

## Central California Council of Diving Clubs, Inc.



### Minutes of the Super Blue Moon Meeting of January 31, 2018

**Call to Order** – at 7:36 PM by Jim Kaller

Present were Carol Rose, Manuel Mangrobang, and Larry Ankuda.

**Membership** –Carol

Cen-Cal memberships received so far is a whopping 10. USOA dues were received from 7 members.

**Financial Report**—Carol

In 2017 we received \$2595 in dues, \$1150 for insurance, \$60 in meet fees, and \$180 of USOA dues, for a total income of \$3985. That year our outgo was \$2000 for insurance, \$1000 for the scholarship, \$343 for postage, \$225 for printing, \$180 USOA dues, and \$300 misc for a total of \$4048.

We have budgeted the following expenses for 2018: insurance \$2000, scholarship \$1000, PO box rent \$134, stamps \$100, office expenses \$100, RAAC hosting \$200, for a total of \$3634. We expect the following income: dues (90 x \$15) \$2850, added insureds \$1500, for a total of \$4350.

**Website**—Larry

Possible methods of handling annual risk waiver were discussed. The website is now set up so that a user initials a box on website that they have read and agree to Cen-Cal's waiver, which is then emailed from the website along with their name and contact information to Cen-Cal membership. This was deemed to be not enough definite proof that the user was aware of what was being processed and may not hold up in court. Manuel, who is a website administrator, has had instances where legal documents must be sent by USPS or FedEx. It was decided that a user must download the risk waiver to paper, complete and sign it, then submit it to Cen-Cal membership, either by (1) scanning the completed document and emailing it or (2) mailing it via USPS. Since these are two

step processes it should verify that the user took affirmative action. The membership chair would then have to keep the received forms archived, which Carol has been doing.

### **Scholarship**—

Thinking about 2018, Jim selected an April 30 cut-off date for receiving applications. Larry will get the website updated and Jim will make out a notice flyer.

### **UW Hockey**—Carol

A new club exists in Vacaville started by Carolyn Erdman who moved from S.F.

Unfortunately the pool is now closed for refurbishing until about July.

The Battle of Altitude in Denver was held January 26-28, 2018, but Carol did not have results yet.

A CanAm tournament will be held Feb 10-11 in Orlando.

Atlantic Coast Championships (ACC) will be April 13-15, 2018 in Quebec.

2018 U/W Hockey Nationals will be June 8-10 in Denver.

The World meet are will be in Quebec City in July, between the 8<sup>th</sup> and the 28<sup>th</sup>. Teams are now forming.

A Pacific Coast Championship meet will be held in the fall.

### **Photography**—Jim

The Monterey Shootout dates will be set shortly.

Backscatter is having a class on Friday, March 2 for anyone interested.

Other areas in the country have become more active, said Jim. Carol noted that FSDA has been reinvigorated and will host a photo competition (as well as the 2018 spearfishing meet).

### **UW Fin Swimming**—Carol

The World Cup will not happen this year, due to a lack of enlightened leadership. It is now being looked at for 2019.

### **UW Rugby**—Carol

Sea Bass, a Cen-Cal UWR team, will host a one day (8 hour) potluck tournament on April 15, 2018; in the Los Gatos H. S. pool. Invitations are forthcoming. Sea Bass routinely plays at Eagle Pool in Mt. View and also at Martin Luther King Pool in San Francisco.

The Junior (under 21) World Championships will be in Germany over our Thanksgiving weekend. It will be a four day tournament.

### **Skin Spearfishing**—Brandi

The current balance in the bank account balance is \$15,426.20. We reimbursed Glem McGuire for updating the Voit, Kate Miller, and Owen Churchill trophies. All three are now up to date and being housed at the Freedive Shop in Sacramento.

The 2017 National meet which Cen-Cal hosted received \$5720,00 in dues and \$6046.50 from apparel, etc. and \$4260.00 banquet fees. Expenses were \$1866.70 for business (insurance, PayPal, and World Team fees), \$12,439.50 for hosting (facilities, apparel, awards, USOA bid, program), and \$936.93 misc (telephone, website, +), making net

income \$783.37. It came off in good shape. Paul Castellou was named the 2017 Diver of the Year.

The 2018 national meet will be in St. Petersburg, FL, on June 27-28. It will be a two day meet.

The World Meet will be in Portugal September 6-10. One diver from FL, one from HI, and our Paul Young are planning on going.

Brandi would like to be relieved as Spearo Treasurer.

### **Old Business**

The FGC made its big decision on Dec. 6 and closed sport take of abalone for 2018. This closure lasts until April 1, 2019.

### **New Business**

The RAAC had a meeting January 13 in Rohnert Park, hosted by Cen-Cal. We provided a continental breakfast and lunch. 50 people attended.

Purple sea urchins have been a topic of discussion among BA Diving and others, specifically should there be an effort to rid the reefs of them. Bruce Watkins has proposed to the Fish and Game Commission to change the rules to allow unlimited take, which involves 4 changes: 1) removal of the “wanton Waste” rule, 2) strike the 35 urchin bag limit, 3) remove the requirement to have a fishing license, and 4) allow the take of purple urchins in specified MPAs. This proposal was to have been formally presented to the Commission at their Dec. 6-7 meeting.

### **Next meeting**

Cen-Cal’s next meeting will be held Wednesday, March 28, 2018, and Larry will set it up.

**Adjourn** at 8:27 PM.