

Minutes of Mid-Atlantic Chapter ACBS Meeting on September 13, 2022

The meeting was called to order by President Ed Andrews at 7:00 pm via Zoom call. Members in attendance were: Ed Andrews, Austin Berndlmaier, Dave Bernard, Joyce Turner, Joe Gartner, Gloria Gartner, John Donnelly, Carmen DeLeo, Bill Murphey, Doug Mehring, Steve Ingraham, Brian Gagnon and Richard Hughlett.

The minutes from the last meeting were reviewed and approved as submitted. There was no Secretaries report.

Treasurer Joe Gartner reviewed his Treasurers report. It was accepted as presented. The only question of note was whether or not all expenses from the Bristol show had been submitted. They have been but there is a \$200 revenue discrepancy that will be ironed out offline in a conversation between Gartner and DeLeo. The Endowment committee (Gartner/Brooks/Gagnon) has a quarterly meeting scheduled with advisor Fulton Bank planned for September 28th at 11 am.

Ed Andrews Presidents report consisted of a brief review of the International show in Burlington, Vt where Ed also ran a Chapter roundtable. It was a well attended and memorable event. The majority of the President's report concerned the Sea Scouts and their request for \$3000 in funding for 2022. This follows \$1200 in initial funding and then another \$3000 in 2021. Ingraham made a motion to authorize the funding which was later tabled. Members of the Executive Committee (Andrews/Brooks/Gartner/Gagnon) did not have sufficient time to review the Scouts proposal but agreed to do so and have a Zoom call on Sunday September 18 at 2 pm to make a recommendation to the membership via Survey Monkey as to what to do. A decision will be made after the survey results are tallied.

Vice President Jack Brooks was not present so DeLeo and Turner reviewed their respective events. DeLeo noted the Bristol event was held on the rain date of 7/10 and had 27 boats and 1 outboard registered. There were 47 guests for dinner. Thanks to George Wohlgemuth for the use of his cruiser which provided the platform for Diane Allen to do two tours of a cruise around Burlington Island. Thanks also to Mark Gesqualdi (of the car club) for his support of the event. The Chapter underwrote the dinner to the tune of \$16 per person. Thanks also to Austin for the drone video and Ingraham for doing pictures. Proceeds from the event went to Relay for Life. The town of Bristol was happy with the event and we have been invited back for a similar event on 7/15/23. An invitation was also extended to our club for a day after Thanksgiving boat parade. DeLeo also noted that the Egg Harbor event had 5 boats; three Centuries, a Crownline and a newish Chris Craft launch.

Turner reviewed the upcoming Pt. Pleasant event. She is still expecting 30 boats although registrations are minimal at this time. Donnelly reported he had picked up 7 or 8 and Turner reported a 100 year old Herreshoff sloop (named Quest) would be in attendance. Tom Lewis (vendor chair) is expecting several new food vendors. Donnelly will be doing event photography for the web. The event will be using Touring Class judging (not ACBS).

The membership has grown to 103 with no immediate expirations and no new members in the last 30 days.

The next Nautical Mile will feature the Clayton show from August. It was noted we will be losing several advertisers for the upcoming issue.

Ingraham reported the web site is up to date. There was a brief review of whether Pt. Pleasant program advertisers should be included on the web site. The current policy is that only Nautical Mile advertisers go on the web site unless a separate fee is paid. This policy is in the Nautical Mile in the advertisers information section.

Gloria Gartner reported on our Social Media presence and noted that members can post, and are encouraged to post, all they want. Austin inquired as to posting drone footage and a discussion ensued as to how to do that

Meg Keyes was not present so there was no update on the purchase of Chapter hats which had been authorized at a previous meeting.

Under new business, Gagnon, as Past President, will head the nominating committee for next years officers.

The next meeting will be 11/9. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully,

Brian Gagnon, Secretary