie Wilcox is going in to Miriam Hospital for heart stint Wed. We all wish her well!

Meeting adjourned at 835 pm