

Phoenix Sail and Power Squadron
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Annual General Membership Meeting Minutes:

Meeting Date:
January 17, 2008

Meeting Location:
Deer Valley Airport Restaurant
702 W Deer Valley Road
Phoenix, AZ 85027

Call to Order:
1940

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America: Led by Rob Anderson.

Quorum: Per Joe Warren, Secretary, a quorum was present.

Attendees: 29 members and guests in attendance.

Approval of Minutes of Preceding General Membership Meeting: **It was moved by John Lusson and seconded by Ron Quagliara to accept the minutes of the November 15, 2007 General Membership meeting as presented. The motion passes.**

Recognition of New Members and Guests: Commander Bill Johnson introduced new members Brad Brechtel and Donna. Commander Johnson lead the USPS Pledge to swear in Brad and Donna. Other guests included Norene Schloeman and Janet and Tracy Allocco.

Reports of Officers:

Executive Officer: Gary Prigge - absent – reports by committee chairpersons

- Boat Show – Terry Gray – The Arizona Boat show is coming next month. We still need members to work our booth. A list is being circulated. Please sign up for a time to work at the booth. It is a good way to get into the Boat Show for free.
- Cooperative Charting – Rose Werner– No Report.
- Legislative Liason – Bob Hurley – absent – David Allocco reported there is a Bill in the House, HB 2024, that would make it illegal to have a boat engine on when swimmers are in the water nearby. Concern is for carbon monoxide poisoning.
- Radio Technical – Bob Schloeman - No Report.
- Public Relations – No Report.
- Safety – Roger Clark – absent – No Report.
- Arizona Safe Boating celebration - Connie Johnson – An Arizona Safe Boating Celebration Committee meeting was held yesterday. The event will be May 17, 2008 at the 10 lane boat ramp at Lake Pleasant. We are looking for sponsors and prizes to distribute. This year we would like to beat last years' number of Vessel Safety checks of 140. Bill and Connie Johnson and Bob Schloeman are the PSPS contacts for this activity.

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- Vessel Safety Check – Ron Werner – absent – No Report.

Squadron Educational Officer: Tim Harrington –

- 65 members took Education Department exams during the past year.
- The Marine Electronics class with various instructors is about halfway thru.
- A Seamanship class is scheduled to start in April. An Advanced Piloting class is also scheduled to start in April.
- We are preparing members for the Boat Operators Certifications by offering the new two hour seminars. The VHF radio seminar is scheduled for February 4th. It includes DSC capabilities of VHF radios. The On Board weather forecasting seminar is scheduled for February 18th.
- A sail class is being planned for later this year. If you are interested, tell Dave Allocco.

Administrative Officer: Ron Quagliara - reports by committee chairpersons

Membership – Bill Johnson – New members. See above.

Member Involvement – Terry Gray – No Report.

Boating Activities – Several upcoming activities include:

- January 19th – Snow Cruise at Deer Cove at Lake Pleasant.
- February 6th thru 10th Arizona Boat Show at the Phoenix Convention Center.
- The Change of Watch is February 9, 2008 at the Union Hills Country Club. If you plan to attend and have not yet paid get your check to Bill Johnson tonight or as soon as possible.

Secretary: Joe Warren – A Summary Report was presented. A copy is filed with the Secretary's records.

Historian / IT / Website - Bob Schloeman – Bob presented the Annual Squadron History Report for Year 2007. A copy of the report is filed with the Secretary's records.

Ensign / **Bos'n's Pipe** – Lee Whitehead – No Report.

Treasurer: Jackie Wanta –

John Lusson made a motion to accept the draft 2008 PS PS Budget. Since it is a motion by committee, no second is required. The motion passes. A copy of the budget is on file with the Secretary's records.

Ships Store - Jan Park - No Report.

Commander: Bill Johnson – some items covered in other reports / discussions.

Old Business:

New Business:

- Policies and Procedures:
Changes to the Squadron Policies and Procedures have been recommended during the past watch year. Also a new Award document has been created and existing

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awards have been consolidated. Descriptions of the revised P&P and new Award documents were presented. **A motion was made by Frank Fitzgerald to adopt these recommended changes. The motion was seconded by Joe Warren. The motion passes.** A copy of the documents is on file with the Secretary's records.

- **By-Laws:**
There were no recommendations for change to the Squadron By-Laws the past watch year. **It was moved, seconded and approved to accept the By-Laws as published.**

- **Election of Officers:**
It was moved, seconded and approved to accept the recommendations of the Nominating Committee. Bernie Lindgren will become the Assistant Educational Officer, replacing Art Ashton who is the new Executive Officer.

Good of the Order:

- Russel Johnston is ill.
- Mary Hora is improving.
- Membership is the same as last year so the goal to increase membership was not met.
- Class participation is up.
- We have hosted and participated in more activities this past year.
- The goal to get \$1,000 for the Education Department was met.
- Commander Johnson thanks the Bridge for their support this past year.
- The District Spring Conference is planned for early March at the Thunderbird Inn at 59th Avenue and Greenway. Phoenix is the Host Squadron so plan to help make the event a successful event by participating in the activities and / or volunteering to help with the event.

Adjournment: 2024 by Joe Warren, Secretary