



**Minutes of Bridge Meeting
Devon Middle School 1900h
September 13, 2005**

Present:

Dave Nickerson, Rik Hall, Ginette Ouellette, Derek Tellenbach, Rama Gupta-Rogers, Wayne Redstone, Don Grant

Regrets: Mohamed El-Bayoumi, Dave Gamblin, Janice Haig, John Van Abbema, David Estey

1. Approval of Minutes June 21, 2005

The Bridge Meeting was called to order by Commander Dave Nickerson at 1904h. A motion to accept the Minutes of June 21, 2005 was made by Rik Hall, seconded by Rama Gupta-Rogers, and carried.

2. Matters Arising from the Minutes

There were no matters from the minutes.

3. Additions to the Agenda

The CPS-Fredericton Web site was added to the Agenda, Dave Nickerson and Rik Hall are going to try a few things to see if they can post some updates to the web site as they have not been able to make changes since March 2005.

4. Officers Reports

Training Report Wayne Redstone discussed the proposed time table of courses for the 2005-2006 training season. He discussed that the information in two courses might be stale dated (Power Boating and Marine Electronics) with no new literature at District.

The Instructors for the Piloting course are looking to introduce a new component into the course. They plan to use a new book called the "Weekend Navigator" by Robert Sweet and incorporate it into the second half of the course.

Wayne received a call from Mr. Dale Johnston from the Oromocto Fire Department, looking for a course on VHF radio for 30-50 people in November. The proposed price would be \$75.00 with cost of \$24.00 (\$12.00 for the book and \$12.00 for the card).

Promotion for the courses. Wayne discussed various methods that would help with enrolment in the courses. He would like to see someone call the former students to see if there was interest in taking any courses. For example, students who took the boating course a few years ago, is there any interest in taking piloting. Students who took Piloting, are they interested in taking Advance Piloting or other courses etc. Wayne believed if someone actually called these students we may be able to increase enrolment.

Don told us that the information could be pulled from our data base. Once the information is available someone will approach Mr. Graham Allen to see if he would be interested in making the calls.

There was a copy of the new Boating book which was passed around.

Wayne also suggested radio spots, newspaper ads, and boat shows.

Wayne also stated that if there were enough students we could always put on any course.

Registration - Monday and Tuesday October 3 & 4, 2005 from 1900-2000 at the SCAC.

There was a sheet of meanings and definitions that describe the terminology on the price list. There was an increase in cost for most of the kits and books (about \$10.00 per course). This cost has been added to the new proposed price list for 2005 – 2006 and on the motion of Wayne Redstone and seconded by Rik Hall, and carried to accept the new 2005-2006 price list.

List of instructors was reviewed a few new names came forward and a correction in spelling. As more people look at this list the more accurate it will become.

On Motion of Wayne Redstone seconded by Ginette Ouellette and carried to accept his verbal report.

Social Report Rama Gupta-Rogers presented her verbal report. Rama discussed various options with various hotels around the city (Silverwood, Ecole Sainte Anne) for the 2005 Christmas Party. There were a few new locations and venues suggested. Where this would be the first CPS Christmas Diner that Rama will attend, she has a few concerns about the expectations and price. Ginette Ouellette has volunteered to help out Rama with the selection of the location and the snack food. They will work together and

report back at the next Bridge meeting with their location for the 2005 CPS Christmas Party.

David Nickerson suggested a name as a possible Guest speaker for the Christmas Dinner. David Nickerson will contact Mohamed El-Bayoumi to make contact with him to see he would be available for the Christmas Dinner.

Motion to approve the verbal report was made by Rama Gutpa-Rogers seconded by Ginette Ouellette and carried.

Nauti Pro Ginette Ouellette stated there was nothing to report.

Executive Officers Report An email from Mohamed El-Bayoumi reference to the great job Rama and Matthew did on the Summer Corn Boil event August 27, 2005. A job well done.

Binnacle an email from Janice Haig requesting submissions for the Fall Binnacle should be by September 16, 2005.

- Commander David Nickerson will write a report
- Past Commander Rik Hall will write a story
- Training officer Wayne Redstone will update course schedule and submit
- If anyone else has information or a story, please submit them all to Janice Haig.

Boat Pro Report Don Grant gave a verbal report. There is a possibility of putting on a course for the NBEPC in St. Stephen.

Membership report Don Grant stated the membership for 2005-2006 is **202**, down almost 20%.

5. Next Bridge Meeting – Tuesday, October 11, 2005

6. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Ginette Ouellette at 2036h.

Minutes Recorded by Derek Tellenbach
Secretary