



## Board Meeting December 5, 2017

### Call to Order:

Commodore Ron Levis called the meeting to order at 9:00 am at the Twin Isles Country Club.

**Present for the meeting:** Ron Levis, Commodore; Jim Ellsworth, Vice Commodore and Treasurer; Dave Perkins, Rear Commodore; Dennis Waryjas, Fleet Captain; Pete Worthington, Past Commodore; Bill Courtney, IT Director; Nick Hay, Incoming Vice Commodore; Linda Powell, Incoming Social Director and Jo Ann Houston, Social Committee member.

**Not present:** Chet Sliski, Social Director; Stephanie Courtney, Secretary

### Commodore's Comments:

- Ron announced today's meeting is a joint meeting including the new Board members, Nick Hay, the 2018 Vice Commodore, and Linda Powell, the 2018 Social Director, to attend this last Board meeting of 2017 so as to familiarize them with the issues being discussed.
- Ron will make a Certificate of Appreciation and purchase a small gift to present to Chet Sliski, the outgoing Social Director and longtime BSIBC member, who is moving to Texas in mid-December. The items will be given to Chet at the Christmas Gala.
- Ron thanked the 2017 Board for all their efforts and how easy it made his job because of the way everyone pitched in to get things done.

### Old Business:

- The minutes from the Aug. 17, 2017 meeting were approved on a motion made by Jim Ellsworth and seconded by Nick Hay.
- The minutes from the Annual Meeting were reviewed and there were no comments. The minutes will be presented for approval at the next Annual Membership Meeting.

### Reports from Board Members:

#### Jim Ellsworth:

- The safety inspection program will be handled by Nick Hay in the spring of 2018 because the stickers expire at the end of every calendar year so offering this in the fall would have meant the stickers would have been valid for only a short time.

#### Nick Hay:

- Considering a survey of members to determine topics that would be of the greatest interest for articles in the weekly update and for possible seminars. Initial thoughts include electronics, anchoring, single versus twin engine operation and a first mates course. Details to come.

**Dave Perkins:**

- Voiced support for continuing the one year free trial membership into 2018 as a way to increase the size of BSIBC. He also called for greater promotion of the Fishing Club because it is a major reason many in BSI join.
- Dave made a motion, seconded by Bill Courtney, to extend the free trial membership program in 2018 with a charge for name tags (\$10 single and \$15 couple) and providing only an electronic version of the membership directory during the trial year. The motion was discussed and then passed.

**Dennis Waryjas:**

- Distributed a copy of the in-progress 2018 cruise schedule. He noted that the event in Sarasota to the Marina Jacks II is an event on a cruise boat by that name, as some members were confused. Members will drive to a marina and then board the boat for lunch and a cruise.
- There are still two openings for Cruise Directors: the raft-up at Pelican Bay and Rum Bay for Halloween.

**Bill Courtney for Steph Courtney:**

- Reported that as of this meeting there have been 47 membership renewals.
- The swearing-in script for the Change of Watch will be ready by 12/31/17. Ron questioned who swears in the new Board members when the Commodore is carrying over to the next year. Pete, as the immediate Past Commodore, offered to handle this and has a script from previous years to use.

**Jim Ellsworth:**

- Provided a Treasurer's report indicating a bank balance of \$10,200.08.
- He has closed the money market account to save paperwork and we now only have a checking account.

**Linda Powell:**

- Reported that 78 members had signed up for the Christmas Gala and that Mary Ann Hughes had volunteered to help take photos of members at the event. The club is subsidizing each meal by \$6.00.
- The New Year's brunch at Cass Cay flyer is almost completed.

- Change of Watch is set for Captain's Table on Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>. She will issue a new flyer that asks members to specify which entre they want to order and she will contact those who have already RSVP's to get there selection. Dress for Board members of white slacks/skirt, blue blazer, red tie/scarf and white shoes.
- Commodore's Ball will be in March (perhaps the 17<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup>) because of an early Easter on April 1<sup>st</sup>. The location is not yet determined but could be at Kings Gate or Kings Way Country Club.
- Ron requested a budget meeting with the Social Committee, himself and Jim Ellsworth.

**Pete Worthington:**

Thanked everyone for their support while he was away and in the hospital.

**Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:06 am.