Bridge Meeting Minutes / April 11th, 2016 / Sarnia Power and Sail Squadron

Present: Ossie Ianni, Peter Jones, Chris Schooley, Hazel Huffman, Mike Shauteet, Dave Sidenberg, Martin Sanders

Motion: Made by Hazel, 2nd by Dave to approve the March 14th, 2016 minutes. Carried.

Report of Officers:

Commander: Ossie brought up an email sent by *Past D/C Bob Parke from WOD*. It read that after the District Meeting on April 17th, 2016, all current Squadron Commanders will meet for 15 minutes. The purpose of the meeting is to elect from within yourselves 2 members to represent the Squadron Commanders on the District Nomination Committee. Chris clarified.

Executive Officer: Mike indicates N/R

Treasurer: Hazel indicates finally!! The debit card for banking purpose works now. Two signatures are required however for using it. Hazel also provided the <u>Statements of Receipts and Disbursements</u> for January, February, and March of 2016. The years end balance is \$11,628.08. Year end is done and in for audit. Ossie to sign also.

Secretary: Martin has completed the Notice of AGM letter and gave copy to all. Thanks for all the input.

Public Relations: Thanks to Peter, after the meeting, we experienced a visit to the *MCTS* Centre in Sarnia.. We really appreciated this and found it very educational and insightful. PR is still an open position also.

Marep: Lake Superior same level as it was a month ago. Lakes Michigan-Huron, St. Clair, Erie and Ontario are in the midst of their seasonal rise and are 7 to 10 inches above what they were a month ago. All lakes are above their average of a year ago. Mike spent quality time breaking down the complete report to all of us. Copy of report always available upon request.

Training VHF: Dave indicated to us that 4 students are registered for PCOC course in May and 14 students are registered for VHF course in April. Dave also mentioned he has 11 VHF study books left and expressed that he could use 20 more books. Ossie will be examiner for Dave on April 28th 2016.

PCOC: Ossie indicates N/R

Social: Chris has taken time to prepare and mail the invite letter for upcoming AGM and graduation. Five students will be graduating. This AGM has the possibility for a good attendance. Chris strongly indicates the importance of knowing for sure who is coming or not because a no show costs the Squadron money. The dinner served is charged by the plate in advance and if multiple people do not show, it is not good and wasted money from Squadron account.

Web Officer/Web Master: Dave reports that the web site has had 1100 plus hits. This is good.

RVCC: Mike who is certified for RVCC, indicates he has no report from National. Peter has indicated he too can do the RVCC if needed should that arise.

Motion: Made by Hazel, 2nd by Chris to approve the Officers Report. Carried

New Business: A report of events from Squadron are required for upcoming District meeting April 17th, 2016. We all provided input of those events. We made note of inviting Win Hope to the May 5th, 2016 AGM. Discussion was made about the difficulty of recruiting volunteers and how important it is to focus on building the Squadron up. **Get Your Card** sign shown at prior meeting by Mike has the website on it for display where ever it gets posted. On May 4th set up for AGM will be done at SYC and help is appreciated. Let Chris know if you can help out. We will be showing appreciation for use of SYC facility to them including getting a flag. Being placed on the roster at SYC was also a part of discussion. Ossie is having name badges made for us to wear at AGM.

Motion: Made by Hazel, 2nd by Peter to adjourn the meeting. Carried. Time 8:00 pm