Bay State Marauders Meeting Minutes

September 2026

Jacques' Cabaret, 79 Broadway St, Boston

Meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm.

Members in attendance:
Steve Sheeky (Webmaster, *acting Secretary*) Josh Stonefield (President of Vice, *acting President)*, Scott Erikson (Historian/Charter member), Thom Cerruto, Dave Roberts, Glenn Webber, Hanpeng Yang, Sean Fleming (guest), Brian Mitchell, John Trainer (guest), Patrick Chambers, Peter Kim, DJ Peretta (online), William "Buck" Buckley (online).

Quorum was achieved.

Executive Board Reports

President report: No report given.

President of Vice report:

- Holiday Party:
  - Date: Sunday: Dec. 13th at the Norwood Eagle. Dinner to be followed by our December regular Business Meeting.

Treasurer report:

- Current club account balance as of 06 Sept 2026: $8,497.21; of which $4,000 is earmarked for afuture Bay State Marauders-sponsored run.
- Cash & check deposits made to Eastern Bank for August 2026: $643.00
- Actual club balance available: $4,947.21
- Club income received for July 2026:
  - Hat purchase: $18.00
  - Full member patch purchase: $20.00
  - Total: $38.00
- Inventory & Swag:
  - Qty/6: Marauders caps
  - Qty/32: Small club patches
  - Qty/5: Large club patches
- 2026 membership dues update:
  - Full and Associate membership dues were payable effective July 1, 2026. If you have submitted your associate or full membership dues, thank you. We will not be sending subsequent late notices out to delinquent members. Please pay your dues promptly to avoid removal from membership.

    - Please note: it is the responsibilty of members to update the board with a change of physical address, email address and phone contact information.
    - Membership dues are paid by cash, check or money order at this time. Receipts are available upon request. Once the club has been incorporated, we will move to an online system for payment of membership dues.
    - There are currently 9 full members and 14 associate members who are in arrears for their 2026 membership dues payments.
- Expenditures for August 2026:
    - Check #360, payable to Derek Chandler in the amount of $193.80 for the purchase of gift basket supplies for presentation at the FLAG raffle event.

Road Captain report:

- No report given.

Historian report:

- Meeting with the NY Historical Society on Tuesday at 2pm, contact there is leaving, new contact (Jeannie). AMCC history was compiled; will work with the NYHS to get materials.

Webmaster report:

- Build out of new site continues.
- Meeting minutes archive is current; will cover the entirety of the 2027 year. Will be archived at the start of next year.
- Due to increased server/hosting costs, a new storage system is being implemented. Will be taking photos and archival materials out of cloud storage (AWS on Akamai) and moving them to offline storage with two backups (using NAS as primary and a secondary backup using .ZIP archival files). A document/file dump folder page will be created (would be accessible via the Members area, most likely) or a routine swap of a physical drive between the Historian and Webmaster will begin. More updates to come.

Past Events

8/7–8/9 FLAG Weekend.
Hanpeng: Set up table with gloves, selling raffle tickets (Friday). Contest started at 8 pm at the Eagle (Rocco was the winner of the contest).
Patrick: Won a painting from the raffle contest.

8/14—18/6 Excelsior Invasion Weekend.
Fri night: Cathedral Station, dinner on the patio.
Sat: Trip to Salem, Union Oyster House for dinner (other group at Cathedral Station), pinned the waitress from BSM and Excelsior, then to Alley Pets Night. Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence were in attendance.
Sun: Brunch at Club Cafe.

Date for next year: 8/21.

- Fri. night: Welcome Back Dinner at Cathedral Station.
- Sat. day trip: George's Island/Harbor Cruise.

- Sat. evening: Gabriel/Excelsior looking to arrange dinner at the Parker House restaurant. Then to the Alley.
- Sun: Brunch at Club Cafe.

Josh Stonefield: Thank you to Scott for his work with scheduling.

Scott Erickson: The key to making it more successful is to plan in advance to alleviate hiccups.

8/21-- BSM Bar Night at Club Cafe (co-branded with the Mass Bears and Cubs).

8/21-30 -- Gay Naturists International.
Dave Roberts attended. Fun as always, very lively, great weather. Possible schedule conflict with Excelsior Invasion.

Review of event from July meeting:

Rock River (July trip).
Scott Erickson, Dave Thomas, Dave's boy and Brian Mitchell
Hung out at the river, had dinner afterwards on the way home. Next year's event date: July 24th, 2027.

Future Events

9/2 – 9/11 -- Southern Decadence.

9/4 – 9/6 -- Mr./Ms. Connecticut Leather Weekend/Contest.

9/18 – 9/20:
- **MAUL 20th Anniversary Run.** From Buck: Loose ends are being tied up. Event page on the MAUL page, but email is the best method for updates. Schedule is posted on the MAUL website. Will make sure the schedule is posted.

- **Mr. Providence Eagle Contest.** Happening simultaneouly with the MAUL weekend.

- **AMCC meeting.** Will also be happening this weekend.

9/19 – Alley Pets. Alley Bar, Boston. 6-10pm in the Upstairs Bar.

10/1 – 10/4: Mates Leather Weekend. (Provincetown, MA).
- Club meeting moved to the following Sunday, October 11, starting at 1:00 pm, Jacques' Cabaret.

- BSM meet and greet at the Little Bar.

- Jorge Rubio will be present selling quality leather goods.

9/20 - 9/24 – **Mr. New England Leather Contest** (Provincetown, MA).

12/13 -- BSM Holiday Party. 1pm at the Norwood Eagle.

12/31–01/02/27 – **Tri-Cen Weekend** (with the Philadelphians). Theme is Boots. We need to come up theme for the cocktail party. AMCC meeting will be happening during this weekend. Several members will be attending and representing the Marauders. Will have cocktail party (time/date TBA).

05/21 – 05/23/27 -- Fire Island Weekend (Mr. Fire Island Leather Weekend).
Brian Mitchell: You may want to reserve your room for next year's weekend as soon as you can; there is some confusion on the Belvedere's end as to when reservations can be made.

Old Business

Committee on Club Mission Statement.

Five members on the committee.

DJ: Group did meet, no update at this time.

Scott: This is anticipated to take a minimum of six months in duration.

David Inniss and Rob Stanhope are spearheading this effort.

Incorporation Committee.
Still pending. Working with our attorney (Heather), finalizing changes.

New Business

Request from Chris Blank.
Chris is requesting to be moved from Full Member to Associate.

MOTION: Brian Mitchell motioned to approve. Seconded by Scott Erickson. Results: Two absentions. All others in the affirmative. Moved from Full Member to Associate.

Reinstatement of Mitch Ledford.
Back from South Carolina, went from Full to Associate Member. Has paid his dues; was suspended for non-payment of dues originally. Has relocated to Maine. Primary club is the Harbormasters.

MOTION: Scott Erickson motioned. Dave Roberts seconded. Two abstentions, all others in the affirmative.

Raising of Dues.
Patrick: Where are we on this issue?

Josh: The idea was floated at last month's meeting. Want to give time for members to discuss this issue; vote on raising the dues towards the end of this year (May 2027). Also discussed wanting to make sure that our event baskets are more representative of the club. Also have upcoming expenses related to incorporation of the club and bonding of officers. Formal proposal from the board will happen, most likely, in January 2027. ‘

Motion to Adjourn.
MOTION: Thom Cerruto moved to adjourn the meeting, Scott Erickson seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 2:52 pm.