

**Susquenango Sail & Power Squadron  
Meeting Minutes for 17 April 2019  
Executive Meeting/Easter Dinner, Elks' Club, Binghamton, NY**

**Commander:** Cdr Mary Kucharek, P, called the meeting to order at 1815.

**Secretary:** Lt/C Peg Acciai, S, did the Quorum roll call and a quorum was present. The March 2019 minutes were distributed, read, corrected to include the correct title for P/D/C Shaver, and then approved by member vote.

**Treasurer:** D/Lt/C Nancy Bieber, P, distributed the Treasurer's Report and reported that the D6 Spring Conference made a profit of \$830.90. Half, \$415.45, will be shared with the Susquenango Squadron.

The budget is still in the planning phase.

Dues are due now.

**Officers' Reports -**

**Executive Officer:** P/C Michael Acciai, AP presented a Commander's flag to Cdr Mary Kucharek, P. Past Commander's flags were presented to P/C David Olds, AP and P/C Michael Acciai, AP.

**Administrative Officer:** Lt/C Linda Rought, P, reported that she had a great time at the D6 Spring Conference and thought that people who attended enjoyed the conference.

**Education Officer:** Lt/C Les Smith, JN stated that he enjoyed the D6 Conference and he learned a lot of new information through the meetings and presentations.

Five people plan to attend the Seamanship classes.

There will be no ABC classes scheduled for May 2019.

**Committee Reports –**

**Public Relations:** Lt Ann Smith, S, reported that there are plans for new branding for shows, brochures, and courses as well as new slide disks for use at shows, seminars, and classes.

Information will be included in the new branding manual.

Discussion about ideas for National Safe Boating Week 2019.

New squadron members are invited to attend the May General Membership Meeting where they will be recognized and receive their membership pins.

**Membership:** P/C Dave Olds, AP reported we have 64 members.

The graphics changes have not been updated on the national site but are available from P/C Dave Olds, AP.

**Sea Chest:** P/D/Lt/C John Young, AP, thanked those who contributed articles to the Sea Chest. He requested articles for the summer season that included pictures.

**Meetings & Programs:** Lt/C Linda Rought, P, stated that our next General Membership meeting will be 15 May at the TOB Fire station with a Phil's Chicken House BBQ. New members will be invited to attend the meeting where they will be recognized and receive their membership pins.

**Membership Involvement:** D/Lt/C Nancy Bieber, P, reported that a Boat Training Seminar is scheduled for May 16 at Oswego Harbor, Oswego, NY.

She discussed the Rhodes Scholar Program Trip to the Blue Ridge Mountains Virginia Historical sites scheduled for October 13-18, 2019. The link for additional information will be included in the upcoming Sea Chest.

**Vessel Safety Check:** P/C Bob Gould, AP: No Report

**Old Business:** P/C Michael Acciai, AP reviewed the workings of the Gault Auto Gives back program and the need for members to vote daily on the Gault Auto Facebook site when given notice by our Commander via the Susquenango Facebook page.

D/Lt/C Nancy Bieber, P, reported that the Susquenango Squadron will have dinner at the Edgewood Restaurant, Alexandria Bay, NY, on Saturday, August 31, 2019 following the D6 Brockville Rendezvous activities. Additional information to follow.

**New Business:** Discussed -

Plans for Safe Boating Week at Dick's Sporting Goods, Vestal, NY

Research new digital equipment and sound system for classes, presentations, and squadron activities. Investigate funding possibilities. D/Lt/C Nancy Bieber, P, P/C Dave Olds, AP, Lt/C Les Smith, JN will meet for this purpose.

Recognition of new members at the BBQ General Membership meeting and the Education Picnic.

Boscov's Community Day, Friends Helping Friends, is scheduled for October 16, 2019.

**Commander's Comments:** Cdr Mary Kucharek, P, expressed her thanks to all in making the D6 Spring Conference a success. She recognized the squadron members on the new D6 Bridge as well as the recipients of the District Awards, and P/C Dave Olds, AP, for his article published in the Ensign, the USPS national publication. She stated that a full D/6 Spring Conference report would be posted in the SeaChest.

**Calendar:** General Membership Meeting - 15 May TOB Fire Station – Phil's BBQ  
Executive Meeting - 19 June Acciai's home – Recognition Picnic

**Motion to Adjourn** – Motion at 2031 by Lt Ron Bieber, S, and seconded by Lt/C Peg Acciai, S.

Respectfully Submitted by: Lt/C Peg Acciai, S, Secretary