

Susquenango Sail & Power Squadron

Meeting Minutes

19 Sept 2018 Executive Meeting

Jonathon's, Endwell, NY

Call to Order: Cdr Michael Acciai, AP - Called the meeting to order at: 1815

Secretary Report: Lt/C Peg Acciai, S reported a quorum was present and distributed the Minutes for the 21 June 2018 meeting. No changes were noted and the minutes were accepted as submitted.

Treasurer's Report: D/Lt/C Nancy Bieber, P distributed the Treasurer's report and reported the Squadron was solvent. Rendezvous charges were noted and the report was accepted as submitted.

Officers' Reports

Executive Officer: Lt/C Mary Kucharek, P reported that on Tuesday 16 Oct. Friends Helping Friends will be held at Boscov's with discounts up to 25% being given to card holders plus free refreshments and prizes available to the Squadron. Discount cards are available for Squadron members and available that day at the Squadron display. Cost is \$5.00 per shopping pass. Proceeds go to the Squadron. She reported that the Squadron was invited to participate in the Boscov's Downtown Holiday Parade on 17 Nov. at 0130. The theme is "Season of Caring". See new business for discussion points. She also reported that she will chair D/Lt/C Nancy Bieber's District Commander's swearing in at the D/6 Spring Conference being held 12-14 April 2019 at Tioga Downs in Nichols, NY. A Planning meeting is scheduled for 03 Oct 2018 at 1800 hr. at Kucharek's home.

Administrative Officer: Lt/C Linda Rought, P reported that we had a successful Rendezvous. She expressed appreciation to Nancy and Ron for their planning and preparation and complemented and thanked everyone who helped make the weekend a success. For Meetings and Programs she reported that Halo Berlin has not returned her calls for an Octoberfest dinner and meeting in October so the location is now TBD. She will work on an alternative meeting and dinner location to be reported by a SeaChest email notice.

Education Officer: Lt/C Les Smith, JN – Lt Ann Smith, S reported for Les who was out of town on business that there will be no ABC classes held in the fall. All classes will be held in the spring with dates TBD. Breanna's Law was discussed. Cdr Acciai stated that no new updates were available on the Senate passing the law but will make any new information available to the membership when available.

Committee Reports

Public Relations: Lt Ann Smith, S reported that she will update fliers for the Spring ABC classes and is investigating radio and TV spots for the Education Officer to promote the course. Gualt award was brought up and discussed in Old Business.

Membership: P/C Dave Olds, AP was absent but Cdr Acciai reported that we are at 62 members with the loss of six members this year. He also reported that P/C Stephen Tisdale, AP received his 25 year membership pin and that he would send it to Steve once he verified his current address. He also thanked Steve for sticking with the squadron over all the years.

Sea Chest: P/D/Lt/C John Young, AP requested help publishing the SeaChest and Lt/C Peg Acciai and Cdr Michael Acciai said they will begin to publish the SeaChest once the required software is installed on their computers.

Meetings & Programs: Lt/C Linda Rought, P – See Administrative Officers Report

Membership Involvement: D/Lt/C Nancy Bieber, P thanked everyone who helped with the Rendezvous. She also invited members to attend the Vestal Museum Concert Series on 13 October at 2000 hr. for coffee and music by Milkweed. Cost is \$10.00. She also reported on information from the Governing Board meeting. The emphasis is on America's Boating Club as our organization branding and the need for consistency on all District and Squadron publications.

Vessel Safety Check: P/C Bob Gould, AP reported that five VSC were preformed and all the forms were submitted to National.

Old Business: Gault Auto Gives back reapplication was discussed and a new application will be submitted if required. D/Lt/C Bieber reported that six new webinars are now available and no dues increase for this year. She also reported that USPS is now aligned with SeaTow and she is going to request a life jacket donation from SeaTow for our Boscov's raffle donation. She reported that the Squadron received a thank you card from the Campville Volunteer Fire Company for our donation made in Lt Daniels, S name. P/ R/C Dave Daniels SN reported that the Nomination Committee is ready to become active again.

New Business: Squadron participation in the Boscov's Downtown Holiday Parade was discussed and the possibility of entering a parade float was discussed. Obtaining a small trailered boat to decorate will be pursued and more discussion will be done at the October meeting.

Commander's Comments: Cdr Acciai thanked everyone involved who helped make the 2018 Susquenango Rendezvous a wonderful success. He gave best wishes from him and the Squadron to all members who had any illness and surgery over the summer and thanked Lt JoAnn Rhode for sending out get well and remembrance cards on the Squadron's behalf.

Calendar: 17 Oct 2018, Executive Meeting & October Fest, location TBD
14 Nov 2018, General Membership Meeting, TBD
9-11 Nov 2018, D/6 Fall Conference at Niagara Falls
19 Dec 2018, Executive Meeting, TBD

Motion to Adjourn – at 2026 hr.

By: Linda Rought

Seconded: Nancy Bieber

Submitted by Lt/C Peg Acciai, S