

Meeting called to order by Cdr Anna Morris, AP at 7:00 p.m. Absent were: Angelina Stanley, Tom Thompson, and Addie Kimbril. No invocation or Pledge of Allegiance. Cdr Morris reserved the right to change the order of business to expedite the meeting. No objections. Cdr Morris called a recess at 7:01 p.m. and introduced Alan Forino, store manager of West Marine, Brandon where Tampa Squadron holds boating classes. Mr. Forino gave a "show and tell" session of boating safety and what items can assist you while boating. Cdr Morris reconvened the meeting at 7:56 p.m. A quorum was present.

Secretary -- P/D/C Alta M. Mullins, SN -- Motions in the minutes of the 1 March 2012 General Membership Meeting were read. **Motion made, seconded, and passed to approve the 1 March 2012 General Membership Meeting minutes as read and posted on the website. Motion made, seconded, and passed to waive the reading of the 29 March 2012 Executive Committee Meeting minutes, since they were posted on the website and were approved at the 26 April 2012 Executive Committee Meeting. Motion made, seconded, and passed to waive the reading of the 26 April 2012 Executive Committee Meeting minutes until the next Executive Committee Meeting, since they are posted on the website.** Alta announced the new bylaws of Tampa Power Squadron became effective 29 March 2012 and are on the website. Anyone wanting a copy, Alta will mail them a copy.

Treasurer – Lt/C Thomas C. Thompson, S -- No report due to his absence.

Administrative Officer – Lt/C Angelina A. Stanley, S -- No report due to her absence.

Educational Officer – Lt/C Scott Morris, P -- Six students attended the 7 April Boating Class at Town and Country Library. 1 passed; 4 still need to take the exam. The next Boating Class will be 19 May at West Marine in Brandon with 6 registered to date. A new version of the ABC Boating Course manual has been printed. Scott will order one copy to review the new manual.

Executive Officer -- Lt/C George J. Martin, SN -- George announced he has flyers of the D/22 Fall Conference 5-6 October 2012 for anyone interested. D/22 C&R will be at Burnt Store, 8-11 November 2012.

Commander – Cdr Anna Morris, AP -- Anna announced Margaret Hewitt had given the Squadron \$10.00 as a Short Blast Booster. Anyone else wishing to donate \$10.00 per member to the *Short Blast* Booster Club, please do so.

A USPS Ensign has been donated by John Luce, who was a Power Squadron member years ago in the New York area when the boating course was taught from Chapman's. Anna is encouraging Mr. Luce to join Tampa Squadron.

Bob Dougherty has revised the timing of the ABC Boating Course.

The deadline for the 11 May DB200 Workshop in Ft. Myers is 5 May, Anna and Angie are attending.

Those attending the D/22 Spring Conference were: Anna Morris, Scott Morris, George Martin, John Orr, and Alta Mullins. At the "Nifty 50's" party on Friday night, Anna won the prize for "best costume".

Scott made and donated a cutting board for the silent auction.

At the Commander's Meeting, the commanders approved for each squadron to donate \$15.00 for the Youth Poster Contest.

Awards won by Tampa Squadron at the D/22 Fall Conference were:

Education Fund Certificate of Merit – 23 years

Distinction in Journalism Award for the Short Blast

Website Excellence Award

"Doing It Right" Certificate

D/C's Outstanding Service Award for participating in the D/22 Fall 2011 Hospitality Party

Tampa won a "5-Star" Award for 2011

Two new District awards, donated by Crystal River Squadron for VSEs accomplished were won by Crystal River.

At the last Executive Committee Meeting at Chili's Restaurant, the room that had been reserved, was not made private, due to the small number of Squadron members attending; therefore, a new site for Executive Committee Meetings is in order.

Anna has tentatively reserved Shelter #14 at Ft DeSoto Park on 24 March 2013. Fee will be \$56.25, if approved.

**Old Business:** Ken Halverson asked if the VHS radio he had donated as a raffle prize for the Cardboard Boat Race, still worked. Scott Morris will exam it and advise at a later date.

**New Business:** None

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

P/D/C Alta M. Mullins, SN, Secretary

Minutes read at Executive Committee Meeting on: \_\_\_\_\_

Minutes approved on: \_\_\_\_\_