

International Order of Blue Gavel

District 8 Spring Meeting

Lighthouse Point Yacht Club April 8, 2017

The IOBG District 8 Meeting was held on Saturday April 8, 2017 at Lighthouse Point Yacht Club in Lighthouse Point, Florida.

On Friday Evening cocktails and appetizers were served at 1830 hours followed by a celebration for the club's 50 years and a Past Commodore's Ball with a formal dinner and live entertainment. President Peter Franck presented Commodore Leslie Baron with a commemorative plaque thanking the Corinthians, Lighthouse Point Yacht Club and the Reichard Family for their support and hosting the weekend.

Saturday the business meeting was held at 1030 hours. We were honored to have PC Joe Tringali as the guest speaker. He shared a presentation with an explanation of several yacht club traditions and customs that was educational and entertaining.

Lunch was held at 1230 hours and was a salad bar buffet. At 1730 hours PC Jim and Fader Reichard hosted cocktails and appetizers at their home. Followed by dinner at Caps Place Restaurant.

Business Meeting

President Peter Franck called the meeting to order at 1030 hours. The invocation was by Past President Bill Pittman. President Elect Doug Case led the members in the Pledge of Allegiance. Moment of silence was asked for our men and women in the Armed Services.

Secretary Heather Wood did a roll call of the Executive Committee Peter Franck, Douglas Case, Joseph Dombrowski, Dennis Bosi, Heather Wood, Rosemary Kailey Krieger, Robert Bisanz and Joe Dowdell were present. Shaun Graser, Robert Pease and Karen Shea were absent. President Franck said he excused them. There was 17 members present at the meeting.

Secretary Heather Wood thanked everyone and requested a motion to waive reading the minutes President Franck and second by Jerry Maguire and carried. Secretary Wood asked if there were any changes to the minutes that have been posted as "Draft" from October 8, 2016 meeting being none a motion was made to approve them by President Franck second by Jerry Maguire and carried. Secretary Wood gave a report on working on getting information out to the whole membership and working on getting all emails correct. Fabulous job being done by Dennis Bosi and Karen Shea with the spreadsheets.

Dennis Bosi presented a treasurer's report. As of January 1, 2017 \$7764.22. Income from membership was \$14725 and supplies/website \$390.00 for a total of \$22099.22. International Dues expenses totaled \$11285.00 resulting in a balance of \$10814.22.

March 3, 2017 we had 225 paid members in 25 active charters. New members 11 and 3 have passed away. Bill Pittman made motion to accept the treasurer's report second by Heather Wood and carried.

President Frank requested everyone stand introduce themselves, their title and club.

Southeast Regional Vice President Buzz Bisanz presented the District Director Karen Shea's report and spoke of the meeting for International that held at Clearwater Yacht Club. Director Shea has been working very hard for our district on membership growth and retention along with her outstanding job on communication to the membership.

To read District Director Karen Shea's report for our district that was sent to International see attached link.

Buzz Bisanz gave a report and spoke on the next international meeting in Portland on June 7, 2017. Spoke of updates that Mary Nye Meyers is doing on the website please check IOBG.org often and the Humanitarian Foundation is now taking donations directly on their website.

To read Southeast Regional Vice President Buzz Bisanz's report for our district that was sent to International see attached Link.

Past International President Joe Dowdell reported that Florida has many votes for if they want make changes on the International level band together and not vote with your feet but get involved. There was a discussion of the Commodore Club of America and on reaching out to area clubs and to strengthen membership.

A brief discussion on the bylaws that President Franck wants changed. He said he would work on it and get back to the board. Joe Dowdell suggested following procedures and bring to International for approval before going forward.

Jim Nuzzo spoke about beautiful Isles Yacht Club and the next meeting planned there.

With New Business Secretary Heather Wood requested dual membership to North Palm Beach Yacht Club and Lighthouse Point Yacht Club IOBG membership starting with herself.

Meeting adjourned at 1136 hours.

Please read our Directors Reports that represent our district and have traveled across the country with great expense and dedication and check IOBG.org website often.

Submitted by Secretary Heather Wood