



SUNY Maritime College Parents Association Corp.

Board meeting

June 2, 2022

7:00 PM

Zoom meeting to review ship departure and plan for ship arrival 8/2/22

Board members present: Joe Sesack, Jeannine Sesack, Larry Castello, Andre Amrhein, Jeremy O'Brien, Luis Davila, JoAnn Davila, Frank Harnos, Liz Harnos, Betsy Grabher, Joe Donovan, Sue Donovan, Zameena Salim Rasheed, Stephen Biscotti,

Board members absent: Cleo Gakshteyn, Keith Reilly

Guest parents: N/A

Call to Order: Joe Sesack called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Approval of the meeting minutes: N/A

President's report:

- We all agree that we were bombarded by customers and we're not properly set up for our sale even though we arrived on campus at 6am.
- We had a very successful event. Between the apparel sales, memberships, and boat ride tickets we made slightly over \$21,000.
- We have 5 boat tickets left. We sold 135 tickets. There are about 13 families that bought tickets that are not PA members. Board members going on the boat ride please promote the PA. Should we prorate membership fees for those who join and their student is halfway done with Maritime? All agree- No.
- We had 10 new members join at ship departure. 2 more joined online after the event.
- We ordered 4 more Squares for use on personal iPhones.
- iPads have been updated and Keith will troubleshoot at the Verizon store to figure out why we lost connectivity at our event.

- Jeannine will ask the IT department for a WiFi password as a backup for ship return.
- We need to consider a heavy duty canopy. At Accepted Students Day the Crew team canopy was a very impressive canopy. We have contacted Impact Canopy for some prices for 10 x 15. Joe D. Also suggested getting a price for 10 X 20. We will follow up on that and forward information to the group for a vote.
- Liz suggested we have a training class for the Square App since we got so crowded there was no time to review how to use the iPad and Square App. We will set this up at the end of July so it is fresh in our minds for August 2nd.

Treasurer's Report:

- We currently have \$48,018.11
- \$3000 check has been sent to Island Current for the boat ride.

Shop report:

- Insulated mugs sold out- Joe S. Will reorder from Kodiak Coolers.
- Joe Donovan saved us at ship departure by getting bags from his club. He said it was a donation. Thank you. We will go to restaurant depot and get more before the next event.
- Joe D would like the signage to be updated. We will make 8x10 signs in page protectors to tape on the outside and inside of the tables for better viewing.
- Joe D suggested having stations so our volunteers know their products inventory and pricing.
- Going forward Joe D will do all of the ordering for apparel.

Additional Comments:

- We want to be sure parents and students are aware from the beginning of next year that Cadet Shipping is a much less expensive alternative to SST. Traditionally, it is offered to 3/C cadets. 2022 SST cost \$13,500. We spoke of Billy a few years ago having a summer bill of around \$2200. Stephen's son is cadet shipping this year and tuition was about \$3200.
- JoAnn and Luis let us know their son had items taken on the ship. We are hoping he will find his items at the lost and found.

Upcoming Events and Meeting schedule for fall semester:

- July TBD- Orientation- volunteers will be needed

- August 2, 2022 Empire State VI returns- we have scheduled the Island Current Charter boat to meet the ship for parent association members, bagpipe and drums band. Volunteers needed for this event. Boat leaves at 4am. We should be on campus at 3am to get everyone checked in.
- August 22, 2022 starts Indoctrination and the Civilian Experience. We are hoping there will be an Indoc ceremony at the completion of Indoc.
- Fall meeting schedule will be the first Friday of the month. Unfortunately, the First Friday of September is the start of Labor Day weekend and also the end of the first week of classes. We would not have a good turnout. The second Friday we (Sesacks) have a wedding. With the help of Liz we will schedule a zoom meeting for our 6pm board meeting, then a second invite will go out for the member meeting. This will take place during the second week of September. Also discussed having every other month zoom meeting.

Adjournment:

Joe adjourned the meeting at 8:15.