

MINUTES
FISHING & BOATING CLUB MEETING
Friday, December 5, 2025

The December meeting of the KCB Fishing and Boating Club was called to order by Commodore Tim Husel at 6:00PM at Marble Hall. Following the safety briefing, Tim asked all to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Tim Husel introduced Matt Anthony, owner of Sparky's, and the club made a \$500 donation to the Pigeon Key Christmas Fund. Members can learn more about Pigeon Key at PigeonKey.net.

Tim Husel introduced Kris Digiovanni, KCB Chief of Police. Kris provided a boat lift safety presentation.

Tim Husel reminded the membership of the purpose of the club, recognized veterans, first responders and past commodores, welcomed members and new members, introduced Michele Montgomery acting as recording secretary for this meeting and introduced the balance of the executive board - himself, Joe Schmidt, Sue Redding, Tricia Evangelista, Dean Williamson, Carman Slusher, Pat Fischer, Freddie Foster, and John Fruhmorgen.

Motion was made by Flo Schmidt and seconded by Sue Redding to accept the minutes from the November meeting.

Treasurer's report was made by Tricia Evangelista and details of all are in her report. Trish reminded the membership to support our sponsors. Motion to accept made by Chet Dunn and seconded by Freddie Foster.

Membership Secretary Pat Fischer acknowledged that members advised they are not receiving emails. She suggested all check their spam folder. The club intends to use Facebook more to communicate to members to join the "Key Colony Beach Fishing and Boating Club" group on Facebook. Volunteer signups are available here at the meeting. New Year's Eve tickets are available for purchase.

A cake was presented to Tim Husel to recognize his birthday.

Director-at-Large Joe Schmidt reminded the membership to wear red on Friday in honor of Remember Everyone Deployed. Joe reminded everyone that burgees are available for \$25, stands for \$35 or \$50 for both.

Fundraising Director John Fruhmorgen thanked the membership for gifts for kids brought to the meeting. He requested volunteers for meeting dinners for the next four months. Freddie Foster and Ron Teke volunteered. John recognized a member for a \$1000 donation to La Nina toy drive; John also recognized Jose Remon for 15 gifts for kids.

Director of Fundraising Freddie Foster passed the hat for gift cards for the needy with balance to go to KAIR. Tables for dinner were a hit.

Past Commodore Sue Redding thanked John Fruhmorgen for his efforts with La Niña.

Vice Commodore Carman Slusher thanked Larry Eliason for setting up tables. He reminded the membership of the need to break down tables after. Going forward Larry needs 6 to set up. Carman reminded the membership that Pat maintains volunteer sign-up sheets and that the club needs to start organizing for the annual clambake now as to volunteers and shirts, etc. Costs for shirts are expected to be +24%. Carman thanked KCB Police Chief Digiovanni

for his boat lift presentation. Carman reminded the membership of KCBF&BC sponsorship of 1/11/26 Police in the Park event. Carman thanked the city of KCB for the new kitchen.

Doug Colonell of KCB City Commission advised that the contract for city hall renovation was signed today and renovations should be completed in nine months, or September 2026. The club should be able to meet at Marble hall for the rest of the season.

Freddie Foster discussed retention pond updates which included 4,000 plants attracting many birds already.

Steve DeCrow provided a boat parade update - 13 -14 boats anticipated. Cash prizes to be awarded to each participant and volunteer credit hours also available.

The Tournament Director's report was given by Dean Williamson, along with this month's winner announcements and prizes were awarded to the winners. Detailed winners are available online at <https://keycolonyfishing.com/tournaments/tournament-results-by-year/>. Previous anglers were also honored. Val Linderborn was recognized as Angler of the Year. Dean is working to set up Friday Fish talks for February and March - to be held 1 hour before the monthly meeting.

Ron Teke announced that the club had a good turnout for the full moon raft up 12/4/25 - with 8 boats. For the March raft up he has arranged for Rick and Dayna to provide entertainment. More details to follow.

NEW BUSINESS

A by-law amendment was sent out by email to the membership for voting by membership at the January meeting. Joe Schmidt will head up a nominating committee - he needs two volunteers. Members interested should contact Joe. Tim advised that he intends to run for Commodore again.

Tim reminded the membership to support our sponsors - we rely heavily on sponsorship so please take time to identify who our sponsors are and support them as often as possible. While we try to promote these sponsors when possible, they can also be found on keycolonyfishing.com where all of the club's information is available.

Reminder to please clean up after yourselves. Members are responsible for stacking the chairs, putting the tables away and making sure the floors are clean for whomever is using the facility next. Also, please allow executives to bypass the line to get their dinner.

Thanks were given to the Greeters, Sis and Frank Tremblay as well as ticket sales and volunteer list helper Denise DeCrow. The delicious meal was sponsored by Cindy and Bill Catto. Servers tonight were Sandy Bachman, Tom DiFransico, Lynn Goodwin, Debbie and Jeff Burmeister and Tom Lee. The 50/50 Raffle was handled tonight by Kitty Sutton and Connie White. Set up was done by Larry Eliassen and club members.

Freddie Foster raised \$590 for Hunger drive and made a motion that the club match it. Motion was seconded by Joe Schmidt.

Motion was made by Sis Tremblay to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Pat Fischer.

Submitted by Michele Montgomery
December 5, 2025

