

International Order of the Blue Gavel

The Association of Past Commodores

IOBG Zoom Board of Directors Meeting October 16, 2020

Call to Order: President Sherry Barone called the meeting to order at 11:15 a.m. PDT.

Roll Call of Executive Committee: Present: President Sherry Barone, Past President Tony Durieux, President Elect Buzz Bisanz, 1st Vice President Mark Vadaj, 2nd Vice President Kathy Smith, Treasurer Marshall Nemoy, and Executive Secretary Mary Nye Meyer. Auditing: SWVP Shelia Anderson, NCVP Steve Hyder, SEVP Karen Shea, and NWVP Jim Martinson. Appointed Officers Present: Recording Secretary Marsha Landreth. Absent: NEVP Steve Tisack. Legal Officer Joe Dowdell

Quorum: A quorum was present.

Approval of Agenda: Buzz moved to approve the agenda; Kathy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Presentation of Past Presidents: Past President Steve Willing District 5, Past President Rosalie Davies Green District 11, and Past President Tony Durieux District 7 were introduced.

Self-Introduction of Members: Butch Brown District 1 and Tom Shideler District 16 were present.

Approval of Minutes: Mark moved to approve the minutes; Buzz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – Marshall reported that for the eight months ended August 31, 2020 IOBG has a net income of \$42,150 which is \$33,769 better than budget and \$22,291 greater than last year at this date. Most of the good fortune was due to the lack of travel expenses. Our net income was \$22,291 higher than last year. This occurred in spite of the doubling of allotment for the Annual Meeting and the late payment in February for travel costs to the 2019 Annual Meeting. Our Balance sheet still indicates a healthy financial position. Financial Sept 30, \$39,814 net income.

1st VP's Report – Mark Vadaj reported that communication is the key. Questions on uniform, etc., although in Log, Lighthouse, etc., cannot replaces human contact.

President-Elect's Report – Buzz reminded everyone that the Executive Meeting will begin at 11:00 tomorrow, and that the Annual Meeting will begin at 11:30. Voting will be cut off at 12:30. Regional Meeting will begin at 3:00 and will mainly discuss appointments for next year.

Inductions will take place at 5:00 with Steve Willing as MC. AVPs were instructed to call directors to vote.

2nd VP Report's – Kathy reserved her report for tomorrow.

Past President's Report – Tony reserved his report for tomorrow.

Executive Secretary's Report – Mary gave instructions on Zoom meetings left.

NWVP's Report – Jim reported on activities in the NW.

SWVP's Report – Shelia reported on activities in the SW. She thanked Sherry for her leadership.

NCVP's Report – Steve reserved his report for tomorrow. He thanked Sherry and Mary for their hard work.

NEVP's Report – Sherry reported for Steve saying that they used the money to repay members' dues.

SEVP's Report – Karen thanked Sherry for two years of work.

Appointed Officers' Reports

Communication Officer's Report – Log articles due Oct 31, send electronically.

Protocol Officer's Report – Marsha reported that the newest edition of Robert's Rules came out in September and suggested purchasing a copy as many confusing rules are explained in this edition.

Boat US – Marshall reported.

Membership – Mark reported that efforts to mine membership in areas without a foothold for District 50 are underway.

Old Business

Ratification needs to be voted on by directors and alternates tomorrow.

Rosarian – Sherry reported that the Rosarians might not have a meeting next year. Buzz - it is not on the scheduled as it is \$16,000 expensive in travel. The timing is too close to either winter or summer meetings. He will try to have a Regional Meeting April 23-24 in Atlanta, followed by meeting in Cleveland in Oct. Buzz returned \$5,000+, Sherry reported that the EC rolled over money from this year to next. Sherry thinks that the Rosarian meeting should continue the long-standing tradition. Tony believes half of the members are from the west and should not be cut off from the Portland meetings. A heated debate continued on the virtue of spending IOBGs

money. Steve Willing reported that it angers people that they are paying for the trip, which has nothing to do with boating. Mark reported that he looked up to Lou Key and he has met many wonderful people in Portland; however, the knighting ceremony acts like a carrot. Why not have a knighting at the annual ball, which would save a lot of money? Marshall reported that there are more members on the west coast. Sherry feels it is an opportunity to increase membership. The Rosarians are not interested in knighting at balls. Buzz reported that IOBG has not gained members in the area for the last three years. He will move to take the money to go to Portland out of the budget tomorrow.

Canadian-USA Border Closing – Steve reported that the officials close the border for only 30 days at a time. He can fly, but must quarantine 14 days on each side of the trip, making it difficult to go to IOBG meetings.

Ballots – Tom Shideler reported that they have received only 20. Contact all directors and alternate directors.

Adjournment: Mark moved to adjourn the meeting; Mary seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marsha Landreth Recording Secretary