

COLUMBIA SAILING CLUB
BOARD OF STEWARDS MEETING



September 4, 2019

Board Attendance: David Mosley, Bruce Seiffert, Jim Edwards, Curt Rone, Jerry Jowers, Margaret Clarkson, Wayne Smith, Johnny Dotterer, Jan Jernigan, Stanley Hassinger, Robby Garfield, David Oliver

Commodore David Mosley called the meeting to order at 1830 hrs.

The August minutes were submitted for approval. Johnny Dotterer made a motion to approve the June meeting minutes. The motion was seconded. A vote was taken - All Ayes.

REPORTS

Secretary (Jowers) – T.R. and Cindy Parrish have requested the use of the clubhouse for an engagement party on Thursday, October 17 for a group of 50 people.

Jerry Jowers made a motion to approve the request. The motion was seconded. A vote was taken - all ayes. The motion carried.

Membership by classes:

Honorary: 2
Lifetime: 8
Junior: 3
Senior: 23
Nonresident: 5
Resident: 166
Provisional: 23
Survivor's Associate: 7

Total membership: 237

Total that counts toward the cap of 200 (resident + provisional + lifetime) : 197

Treasurer (Curt Rone) – The financial statements have been distributed and posted to the members section of the website. There are \$30k in dock expenses in the financial statements that will be reimbursed from the capital improvement fund. There is more to come in August. We've had a number of expenses in the last three months that will be reimbursed from the capital improvement fund.

Membership & Education (Bruce Seiffert) – We have one new member for tonight. The membership committee interviewed a new family last night for membership. We have one or two more that will be up for a vote next month.

Sailing (Jim Edwards) –

Spring and Summer Dinghy Series:

Total of 157 scored races across all fleets.

The Fall Dinghy Series:

Begins this Sunday with a 1400 start.

Award ceremony for the Summer Series will be at 1300 on the beach.

Midlands Regatta

- Planning is proceeding very well. Sailing committee members and individual club members have accepted various responsibilities.
- Of note, Stephanie Cople has designed our poster and a fantastic T-Shirt. That is for sale to everyone on Regatta Network for \$25 <http://www.regattanetwork.com/event/19464>
- Margaret Clarkson has accepted responsibility for Fund raising, Media, and PR. Tommy Smith Law Contributed \$500. More sponsors anticipated contact Margaret if you have a suggestion or want to be a sponsor.
- We have expanded the regatta to four courses. This will require many volunteers for the Race committee. We need mark, safety and judge boats and operators and a pontoon or deck boat for the signal vessel. Please consider volunteering. Elaine Parshall will PRO the second course.
- Dinghy row and the back cove circle must be cleared of all non-competing boats to allow for competitor parking

Lightning Junior Regatta

October 5 Appears to be on track

Elaine Parshall reports, We currently have 10 boats. The Lightning Fleet really wants this to happen. David Mosley and I have offered to help, but we need a few more club members to help.

Back Cove (Mike Mayfield) - We have one open slip in the back cove. We have purchased two new dock carts for a total of three.

Boat Master (Langdon Warner/Ryan Lavisky) – David Mosley read a report from the Boat Master -

Issues:

1. Three boats with four stroke engines have had problems with excess oil fouling spark plugs, causing oil leaks, and requiring more frequent oil changes and tuneups. This appears to be a combination of how we use the boats and a problem with the new, non-vented six gallon plastic fuel tanks we are now using. In response, we are developing new guidelines for how these boats should be used and adding fuel management vents to the fuel hoses of each boat. The new guidelines include regular exercising of the engine at WOT, and increased frequency of oil changes to be done at the club, instead of paying a mechanic.
2. We are planning to recruit new volunteers at the new members happy hour to repair/replace the bunks and 1-2 tires on Cleo's trailer and apply a new bottom coat to the Privateer, Montauk, and Dauntless.
3. Thanks to Dick Dommel for repairing anchor winch engine.

Canteen (Brett Bennett) – All is well in the canteen. After cleaning the coils, the cooler is running colder.

Communication (Andrew Clarkson) - Andrew thanked Braxton Sorg and Hillarie Brush for the weather station. That is being set up to connect to weather underground.

CSCA (Hilarie Brush) - The CSCA is hosting a "grill your own" on September 13th. Also, Stephanie Copple designed the Midlands Regatta t-shirts this year and they look great. The design will be on the regatta network site.

Docks (Billy Ray Davis) – the pilings have been removed from the old T-dock and are being stored for future use. Dock number 2 will need some work at the next work day (October 19). Norman at Agnew worked us in ahead of the 60 jobs they have booked.

