

Annual Meeting
Vintage and Historic Division of APBA
Saturday, January 23, 2016 Crown Plaza Hotel, Chicago, Illinois

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 AM by Chairman John Krebs. Regional representatives in attendance were Jim Olsen (Vice Chairman), Jay Marshall, Billy Noonan, David Williams, Dan Joseph, Dick Delsener, Bob Moore, and Frank Banducci. A crowd of approximately 40 was in attendance.

Chairman Krebs thanked all the reps that made the journey to Chicago for the meeting. He remarked that this is the largest number of reps attending the APBA meeting that he has seen.

Jim Olsen offered a prayer for those who have passed away in the last year, especially Doug Whitley, Bill Morsheimer, Billy Cousins, and Tom Jeannette.

Dick Delsener gave an update on plans to begin a V&H Hall of Fame. He is working with Dave Richardson and Buddy Byers to get this established. This will be awarded to those with significant boat racing experience but who have not been elected into the Hall of Champions. Plans are continuing for this venture.

Chairman Krebs reported that the funds in the V&H promotional fund had been frozen for 2015, a total of \$2,400.00 as of January 20, 2016. Jim Olsen made a motion to keep the funds frozen for 2016 or until criteria for using them are determined. The motion was seconded by Frank Banducci, and passed unanimously.

The Associate Membership for V&H is being investigated in Region 10 to see what the impact will be. This will be evaluated for possible inclusion across the country in 2017. The cost would be \$60, and would be for non-participating crew members, family members, etc.

Both inboard and outboard inspection sheets will be used beginning in 2016. Rich Evans has developed the new inspection process for outboards.

Chairman Krebs is checking to see why articles written and submitted for Propeller haven't been published. Discussion on getting articles written for Propeller by reps followed, and the importance of this for V&H was highlighted. Jim Olsen described a proposal whereby Ron Morrison from Region 10 will be organizing reps to submit articles.

The point system was discussed. Chairman Krebs reported that he has received points from 4 of the 5 East Coast events. Dave Richardson was named East Coast Points Champion, and Ed Kelson was named West Coast Points Champion. The points system was not very popular on the East Coast, but the West Coast has more events and more interest in the system. Jim Olsen made a motion to discontinue the national points system. The motion was seconded by Rich Evans and passed unanimously. The points system will continue to be used on the West Coast.

The Chief Referee/Risk Manager for 2016 will be Doug Brow. Chief Inspectors will be Rich Evans-East Coast and Bill Thompson-West Coast. Safety Rep will be Bob Moore.

Chairman Krebs reported that V&H has the highest percentage of increase in insurance fees for 2016. Things that can be done to make our events safer and help how the insurance company views V&H were discussed. The responsibility of each member of V&H to help police every event they attend for issues of safety was stressed.

Discussion was held on trying to increase the number of events on the East Coast.

The establishment of a national registry of vintage boats was discussed. Dave Richardson has begun compiling a list of where boats are located and who has them; he currently has approximately 150 boats in his listing. The Hydroplane Museum in Seattle also has a great amount of information on unlimiteds. Jim Olsen will gather information from the West Coast and get it to Dave Richardson for inclusion in his list.

The inspection process was changed for 2016. It will be mandatory that every boat be inspected at every event. Discussion of inclusion of reinforced cockpit boats with restrained drivers at vintage events took place.

Dave Richardson made a motion to change the bylaws Article II, Number 2, Item C, to reflect a change that region reps are elected by a vote of the region they serve rather than appointed by the Chairman. John Schubert seconded the motion. Discussion followed, and the motion failed with three voting for it.

Discussion was held on communication between the V&H reps and the general V&H membership. The minutes from conference calls are generally published on the APBA website, and the V&H website and Facebook page.

Dave Richardson described the Red Bank trophy that has previously been given to Event of the Year. This trophy currently resides as APBA headquarters in Detroit. Discussion was held of resurrecting this and of possibly awarding it at the APBA banquet.

Dave Richardson introduced Norm Woods, who has recently been elected at Chairman of the Canadian Boating Federation, APBA's Canadian counterpart.

Chairman Krebs read a letter from the Mayor of Madison, IN, offering support and encouragement for the upcoming event in his city.

Discussion followed concerning the importance of being very careful of what is posted on social media, especially with regard to incidents at events.

Rich Evans presented and described the 2016 V&H Inspection Package. Event inspectors will be noting boats that are overpowered, based on the power that was originally run with the boat/class. This information will be turned over to the referee at that event, and the referee will remind those drivers that they must drive safely and not up to the limit of the engine in their boat.

Chairman Krebs congratulated Bob "Pappy" Moore on receiving the Bruce Broussard Award this year, and Don Kelson on his impending entrance into the Honor Squadron at the Hall of Champions banquet.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:38 AM on motion of Jay Marshall, seconded by Billy Noonan.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Joseph
V&H Secretary

EAST COAST TENTATIVE SCHEDULE 2016

Tavares – March 11-13, 2016
Dayton – April 23-24, 2016
Waterford (tentative) – July 22-24, 2016
Clayton - Aug. 19-21, 2016
Wheeling - Sept. 2-4, 2016
Madison - Sept. 17-18, 2016
Tavares – November 11-13, 2016

WEST COAST TENTATIVE SCHEDULE 2016

4/16/16	Kenmore, Wa	SOA	Vintage
5/21-22/16	Port Orchard, Wa	SIRA	I-IE-Vintage
6/4-5/16	Richland, Wa	NWPBA	I-IE-Vintage
6/18-19/16	Soap Lake, Wa	SD&S	I-IE-Vintage- Select OB
7/9-10/16	Olympia, Wa	SD&S	I-IE-Vintage-J-OPC-Canoes
7/29-31/16	Tri Cities, Wa	H1	U-Vintage U-Select Inboard
8/5-7/16	Seattle, Wa	H1	U-F1-Vintage U
8/20-21/16	Pateros, Wa	TIRA	I-IE-Vintage- OPC
9/10-11/16	Spanaway, Wa	TIRA	I-IE-Vintage- OPC (Inboard Div)
9/24-25/16	Manson, Wa	SIRA	I-IE-Vintage-OPC
10/1-2/16	Chelan, Wa	HARM	Vintage U- Vintage-ACBS