

NEW HAMPSHIRE CHAPTER
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
17 June 2020

Call to Order: President Bob Jaffin called the meeting to order at 1920 hours. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those assembled followed by the invocation delivered by Joe DiChiaro.

Attending: Balcom, Breuder, J. Day, S. Day, DiChiaro, Frye, Jaffin, Lull, McLean, Miller.

Opening Remarks: Bob Jaffin deferred any opening remarks.

Immediate Past President Remarks: Warren Coulter not present.

Secretary's Report: Michael McLean reported that he received no corrections to the May 2020 minutes. The minutes can not be accepted as we do not have a quorum.

Treasurer's Report: Roby Day said he had a "lot of stuff" but it is pretty boring. He reported that as of today our retained earnings for the year to date is less than \$700. He said we don't have the cash flows that we normally have. He said we do have cash reserves from several sources; in fact we have over \$25,000 in cash that we can draw on.

Trustees of the Trust Fund: Andrew Breuder reported that the stocks are starting to recover. He went on to detail the allocation of some of the Scholarship funds into different investments. Roby brought up that we have about \$70,000 in the Life Membership Investment Account. He asked Michael McLean if we are restricted as to how we spend that money down. Michael replied that the only restriction he knew of is that the Life Membership Fund be used to pay for the annual dues of life members, but beyond that he knew of no restrictions in the by-laws. Roby said he would dig around to see if he could find anything about this. A question was asked as to how the life members' dues are calculated. Michael replied that it is somewhat complicated as he has to factor in those life members who are paid up at age 80 and those paid up at age 90.

Other Business: Bob Jaffin began by reminding everyone that we did a virtual "Storming the Hill". We had staff representatives from all four of our Congressional Delegations. Bob said one of the main subjects covered was the possibility of moving the Commissary from the Shipyard to Pease. The delegation was interested but not willing to take a position at this time.

Bob then moved on to discuss an email we received from the Red Blazer in which they said they now will be charging \$200 for the use of the room plus tax and a \$125 gratuity for the server. Bob said we need to look at alternatives for our Board meetings, to include how often we need to meet and whether they could be a combination of online and on person meetings. Bob has his preferences but will withhold them until we have a fuller discussion. There followed a discussion of the September Luncheon, whether it was cancelled or not. Bob then asked how many people would attend a face to face meeting in July or August if he could arrange it and when do we need to decide whether we have an in-person Annual Meeting. Michael McLean then brought up that he has to answer the Red Blazer's email. There was discussion of what to say as well as where we might go. Bob then commented that he would like to try to have a face to face Board meeting in August.

Bob brought up that he was very disappointed by the small attendance this evening. Sharon Day commented that if anyone can't attend a meeting, they should say why they can't. Ken Lull added that it would be worthwhile to publish the ZOOM link each time there is an online meeting. He was late in logging on because he was trying to find an old email with the info. Bob said he will take that for action.

OLD BUSINESS:

Scholarship Loan Program: Joe DiChiaro commented that someone paid off their student loan of \$2,000. Wayne Balcom added that he has received six applications for this year.

BOD appointments and Vacancies: Sharon Day began by saying that the Board needs to approve David Frye to fill a vacancy until November. She then commented that she got an email from someone she approached who declined for this year, but perhaps next year. She is still looking for someone to replace David Hadley. There was discussion as to whether we can approve David Frye without a quorum. Andrew Breuder suggested we could send out an email asking Board members to approve his nomination. Michael McLean said lets just vote tonight and he welcomed David Frye to the Board.

Next BOD Meeting: Bob Jaffin asked if we want to schedule the next Board meeting. Joe DiChiaro said we have ZOOM reserved for the third Wednesday of every month. Bob said he will send out an email briefly covering everything done tonight.

Roby Day suggested that we should touch base with the Nashua C. C. about the November Luncheon. Michael McLean said he will call them.

Michael brought up the issue of chapter members who are not national members. He pointed out that it is probably not worthwhile contacting the older chapter members. Bob Jaffin said he did not feel it was worth the time and effort. Michael also mentioned the changes MOAA made in their online dues paying program.

Ken Lull asked Roby Day about the status of the Clambake Trailer registration. Roby replied that it is due in August and he will pay the \$70 fee.

Michael McLean brought up another subject – he was not aware that the Shipyard Commander had changed last summer. Michael asked if anyone knows whether CAPT David Hunt is still in the area. Bob said he had hoped to get him involved in the chapter. Michael said he was trying to find his current address. There was additional discussion about possible candidates for the Board of Directors.

Bob Jaffin brought up that he knew of several small businesses who would be interested in buying advertising space in the *Granite Slate*. He also mentioned there might be corporate sponsors who might be willing to sponsor our Board meetings.

Joe DiChiaro pointed out that the next ZOOM meeting is scheduled for July 15th.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 2011 hours.

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Secretary
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