

MINUTES OF A REGULAR BOARD MEETING

NORTH COAST OHIO CHAPTER, ACBS

MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2019

The meeting was held at the Upper Deck Restaurant's, upstairs banquet and ball room. The meeting began at 6:15 pm. In attendance was President, Dave Nau, Treasurer Mike Rutherford, and members Debbie Rutherford, Larry Prebis, Doug Brooks, John and Kim Vorhies, Tom and Karri Wood, Bob Ashley, Mike Matusick, Ray McFarland, Gary Kosiba, Jim Denning, Cheryl Maringer and Gil Maringer, who was asked to do these minutes in Secretary Jack Lynett's absence.

After approval of last month's minutes, Mike reported the account balance of the treasury was in good condition with just a few reimbursements for the IX show. (For security reasons the balance is not reported in these minutes). Dave next reported that Membership chairman, Walt Stashkiw called in his report of membership being at 124 with 2 new members in February, and with 6 having lapsed.

Dave next reported the NCO website had been down last week, but is now operational. He is transferring the archives of pictures and files from the old website to the new along with previous and current minutes of meetings. Dave is asking for a coordinator to take over review of material for our website. He explained the job has been made easy with the help of Dan Gyoerkoe and Stacy Dasno at ACBS headquarters who actually load up the submitted info from the coordinator. It was suggested that Dave put out an email request to all the membership for someone to step forward as coordinator.

Dave next reported the Beacon has been published with 12 pages on very nice paper. The cost was \$652. for a printing of 200. Some extras were made to distribute at the Piston Power Show and Portage Lakes Show. Since it has been a while since members received a newsletter this edition will be mailed to all members. John Vorhies recommended an email be sent to all members saying that a previous list of those accepting emailed copies will be used in the future to avoid postage cost and to ask others to consider receiving the Beacon that way.

A discussion about NCO social media efforts was tabled since Cliff Wolfe could not attend. Cliff has been most familiar with our social media situation.

Dave next gave a report on the Akron Boat Show recently held at the downtown Knight Convention Center. NCO had been offered a space for one boat to be there at no cost. Because the show is considerably smaller than the IX it was felt that we would not plan to participate at this event.

The upcoming Piston Power Show was reviewed beginning with the show set up being Thursday 3/14 at 9:00 am, enter through door 35. The NCO space will be F 967. Dave will pick up the show credentials and distribute them to local attendees. Exhibitors will have 3 day passes and workers 1 day passes with free parking. Credentials must be obtained in advance or else full price admission of \$20 and parking of \$10 will be required to enter. The NCO exhibit will have all the boats that were in the January IX show along with John and Kim's 20' Elite Craft. After the show we will have to decide where to move the NCO storage trailer and the donated Cruiser's Inc boat. The trailer may require some outfitting with shelves and floor painting so a location where it can be worked on is needed.

We discussed what to do with the donated boat. Gil will check with Jack Lynett to see if he has the titles for the boat and motor. Once we are clear to transfer the boat an email to members will be sent

asking for "Father/Son" members who may want to take possession and refresh the boat to participate in NCO. If none step forward the boat may be offered as a promotion of some kind at the Portage Lakes Show. Tom Wood offered to shrink wrap the boat with his equipment if needed.

Gil next reported on the Portage Lakes Show. He stated there is potential for another excellent event with a number of freshly restored boats coming, including some people from the Cincinnati area who are bringing a Cruisers Inc outboard and who with friends have taken 3 of the rooms at Turkeyfoot Island Club for Friday and Saturday nights. The Outboard Motor Club has committed to at least 6 boats and a wide array of outboard motors. Gil mentioned we need photos to put together a poster emphasizing outboards as this year's theme. We decided to charge \$10. for guests of boat registrants to attend the complimentary Friday night cocktail party which will be held at the Pick's at PLX restaurant. For boat registrants the party will be free, but motor only registrants will be invited, and will be charged \$10. Instead of open bar the NCO will provide a certain selection of beer and wine, but also have a cash bar for more expensive drinks if participants wish to purchase them. Outboard motor show registrants with motors only will have registration fees waived, as voted and approved at the February 11, 2019 NCO board meeting. They will also be given a rolled poster as compared to boat owner registrants who will receive a framed poster for their \$20 registration fee. Show registration forms will be put on the website and be available around the first of April.

Dave mentioned that NCO has received 5 raffle tickets from headquarters for the scholarship program. The tickets cost \$100 each and in the past we have taken 3. Through the raffle \$30,000 is raised with 5 training schools receiving \$5,000 each from ACBS, and the remaining \$5,000 given away to winning ticket holders. The winners of the drawing are announced at the international show in September. It was moved to purchase 3 of the tickets.

Gary Kosiba mentioned that the Wine Country Chapter's show in Hammondsport New York in July is being well attended by a group of NCO members and that registration forms for the show are now available.

Bob Ashley said the steak fry cruise on Portage Lakes held in conjunction with the Akron Power Squadron is not certain for this season.

Dave asked around the room who was attending the Tavares show. Dave, Gil and Cheryl Maringer, Walt and Kathy Stashkiw, Jack Lynett, Bernie LeMay, and Ken Lipovitch are planning to be there. A larger group is already planning to attend the international show.

The next NCO board meeting is scheduled for TUESDAY, APRIL 9 at PICK'S RESTAURANT 6:00 PM. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Gil Maringer