

Merrimac River Sail & Power Squadron

Bridge Meeting

Meeting Date: 12 November 2007

Meeting opened at 1910

Attendees: Dex Hyland, Bob Manning, Charlie Morris, Ken Backman, Jack Micklovich

Not present: Barbara Bergin, Carol Backman, Charles Boddy, Dave Caulkins

Individual Reports

Secretary Report- Minutes from 8 October meeting were approved. No other report given.

Treasurer's Report- Ken stated our input receipts were \$935, expenditures \$325 and Net Worth \$9443. We have also turned the corner and begun to see a growth in our net worth. Discussion, but no vote on not cashing in a CD.

AO Report- No report

Education Report-

Overall course/seminar schedule for upcoming year in Excel? Post on website

Public-

- Chelmsford Boating Course- Class has finished. 7 people stayed for charting.
- Tewksbury Boating Course- Paul Flagg will complete this class on 11/19. There are 12 students attending. Several members need to be present for refreshments, scoring and recruiting.
- Next Spring- Courses to be offered
 - Chelmsford/Tuesday
 - Andover/Thursday
 - Westford/tbd

Squadron

- Piloting Course/Dex- Underway 7 people signed up. Wednesday nights in Dex's office. Cost- \$52.50
- Engine Maintenance
 - Ken to teach. Need to find a location.
- Seminars
 - Weather Seminar cancelled due to no available facility

Old Business

Action Items from October Meeting:

1. Weather Seminar Date- cancelled.
2. Charlie to contact George about teaching Marine Electronics and location- unable to contact George. Will keep trying.

Squadron By-laws. Notification, voting, and approval process.

Due to extensive changes expected at the National level, we have decided to table these efforts and incorporate new updates based on National.

Status on Woods Hole

Whenever any meeting involving District is attended, it's important that the squadron submit a 'written' report. This is usually prepared by the Commander.

Overall a good attendance. Ken, Carol and Dex attended from MR.

\$500 Grant opportunity- Maptech

This opportunity is still alive. We will be contacted when volunteers are needed.

Merit Marks-

What is the process/how are they determined? This was discussed, including how to get into DB2000

Need Merit Mark candidates and achievements ASAP- A list of 13 members was prepared. They have been input into DB2000 and submitted to National. All 13 submittals were approved at National.

New Business

Recognition/Awards

25 year pin- Edward O'Brien. Award to be given at the Founders Day meeting.

Jack will send a letter and invitation.

Any other New Business items from Bridge members.

Founders Day Dinner Meeting-

Date has been tentatively set for February 9, 2008 at the Village Square Restaurant.

Website material-

Bob asked that people provide material that we should put on our site.

Action Items-

Charlie-

- Nominating committee for annual meeting in Feb.
- Get Buz' trophy to Dex

Jack

- Send 25 yr. recognition letter to Edward O'Brien and invite to Dinner meeting.
- Update DB2000 with Merit Mark nominations and submit.

Next meeting Date:

December 10, 2007. 1900 hrs. Dexter's Office

Meeting Adjourned at 2040 hrs.

Respectfully recorded and submitted by Jack Micklovich