

SSS 2020 Meeting Minutes
November 3rd, 2021

Location: St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Date: 11/3/21

Time: 6:30PM - 8:00PM

Presiding: John Rongish

In attendance:

Youth:

- John Rongish, Boatswain
- Dominic Kaul, Media Specialist & Bo.'s Mate for Program

Adults:

- Michael Mulligan, Skipper
- Sandy Rongish, CC.
- Mr. Bob Fugit, Mate

Guests:

- Mike Redondo, White Buffalo Dist. Ex.

John called the meeting to order at 6:45

Old Business:

- The Bylaws from last year were unfortunately not saved. Mrs. Rongish volunteered to put together a draft from memory and will present it to the Quarterdeck for approval.
- This was our 2nd summer as a ship. We did a great job having regular meetings every wednesday.
- We participated in 7-8 of the weekly KBRS races at NSA. Early in the year the Montego had some problems that prevented us from being able to finish any of the races. We have since installed jib blocks to improve sail shape on the jib, which should improve speed in the future. We hope to participate in the races again next year.

- Though we did not get to sail the two snipes much, we are hoping to do so next year with the aid and mentoring of Mr. Rix and Mr. Fugit.
- Mowing our yard spaces still needs to be put on the schedule and volunteers need to be secured.
- Having many of our smaller sailboats and kayaks packed into two yard spaces worked well. In the future we hope to be able to get all four of the spaces given to us by NSA next to each other.
- Our first joint meeting with Venture Crew 223 at Range 54 was a success. We had three sea scouts attend and they were given the opportunity to shoot different types of guns including an AR-15, a Ruger Precision Rifle, and multiple 9mm handguns.
- As previously discussed, our next meeting (Nov. 17th) will be ILSS training. John will be contacting SSS 1 to invite them to attend and participate. The first meeting of December we will be working on rechartering and JTE and finishing ILSS if necessary.

New Business:

- John acquired a new canoe, and is in need of a trailer for it.
- John's small boat sailing merit badge counselor, who donated the Montego, is offering a fixed keel Hunter 22 with a 7HP motor in good condition. He is asking \$2,500.
- Thursday the 4th is the Roundtable Meeting. SSS 2020 and Crew 223 have been asked to lead the flag ceremony.
- Nov. 11th is the NSA Board of Governors meeting at the Afterdeck. This would be a great chance for us to personally thank the NSA for all that they have given us.
- The boats at Cheney will need to be taken out of the lake by December.

- We will be having a campout at Cheney Lake along with a Removal of the Boats ceremony on Nov. 23-24. Guests and helpers are welcome to come out for the ceremony on the 24th.
 - A Polar Plunge is on the itinerary for anyone interested.
 - Primitive camping sites at NSA are free to use for NSA members; Dominic (BoPro.) will look into informing the correct person at NSA of our intentions to camp that weekend.
 - If all goes well, plan to make the day before Thanksgiving an annual date for the removal of boats from the lake.
 - We had previously considered the possibility of biking from Wichita to the lake along 21st St. While other scouts are free to do so, the Mulligans will most likely not be interested.
- Matthew Mulligan has been instated as Purser and added to the website. He will be given the task of organizing ship fundraising efforts. Current ideas include a garage sale, a dutch oven cobbler feed, and selling meat sticks.
- M. Spec. report:
 - The Ship Website (seascoutship2020.org) is fully functional and includes details on where and when we meet and how to join. There is an events page with a live calendar. We also have a youtube channel with four videos, one of which has more than 1,000 views.
 - Kaley (Yeoman) will be given access to the google calendar account.
 - We are still waiting for the Google Search engine to find and suggest the website when searched for.
 - Territory 5 leadership has asked every ship to create a video trailer showing what their ship does.
- We have a fully stocked patrol box that was donated by an old troop.
 - Items of interest include a very large pot, a 3-burner Camp Chef Stove, and one or two backpacking stoves. Mr. Mulligan will acquire an empty propane tank core, and Mrs. Rongish will cover filling it.
 - Propane is approved as a fuel source, alcohol is not recommended as it can be on and burning invisibly.
 - Mr. Fugit has a few campfire dutch ovens that we can use.

- Campout and activity planning for 2022:
 - January - Trappers' Rendezvous with Crew 223
 - February - Camp Alaska.
 - March - We will consider pulling a keelboat in the St. Patrick's Day parade.
 - April - We will have a campout at QSR on April 30th - May 1st to work on getting the boats ready for QSR resident camp. This date is also the 2nd anniversary of Ship 2020.
 - Many members of Ship 2020 will be staffing at NYLT in the summer.

- It was proposed that SSS 2020 design a council patch for our uniforms. Once we finish designing it, we will get the council approval. It might even be sold in the Scout Shop.

- January ski/snowboarding trip in Kansas City is a possibility - \$65/day, including lesson, lift ticket, and equipment rental.

- We have a few scouts who have expressed some interest in joining the ship. We need to follow up with them.
 - If scouts intend to Eagle in the ship, we need to make sure that they are able to get a position of responsibility that counts towards Eagle. Either Boatswain, Boatswain's Mate for Administration, or Boatswain's Mate for Program.

John adjourned the meeting at 8:00.