

MINUTES of the regular meeting of the Officers and Directors of the North Coast Ohio chapter of the Antique and Classic Boat Society, held on February 11th, 2019 at Pick's at PLX, 530 Portage Lakes Dr, Akron, Ohio. Meeting was called to order at 6:45 PM.

Present were President Dave Nau, past president Clifford Wolfe, VP Randy Hart, Treasurer Mike Rutherford, Directors Ray McFarland, Mike Matusik, Larry Prebis, Gary Kosiba, Doug Brooks and guests Jim and Char Denning, David and Daren Rosenberger, Ken Lipovich, Bernie Lemay, Ted Hall, Lucy Hunter, Gary DeShetler, Dave Williams, Bob Ashley and Deb Kosiba.

A motion was made by Gary Kosiba and seconded by Randy Hart to approve the minutes of the January 2019 meeting, motion passed.

Mike Rutherford presented the treasurer's report. Checks have been presented to cover the IX Center show expenditures. All outstanding bills have been paid. While the Chapter's balance is never published in the minutes, it is available from the treasurer. The balance remains healthy.

In the absence of Walt Stashkiw, current Membership Chairman, Dave Nau announced the membership stands at 125. Three individuals have lapsed. One new member for February. Efforts will be made to contact lapsed members.

President Dave Nau addressed the new "The Beacon". All articles have been submitted to ACBS headquarters. Waiting for second proof reading approval before printing. The first new issue is approximately twelve pages and the publishing date is scheduled before the end of February.

President Nau has asked again for a Beacon coordinator. The coordinator is needed to help in communications with ACBS headquarters. So far, no volunteers have stepped forward to assist.

Past President Cliff Wolfe explained the important impact of social media is to NCO's Presence on the "Web". Mr. Wolfe discussed his posting's on NCO's Facebook page have generated an extreme interest in followers. The term "Lurkers" was used to describe individuals looking for a group to possibly "bond to" and become interested in NCO and antique boating.

Gary Kosiba announced the current NCO web site advertising link is outdated and the listed advertisers have not supported NCO for over four years. Advertising costs were discussed for the Beacon and NCO's website. Tentative rates for a business card size ad on the web and in four issues of the Beacon would be \$100.00 for current members. Non-member rates for the four issues and web site are still to be determined. Consulting with directors absent from this meeting to continue regarding sponsor fees at a later date. Advertising fees for members and non-members will hopefully be confirmed by the May issue of the Beacon.

Recruiting efforts from the 2019 Cleveland Boat Show have possibly attracted five new candidates. Follow up by the membership chairman to be announced at a later date. Turn out at the show was somewhat limited due to adverse weather conditions. Many thanks to all members directly involved with volunteering their boats for this continuing difficult event: Ron Tromp, Ted Hall, Bob Ashley, Dave Nau and Todd Mizen.

The March 15 -17, 2019 Piston Power Show is the next NCO's event. Currently six boats are committed, and the work force volunteer sheet was passed around this evening. Contact Dave Nau if you are interested in participating in this show. Credentials for show admittance and free parking are available with sign up at no charge! Show set up is March 14th. Volunteer's needed!

The Portage Lakes Antique Boat Show is still planned as intended. Bad news is one of the sponsors, The Harbor Front Grille and Party Center. has suffered extensive water damage from a pipe breaking during the severe weather a couple of weeks ago. Repair efforts are underway with a possible May completion.

Discussion followed assessing five or ten dollars for the pre-event dinner costs to the "Outboard Motor Group". Registration fees for the show have been waived for the land display of the outboards. However, the registration fees have also included the show's pre-event dinner. The cost to NCO of the pre-event dinner is approximately \$10 per registrant. The final costs to the Outboard Motor Group will be determined at the March Meeting as PLX event personnel were not available at this meeting.

Bob Ashley, Sr, was nominated by President Nau for his "Director-at-Large" appointment. The current President has the capability to announce five director at large positions. Motion was made and seconded. All voted in favor. Congratulations Bob.

President Dave announced an event that current members might have an interest. Sylvia Chappell, a Lakeside, Ohio member of NCO, is performing in a play March 3. The name of the play "Rip Cord", a comedy is at the Playmaker Theater in Post Clinton. Lucy Hunter and Deb Kosiba presented the info regarding this event and asked for chapter support. Twelve members have agreed to attend so far, and a dinner afterwards is planned nearby. Further details to be announced. Please contact Lucy Hunter or Deb Kosiba for more info.

New business - Gary DeShetler announced his interest to pursue a Sandusky Bay or Maumee River Cruise this coming boating season. Dates are TBD and Gary will furnish more info next meeting.

Bob Ashley announced the planned Power Squadron Steak Fry @ the Akron Yacht Club this summer. More info to follow at the next meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by Gary Kosiba