Entertainment (Beth Ann Rocheleau and Emery Clark) - David Mosley reported that the Oyster Roast will be held on November 16th.

Grounds (Dan Clayton) - Dan reports that the cost of spraying the rip rap and back cove will be \$1000. The irrigation system is not working. When we primed the pump in the spring it was working fine. It's not working now. Also, there is a GFI (irrigation system component) in the front that needs to be replaced.

House (Tommy Tapp) – The gate is going to be fixed. Brett replaced ceiling tiles in the bathroom that were damaged when an air conditioner drain backed up.

Land Parking (Bruce Seiffert) – We have been getting requests from lighting regatta participants to bring their boats early.

LMYRA (Ron Loring) – 30 boats have registered for the fall series. The first race, an island race, is September 7th. The next two races, both buoy races, will be on October 12th.

Recycling (John Hudson) – No report.

Safety (Dennis Anderson) - No report.

SAYRA (JC Moore) – We have offered our club grounds for boat storage for any SAYRA sailors that have been evacuated due to the hurricane.

Telltale – (Margery Ballowe) - No report.

Telephone/Email/Yearbook (Will Haltiwanger/ Curt Rone) – no report.

Youth Sailing (David Van Cleef) - The summer program ended on a positive note. The Gamecocks started practice yesterday. They will practice on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the 420s, and in keelboats on Fridays. We expect to have 30 kids. The College Regatta will be held here on September 21st. We expect to have 14 teams participating.

DVC has invited the athletic directors from Ben Lippen, Heathwood, Hammond, and Lexington High School to come see the Gamecock program to show them what we could do for high school sailing.

The Junior race team starts back this Sunday - we have seven kids returning and ten new families. The team will travel to Beaufort Yacht Club in two weeks, the Halloween Regatta in Augusta, and the Midlands Regatta here.

Adult sailing- The WOW program ended a few weeks ago. A few sessions were cancelled due to weather.

Private lessons are booked through beginning of November. David is looking for a second instructor.

Girl Scouts will be here this Saturday from 9:30 - 12:30 to show them a fun time and hopefully get them interested in the summer program next year. Thanks to Mary Frances Jowers for organizing the event.

Club-owned boat check out process - for fall dinghy series - the 420s will all be used on Sundays so they will not be available for members to use in the dinghy races. The maintenance costs are increasing. We are also having issues with the sunfish being used without being checked out.

Midlands Regatta - we will have two Junior race courses - one for the green fleet and a second course for Bics, 420s, and Optimis. We are expecting a good turnout and hoping for 75-150 junior sailors.

Webmaster (Pete Gindhart/ David Van Cleef) – No report.

Commodore's Report (David Mosley) – We have a fire proof filing cabinet that needs to be moved - we are looking for 2-3 people to help on Saturday before the game or Sunday before racing.

Old Business

Bruce Seiffert addressed the current membership cap of 200. We expect to meet that cap by the annual meeting. We have had 48 new members in the last three years. The membership committee met and looked at the current membership. We have four resident members that are eligible for senior status but have not claimed it. We have three that are about to become eligible for senior status. In the next five years we have 20 that will be eligible. This translates to over \$8,000 in less revenue. Based on this, the committee recommends to increase the membership cap to 235.

Jan Jernigan made a motion to present to the membership for a vote at the annual meeting an increased membership cap to 235. The motion was seconded. A vote was taken - all Ayes. The motion carried.

Jim Edwards presented a proposal for a regatta application to be completed by any group/fleet requesting to use CSC facilities for a regatta. **Jim presented an application that the sailing committee created and made a motion that the Board adopt it for use. The motion was seconded. A vote was taken - All Ayes. The motion carried.** A copy of the approved application is attached top these minutes.

New Business

Long range plan - JC Moore presented the committee's long range plan. The committee's goals were the following:

To retire the debt that we are now carrying by the end of 2023 and to make sure docks, paving, and campground renovations are accomplished. The committee has come up with a plan for how to do it.

After the year 2023 when the debt is retired we will start accumulating money again. By the time we hit 2029 we should have well over \$500,000 in the capital improvement fund.

A copy of the plan is attached to these minutes.

Bruce Seiffert announced that he and Branxton Sorg are working on educational programs for our boating safety day, October 26th. This will be a DNR course and a fire safety presentation by the Irmo Fire Department. Stay tuned for details.

ADJOURNMENT AT 1952 HRS.

Executive Session followed.