

OTYC Board Meeting

March 14, 2017 (via teleconference)

Attendees: Nancy Cooper, Mike Biskupski, Scott Mulligan, Mike Adelson, Cathy Heiser and Cathy Stephenson. Bob DeVries, Libby Mustaine and Kanda McKee were unable to attend.

Commodore Cooper called the meeting to order at 8:05 pm EDT.

Approval of Meeting Minutes - Cathy Heiser motioned to approve the Board Meeting Minutes from February 9, 2017. Mike Biskupski seconded the motion which carried.

EZ Docks - Commodore Cooper shared that the Standleys withdrew their objection when we revised and submitted the revised application to the Army Corps of Engineers (ACoE). The ACOE approved the application for the 2 EZ Docks that fall entirely within the OTYC property line. Commodore Cooper asked Dennis Turner to speak with EZ Docks on any issues associated with only using 2 of the docks. If we actually installed the 4 E Docks as originally intended and had a gentleman's agreement with the Standleys, we would be in violation of the ACoE approval and have increased insurance risk. We discussed the purchase of dollies (approximately \$600 per dolly) to be used for the EZ docks not installed.

We learned that the underside of 1 of the 6 sunfish was badly damaged last summer, so we really need to protect the sunfish for the enjoyment of all members. The Board agreed to purchase dollies for each of the sunfish that could not be stored on the EZ Docks (believed to be 4). Commodore Cooper will discuss needed repairs and purchase of dollies with Dennis Turner.

Projects - In Kanda McKee's absence, the Board discussed several projects:

- **AED** – The Board agreed that we should purchase the AED unit recommended by Hugh Cook, the Life Pack CR Plus, for its ease of use and compatibility with the Township ambulances (recommended Option 2).
- **Handicapped Signage** – Kanda will work with Debby Disch on the placement of 3 handicapped spaces.
- **Grading of Parking Area and Gravel** - The Board agreed that the existing gravel which is softer and larger is the desirable option. Cathy Heiser will discuss with Kal a possible expansion of scope to include grading of the driveway and then share with the Board. Kal is aware we would like to complete work before the season begins. In a reversal of the discussion last month, the Board decided not to pursue striping of the lot, feeling that we could continue as is.

Treasurer Report - Cathy Heiser said all collections had been received except for 7 family members and three singles. Only 1 was a carryover from last year. Cathy will follow up with each of the outstanding members to ensure that dues are received with a postmark no later than March 30. After that the \$100 penalty will be charged. Cathy also shared that in addition to the resignation of the Fuertges's. The

Melville's had also relocated and resigned. And, Lucy Loveless also resigned due to limited time being spent in Omena.

Cathy said that all boat rental payments and applications had been received. She also noted that a member had agreed to investigate PayPal and other electronic processing alternatives. She hopes to review possible alternatives at the Annual Meeting.

Boat Slip Rental – Commodore Cooper noted that all of the slips had been rented. The process went fairly smoothly but not without concerns being expressed again about one vessel/one family. This issue will be raised for discussion and hopefully resolution at the Annual Meeting.

Legacy Members – Commodore Cooper stated that there are roughly 5 children of Family members who turn 26 in 2017. While she did not know the exact number, who turned 26 in 2016, she believes the total for the two years is approximately 10. Members of the Board discussed the value of making it easy for these legacies to remain involved with the Club during a period in their lives when they are establishing a career and may not be in Omena as much as when they were younger. After much discussion, Cathy Stephenson made a motion that:

In the year in which a child of a Family Member turns 26 and up to the year in which the child turns 30, the child may elect to become an Adult Member (or Family Member, if married), without payment of an initiation fee. If, however, the child does not elect membership during this window of time and subsequently wishes to join at a later point in time, the Guest Member application process would be required, including payment of the initiation fee, upon acceptance as a Member. During the transition period, the child is welcome to accompany a Member as a guest of the Member at Club activities, but has no rights of membership.

Mike Biskupski seconded the motion which carried unanimously. Commodore Cooper will review the Board's decision with the Membership Chairs and subsequently review with Tom Oehmke to draft appropriate language for the Bylaws, which would have to be voted on at the Annual Meeting. The Board would like to review and approve this proposed amendment to the Bylaws electronically, in advance of the next Board meeting in April.

Nominating Committee Slate of Candidates for Board – Commodore Cooper stated that John Ray, Chair of the Nominating Committee which included Harold McKee and Cathy Stephenson had assembled a slate of Board candidates including Tommy Newland, Kerry Magrini and Linda McKenzie to be presented to the membership for vote at the Annual Meeting.

Traffic Pattern on Omena Point Road – Commodore Cooper relayed from Bob DeVries that the County had approved the addition of a double yellow line on Omena Point Road from the curve at M-22 beyond the OTYC entrance. Signs suggesting a lower speed limit will also be posted. It is expected that the work will be completed this spring. Bob DeVries will pen a brief article for the Breeze to inform members.

Omena Traverse Breeze submission deadline – Trish Bosco would like all submissions by April 1, but Commodore Cooper felt this should be pushed out a bit as it will be difficult to get all submissions readied by then.

Youth Program update – Commodore Cooper gave kudos to Sara Goldman and Linda McKenzie, Youth Chairs, for their efforts in seeking a Youth Director. With a higher compensation, the use of social media and outreach to the community and schools, they are confident good candidates will be sourced.

Website – Scott Mulligan indicated that the calendar should be up to date with only a few exceptions to planned dates. He will talk with Mary Tonneberger when he is in Omena this spring (April & early May) about adding a blurb to each Scuttlebutt, to build awareness and influence behavior. He does not believe any analytics regarding page visitation are available.

Commodore Reception – More will be forthcoming, but a possible date is August 12.

Other – Mention was made of the eventual electronic distribution of the Omena-Traverse Breeze. It was noted that many organizations transmit all communications electronically, and that doing so might save the Club a considerable amount of money.

Next Board Meeting - The next Board Meeting will be Wednesday April, 12th at 8 pm EDT. Please be sure to attend this meeting. Mark your calendars now!

There being no further business to be discussed, the meeting was adjourned at 9:18 EDT.

Respectfully Submitted,
Cathy Stephenson, Secretary