

Board Meeting Highlights 24 March 2022

Finance

The President stated that we are in the last few weeks of the fiscal year and that MMBC will end with a small surplus. The coming fiscal year will be tighter due to the end of Covid supports.

Operations

The staff and President continue to research the possibility and logistics of an Esquimalt 360 boat race.

The President informed the board that the SS Beaver Medal award ceremony was a success. The Lieutenant Governor has agreed that the Beaver Medal will become the Lieutenant Governor Award for Maritime Excellence. This will be formalized in the upcoming weeks.

The President also drew the board's attention to the Pacific Yachting magazine that featured a story about our collection.

The Executive Director reported that the Gaming and Victoria Foundation grants are well underway and that the Float the Boat campaign is doing well.

It was agreed that our mission statement review would be part of the upcoming Strategic Planning event. A facilitator has been engaged for the Strategic Planning session.

Human Resources

No report at this time.

Collections

The committee chair reported that restoration work continues on Dorothy and also that work continues on the clean-up at Ogden Point.

Classic Boat Festival

Registration has just opened for the 2022 Classic Boat Festival.

Future Facility Committee

This committee continues to meet regularly to discuss plans for a future location which will provide much needed space for the MMBC to showcase the collection currently in storage.

DEAI Committee/ Learning and Visitor Experience

Contributions have now closed for the 'Queer at Sea' exhibit. The Collections and Exhibits Manager has developed a layout plan and will be seeking final approval from contributors. Plans for a underway for a 'Queer as Funk' event.

Learning and Visitor Experience Committee

A new exhibit, "*Darn It! Our Maritime Make and Mend Culture*" is in the planning stages for the fall. The committee continues to work on ideas for future exhibits.

Membership, Marketing and Fundraising Committee

This is a new committee which has had its second meeting. Twenty-five fund raising ideas have been submitted by staff and directors. The goal is to run 2-3 fundraising events in the fall.

The committee decided to make April a Membership Drive month. A draw from all new members and members renewing their memberships will take place at the end of April.