



In attendance:

Rick Le Blanc (D)
Mar Smith (D)
David Taylor (D)
Raimund Krob (A)
Marianne Collins (A)
Dave Noble (A)
Bruce Beattie – EUC
Wayne Plumb – RC Ontario East 2
Ken Boyce – RC Ontario Central West
Brant Telfer – OUE
Ayisha Hassanali – (A)

Absent:

Stephen Weir – (A)
Joe Sildiryan - RC Ont. Central East
David Sheppard – RC Ont North West
Chris Fields – RC Ontario West

On the bridge

Listener

Regrets:

Doug Rosser FSE

Meeting called to order 19:40

I have a note about Wayne reporting that POW was back in the fold and something about a commercial op running POW

3 Directors present - Quorum is met.

Regional Coordinator's Reports:

Ontario East 2 Wayne Plumb

POW was back in the fold

Ontario East 1 Vacant

No Report

Ontario Central East Joe Sildiryan

No Report

Ontario Central West Ken Boyce

Sent emails to all the clubs in my district and some replied back.

OUE (Ontario Underwater Explorers) is having their scuba swap event at the Olympian in Etobicoke on sat April 20th and used gear for sale at this event can be dropped off on April 19 between 6 to 9pm.

HHUC (Hart House Underwater Club) had their annual recognition night on march 9 and had very positive views from participating at the outdoor adventure show. They also wanted to thank Raimund and myself for help them out at this event

They do have two questions (inquires really) to ask the OUC. First, has OUC had any contact



with Ripley's Aquarium about volunteer opportunities for scuba clubs with them or should clubs themselves pursue this individually? Secondly, are there any plans to re-schedule Rob Stewart for a lecture? HHUC could possibly provide a venue for a public lecture (HHUC pres. such be contacted with regards to this)

EUC (Etobicoke Underwater Club) had their family night on March 14 and is participating in the daily food bank public sorting day on March 30 and is holding a community clean-up event on Sunday April 21. Also, Art Penney of EUC is looking for used dive gear, foreign currency club stickers to be placed on a boat that he is planning on sinking at Innerkip on the third weekend of May (the weekend before the long weekend). Also he is planning on repairing, making a reef for Lake Simcoe once again this year if things go according to plans (details to come later) and all are welcome to join in.

Ontario South Position vacant

No Report

Ontario West Chris Fields

No Report

Ontario North Position Vacant

No report

Ontario North West David Sheppard

Board of Director's Reports:

Rick Le Blanc, President

Ice Floe Race – Recap. Review Dave, Marianne's and Jennifer's emails. See the 3 attachments. Planning started in May 2012, 5 teams competed, several hundred hours volunteered, \$492.72 loss. Comments and feedback seems that some people/clubs would have preferred a Saturday banquet, dinner, dancing and drinking atmosphere. Website IFR page will stay posted until April 15th.

The Board has approved solo diving. Review Dave's recap of the bylaws. See attached

Review Outdoor Adventure Show participation, traffic flow at booth was very good. We handed out about 130 Scuba Directories. Could have used some pamphlets/brochures from the Hamilton/Niagara area and Northern Ontario.

Google Club Calendar needs to be better implemented. Any suggestions??

NDA Shipwreck Symposium is April 6th in Welland. Who can man the OUC booth?

Ripley Aquarium. I made contact with Melissa Jurchison, Sales & Marketing Coordinator in February. They will release prices in April and will welcome tours from our scuba clubs. AND NO we will not be allowed in the Aquarium tank ☹.... Yet!!



Marlyn Smith, Director of Sport Safety:

Update on SCUBA Incident and Prevention Report – Nothing to report

Update on SDSAP – Scuba diver safety awareness program- nothing to report

Rick Le Blanc Membership Director

Update on clubs and Commercial members: Brian to forward numbers before the meeting. 18 clubs members, 16 commercial members, 10 students and 633 individual members

Clubs are to submit their membership updates and payments each month.

The Shipwreck Preservation Society of Newfoundland & Labrador Inc. would like to join OUC because of our Liability policy. Neil Burgess, President, would like more info. They donated the Ocean Quest prizes to the IFR.

Director of Communications position vacant

David Taylor Director of Finance

The big news is that Compressors Systems has gone out of business. Doug and Cindy have been reworking the books to remove CS from Accounts Receivable. We already had a \$10,000 allowance for them but now another \$7,000 has to be written off. My numbers suggest that the collection agency reduced the original amount from \$21,000 to \$17,000. I have not seen the new version of the books. The following are from Doug's Balance sheet received last week and the Profit and Loss received today.

March 19	
BMO,M/C,Visa	\$10,206.98
A/R	\$ 9,160.95
A/R FSE	\$ 9,892.77
A/P	\$13,645.80

Membership fees from club members is down about \$2000 compared to last year

Net income to date, \$10,772

Portfolio Coordinator Reports:

Marianne Collins Advisor, Insurance Coordinator and Ontario Diver newsletter editor;
No Report

David Noble Advisor to the Director of Sport Safety, Webmaster
Website update

Discuss Membership “Policy” document created in November. See attached



Raimund Krob, Past President and Advisor to President:

Raimund will put together a Power Presentation for the Outdoor Adventure Show. This presentation can be used by all the clubs at the Demo Dive Tank to aid them with presenting scuba diving to the general public. Rick will distribute this presentation to the clubs.

Administrative Office Reports:

Nothing to report at this meeting

Old business:

Nothing at this meeting

New/other business:

Adjourned Meeting as of 21:05hrs

Next meeting: **April 16th**, 19:30hrs.

Reference Documentation: None