

## *WEfish Meeting Minutes 2/21/16*

Mission of *WEfish*: to preserve the legacy and promote the value of commercial fishing in our families and community through promotion, education, outreach, and service.

- I. Order: Adrienne moved to call the meeting to order, Laura 2nd.
- II. Attendance: Molly Bold, Trisha Woodward, Adrienne Jones, Marci Hollingsworth, Laura Roehrich, & Sarah Beese.
- III. Approval of Minutes: Adrienne moved to approve, Laura 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- IV. Open Business:
  - a. March 19<sup>th</sup> Kickoff (Fishing Forward):
    - i. We have 30 people who have RSVP'd for the event. The mailers has been sent. Barb Aue will be doing an article in the South Beach Bulletin in the weeks to come and Molly suggested making personal invites to people we feel need to be apart.
    - ii. We have items that have been donated to raffle off for our event. Anchor Bank is putting together a nautical basket. Cap'n Jacks, Greg Mueller's wife, Englund Marine, and D & M Crab are willing to donate raffle items. Adrienne suggested that the Westport Winery has baskets available for us to purchase at 40% off if we wanted to raffle off a basket. Raffle tickets will be for sale at \$1 each or 12 for \$10 and must be present to win. Once the raffle tickets have been purchased, the tickets can be put in the container of the item they would like to win.
    - iii. Laura discussed food for the event and we will be doing 5 appetizers and 2 dessert items to serve. Adrienne will talk to Cathy Whitney at WA Crab for a possible seafood donation to make the appetizers with. Laura is going to check with Leslie at the Chamber to borrow warmers for the food. Laura and Molly will check out the plates and utensils at the Maritime Museum to see if they are in good condition to use for the event. If not, then we will be looking to purchase disposable utensils from Party City or Costco.
    - iv. The liquor license had been applied for. Sarah Beese is willing to do the bartending for the event. Laura will talk Leslie at the chamber to find out about purchasing the alcohol through her.
    - v. The order for the March 19<sup>th</sup> event will be 1. food, 2. Speakers, 3. introduction of the Association leaders (3 min each), and 4. raffle winners and questions for our speakers.

- b. Blessing of the Fleet-
  - i. Marci will be in charge of the Clam Chowder Feed.
  - ii. Trisha will be in charge of the ceremony and cookies. Sarah Beese will sing for the ceremony also.
  - iii. Molly, Laura, and Alysya will meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of April for planning of the festival. We will tentatively plan on the boat parade for Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup>.
- c. Commercial dock discussion-
  - i. Sarah Beese brought up that the commercial side of the dock area in Westport is not properly being taken care of. We discussed attending the next Port Commissioners meeting to bring up what can be done to improve the safety and look of the dock area. We also discussed the idea of talking to Rob Bearden or Kayla from the Port.
- d. Discovery Channel-
- e. The discovery Channel has been pursuing our group for being a part of a fishermen's wives television show. We all agreed to have Molly email the producer and have a meeting with her to find out more information about the show.
- f. Wefish Shirts-
  - i. Alysya received our Wefish shirts and they are \$19 each. They will be used to wear for our events. The sweatshirts will be finished in time to sell for our March 19<sup>th</sup> event.
- g. Trisha motioned to adjourn. Molly 2<sup>nd</sup>

Next meeting: Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 6pm at Westport Winery