

MINUTES OF THE BOATING ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
MORGAN UTAH
East Canyon State Park
3:00 pm to 6:00 pm

April 18, 2012

COUNCIL MEMBERS

Troy Mann	Dealer Rep	Excused
Guy Taylor	Motorboat Rep	Present
Lucy Minahan	Sailing Rep	Present
Mike Williams	Boating Safety & Education Rep	Present
Hank Cobb	Watersports Rep	Present
Tim Gaylord	Outfitter Rep	Present
Bill Rouleau	PWC Rep	Present
Rebekka Stone	Paddle sports Rep	Present
Ray Schelble	Boating Angler Rep	Present

DIVISION OF UTAH STATE PARKS AND RECREATION PERSONNEL

Dave Harris	Boating Program Manager
Brody Young	Assistant Boating Program Manager
Ty Hunter	Utah Lake State Park Manager
Stacy Stickler	Executive Secretary

Guy welcomed everyone to the meeting.

APPROVAL OF JANUARY MINUTES

Mike made the motion to accept the minutes as presented. Ray seconded the motion. All were in favor.

WELCOME AND TOUR

James Lowe, East Canyon Manager, welcomed everyone to the park and gave a presentation on the park.

The council took a tour of the park.

CPFH STUDY GUIDE & TESTING UPDATE

The new study guide is online and we have received very positive feedback from guides. The new test is online and 17 people have taken it so far, 70 % of those 17 passed the test.

LOW CAPACITY VESSEL RULE CHANGE

When the definition for low capacity vessels was approved, it was specific to the CPFH program and only identified the types of low capacity vessels in use at the time. The definition was intended for manually propelled vessels and the definition did not reflect that. The main purpose of the definition is to allow those rowing or paddling to be able to wear a less restrictive life jacket.

R651-201-6 Low capacity vessel. Low capacity vessel means a manually propelled vessel designed or intended to carry two or few occupants.

Tim made the motion to accept the new wording for R651-201-6. Hank seconded the motion. All were in favor.

R651-206-4 Additional PFD Requirements for Vessels Carrying Passengers for Hire
(8) On rivers, any low capacity vessel operator or a working employee of the outfitting company, may wear a Type III PFD in lieu of the Type 1 PFD.
(9) On lakes and reservoirs, any low capacity vessel operator or working employee may wear or carry a Type III PFD in lieu of the required Type I PFD.

Lucy made the motion to accept the new wording for R651-206-4. Hank seconded the motion. All were in favor.

R651-219-3 Spare Propulsion

Vessels less than 21 feet in length shall have on boars at least one spare motor, paddle or oar capable of maneuvering the vessel when necessary. When low capacity vessels are traveling in a group, the above requirement may be met by carrying one spare or or paddle for every three vessels in the group. Paddles designed to be strapped or worn on the hand meet this requirement.

Tim made the motion to accept the new wording for R651-219-3. Bekka seconded the motion. All were in favor.

CPFH FIRST AID & CPR STANDARDS DATE CHANGE

Currently R651-206-3(3) & (5) for the first aid and PR standards state the curriculum is in accordance with the 2005 Consensus on Science for Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation and Emergency Care. We would like to take the '2005' and replace it with 'most current' so we do not have to go in every couple of years and change the rule.

Lucy made the motion to add 'most current'. Bill seconded the motion. All were in favor.

UTAH LAKE BUOY PLACEMENT

Ty Hunter, manager of Utah Lake State Park, gave a background, presentation on file, on the regulatory markers on the 'shortcut' in Provo Bay. There have been some concerned people come to Ty with the placement of the markers. The 'shortcut' is a narrow channel through the phragmites and it can be very dangerous. There was a pontoon vs. jet boat accident there last year. Buoys are located at the entrance and exit of the channel and wakeless in the channel. The ski club at Utah Lake would like to have wakeless just at the buoys at the mouth at both ends and not in the channel.

The Council suggests having a buoy at both ends of the channel and the channel not wakeless for this boating season and revisit at the end of the summer. Lucy made the motion for this. Ray seconded the motion. All were in favor.

SAFETY VESSEL RULE EXEMPTION

There is no provision in law or rule to allow motorized safety vessels to accompany non-motorized vessels in practicing or competing in events in an area designated for non-motorized use.

R651-226-1 Authorization to Hold a Marine Event

Authorization to hold a marine event shall be obtained from the Division as well as from any other person or agency who owns or administers the land adjacent to the marine event.

R651-226-2 Safety Vessels Permitted

Designated safety vessels associated with permanent, long term or short term human powered marine events are permitted on any water body zoned by the state parks board as wakeless or motor restricted and within any area marked by waterway markers as a controlled area under the following conditions:

- (1) The person responsible for the event has permission from the managing agency to hold the event.
- (2) The safety vessels used shall be:
 - (a) Designed and operated to create a minimal wake.
 - (b) Operated by representatives of the person responsible for the event.
 - (c) Operated only for the coaching, support and safety of the event.

Tim made the motion to accept the new rule R651-226-2. Bill seconded the motion. All were in favor.

BOATING SAFETY FEES RULE CHANGE

Since we have moved our mandatory personal watercraft course and voluntary adult boating courses online, we have been charging, through the online providers a \$5.00 fee for the issuance of the Division's state issued Boating Education Certificate. This fee covers the costs of staff, printing, supplies and postage.

R651-227-1 Boating Safety Course Fees

- (1) the fee for the Division's personal watercraft education course is \$12
- (2) the fee to replace a lost or stolen Boating Education Certificate is \$5.00
- (3) the fee for issuance of a state issued Boating Education Certificate is \$5.00.

Tim made the motion to accept the new wording for R651-227-1. Lucy seconded the motion. All were in favor.

PROGRAM UPDATE & BRAINSTORMING SESSION

Dave gave a program update, powerpoint is on file.

- o Attended CRLEA, FST training
- o Attended International Boating and Water Safety Summit
 - o Utah State Parks received five awards at this summit for printed brochures and swag items
- o Boat show a success
- o Legislative session
 - o Bill on hit and run with a boat is now a felony, passed
 - o Bow riding bill went to interim study
 - o Insurance bill went to interim study
 - o Waterskiing course PFD/flag bill, passed
 - o Administrative checkpoint bill, did not pass
- o NAV/SAR training at Utah Lake
- o CPFH program underway
- o Boating highlights being updated
- o MOU with DWR on AIS
- o Compliance visit with US Coast Guard
- o Boat registration trends
- o Boating program stats
- o Budget update

Brainstorming session to generate more revenue for the boating program:

- o Raise registration fees
- o Registration fee based by length
 - o \$2 per foot
 - o Graduated fee
 - o Categories
- o Non-motorized registration
 - o Online
 - o Education - discount
 - o Permanent registration
 - o Stagger years
 - o Recreation fee (not a registration)
 - o Personal recreation card for under 16'
- o Social marketing for education program

- Groupon

NEW BUSINESS

Next meeting tentatively scheduled for July 18, 2012 out at a park.

Lucy made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Hank seconded the motion. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.