

MINUTES
FISHING & BOATING CLUB MEETING
Friday, March 7, 2025

The March meeting of the KCB Fishing and Boating Club was called to order by Commodore Tim Husel at 6:01 PM at Marble Hall. Following the safety briefing, Tim asked all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance and stated the purpose of the club. Veterans and first responders were acknowledged, along with past commodores and charter members. Clam bake captains were also asked to stand.

Motion was made by Diane Slusher and seconded by Sue Redding to accept the executive board's reports.

Treasurer Tricia Evangelista reported a \$38,000 balance and that current donations will be posted on the website. Clam bake totals were tallied, and it was noted that the wheelbarrow of cheer and 50-50 winners donated their winnings back to the club. Motion to accept by Chet Dunn and seconded by Joe Schmidt.

Commodore Husel reported 142 members and 42 non-members volunteered for the clambake. Record ticket sales were noted (\$15,518) and 41 sponsors participated for a record profit of \$18,365.

Recording Secretary Kandi Kelderman had nothing to report.

Membership Secretary Pat Fischer stated that the end-of-season dinner tickets were available, and Sue Redding reported what was included in ticket price. Pat reminded everyone that dues are the same for next year and must be paid by the November meeting. The 140 RSVPs for the meeting matched up with the attendance for the first time ever according to Pat Fischer.

Director-at-Large Joe Schmidt reported that the new boat burgees are available for \$25, \$50 with a stand, and reminded everyone to wear red for vets on Fridays.

Director of Fundraising Freddie Foster said the Ron Sutton Memorial Kids Fishing Derby was tentatively scheduled for June 11 but was moved to June 18 so that the Sutton family could attend. The committee's first meeting will be in April. Freddie thanked Dave Hammer for a \$1250 donation.

The Tournament Director's report was given by Commodore Husel along with this month's winner announcements. Dean Williamson is planning a shootout tournament for a non-windy day. The club was reminded to check the club's website for April contests. Chet Dunn asked for interest regarding a Cape Sable boat trip.

Past Commodore Sue Redding thanked the club for raising \$900 for Marshall, an integral part of the Rick Lieder Band.

Vice Commodore Carman Slusher congratulated Commodore Tim, the city of KCB, and Gerry DuBois from the Moose Lodge for all their help with the clambake, and a big shout-out to all the clambake captains and volunteers.

Bob Merna thanked the sponsors for the golf tournament and said the roster was full this year.

Reporting for Steve DeCrow, Commodore Husel announced that twelve entries were already confirmed for the December boat parade. Husel also reported that the club had extra shirts and Captain Hook's certificates for sale.

Ron Teke reminded the club of rod building at the end of March and the full moon raft-up on March 14.
Larry Smoot reminded everyone of the St. Patty's Day parade on March 17, line-up at 4:30 PM.

OLD BUSINESS

Commodore Tim asked for a motion regarding a vote on the proposed bylaws changes. Jon Graves made a motion to accept revised bylaws. Jerry Regan seconded this. After a show of hands, the motion carried with a two-thirds majority. Next year will be the final term of the current board. Nominations and submissions encouraged for next year.

Tim also reminded members of the end-of-season dinner at the Cabana Club at 5:30 PM on March 29.
Karen and Joey Raspe and Dirk and Irene Diehl oversaw the bar tonight. Kitty Sutton and Jan Pflueger ran the 50/50 and Larry Eliassen organized the set-up and take-down associated with the club meeting.

Ted Fischer from the KCBCA reminded everyone of the band at Sunset Park this Sunday from 4-6 PM.

Vice Commodore Slusher reminded everyone to make sure their work hours are recorded and to sign up early next fall.

George Wilson stated that rod builder Billy O'Brien will be at the next club meeting.

A motion was made to adjourn. Freddie Foster and Sam Zaydon supported the motion.

Submitted by Kandi Kelderman
Recording Secretary