



## FLOATING HOMES ASSOCIATION, INC

### GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING SATURDAY, MARCH 4, 2017 THE BAY MODEL, SAUSALITO, CA

#### **Welcome**

Katherine Boschetto welcomed everyone to the Annual Meeting. She counted those present from each of the docks.

#### **Your 2017 Officers**

President- Katherine Boschetto  
Vice President- Flo Hoylman  
Secretary- Linda Sempliner  
Treasurer- Joan Sheahan

#### **Your 2017 Committee Chairs**

Floating Times- Larry Clinton  
Government Relations- Teddie Hathaway  
Emergency Preparedness- Flo Hoylman  
Public Relations- Michele Affronte  
Annual Tour- Larry Clinton, Barbara Rycerski  
Environmental- Jenny Stein, Jennifer Gennari

#### **2016 Financial Report-** Joan Sheahan (pages

Joan reviewed the financial report that was included in the agenda. Because of a smaller Tour last year and more expenditures on emergency preparedness, including the trailer generator, we lost money last year. The transition from the emailed Floating Times to the new blog was also included in 2016 expenses. A discussion followed.

#### **Projects**

##### **Annual Tour-** Saturday, September 30, 2017- Larry Clinton

Larry explained the cost of doing the Tour including shuttle busses, porta potties, tables, chairs, sound equipment plus a volunteer party. Previously with 900+ people we net about \$20,000.00 We had a smaller tour last year- about 600 people. Some costs are the same regardless of the amount of people. We will be having cost cutting measures for the 2017 Tour. Tickets are \$50.00 in advance and \$55.00 at the door.

The Tour this year will include Issaquah, East and West Piers, A Dock and Yellow Ferry. Jane Clinton asked for volunteers for homes. We need 15 this year. She asked people to sign up with her. Tony Williams spoke about how much they enjoyed putting Wolf Island on the Tour. Larry said he would see if another date is possible as September 30<sup>th</sup> is Yom Kippur. Larry introduced Barbara Rycerski who is the Co-Chair of the Tour this year. Katherine explained our Private Tours. We do about 4 of them a year.

### **Floating Times**

Jennifer Gennari and Larry introduced the new, exciting, newsletter/Floating Times. The new website for it is [ft.floatingtimes.org](http://ft.floatingtimes.org) There is a direct link from the Floating Homes website, as well. They reviewed the website on the big screen showing everyone how to use it. The Welcome post is a good place to begin. There are historical articles and a place for archives which will be completed in the future. Larry invited everyone to submit articles and photos.

### **Emergency Preparedness Project**

Flo Hoylman asked everyone to let her know if they have done anything this year to get prepared. The FHA has done the following this year to help prepare the community for an emergency:

1. Numbers for the waterside of each boat. The FHA paid for the numbers. Everyone needs to get them up on their homes
2. The Marin Medical Emergency Reserve Corps came and had 25 people go through their disaster first aid. It was a marvelous half day course. The FHA paid for everyone to attend.
3. FHA paid for members to attend the CERT emergency response training. 21 people were trained. The exercises were done on the docks. Carole Angermeir talked about a houseboat that broke free of its pilings and floated free. The ramp fell into the water. Carole was able to rope for the firemen to use to secure the boat. Flo will let people know how to get into the FHA emergency trailer for lines, etc. The next CERT training will be held on April 1<sup>st</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017. People can sign up on the website or with Flo. An article will be written for the Floating Times.

The Fire Department would like to know where they are going. Each Dock Rep should create a list for their dock about special needs that floating homes may have. Are there children or animals on the home? If residents have special needs, that is important, too. How many exits? This information will be collected in the next 6-8 weeks.

Grab and Go Bags- Flo discussed the handout (page ) entitled "Are Your Prepared"? She showed everyone a pack back that sells for over \$100.00. The FHA will have them available to members for \$55.00. Dock reps will take orders. There will be a meeting to get ready for disaster. The back packs will be picked up there. This will be in the Floating Times. Flo was thanked by the audience for her work.

**Member of the Year-** Flo Hoylman was named the member of the year. She was presented with a lovely engraved Waterford vase.

**Raffle Prizes**

Michele Affronte and Julie Durban conducted drawings for many prizes.

**Adjourn****Members' Dinner Party**