

# MINUTES FROM BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

## April 28, 2016

Meeting was called to order by Commodore at: 6:32 PM

### OFFICERS' REPORTS:

#### 1. COMMODORE:

- A. Peter Burg announced that Rick DiGioia has resigned as Secretary effective immediately. We will seek a volunteer to assume this position on the Board. Commodore also thanked all those who helped with the Sunfish class last Saturday and those who helped with sailing rides for ERAU students on Sunday.
- B. Ron Kainz and Thanos Nikolakopoulos have a Hunter 23' for sale. The BoD voted not to buy the boat because we will need our funds for dock repairs.
- C. BoD discussed the events planned for May 14-15. It will be a very busy day. There will be an Adult Intermediate Capri Class, the Gary Gordon Memorial Regatta, and introduction to sailing boat rides for some ERAU engineering students. Halifax Youth Sailing is also trying to schedule a class for that weekend. It was suggested that the ERAU students would enjoy participating in the races so we would not reschedule that event. Two qualified captains for Catalina 25s and two crew members are needed for this event.
- D. The May Big Boys Race (BBZ) has been rescheduled from May 8 to May 1 to avoid conflict with Mothers' Day. After much discussion about ways to improve regattas, the BoD voted and approved buying another perpetual trophy for a second Division for the upcoming Gary Gordon Memorial Regatta and purchase of certificates to award winners in each class of boats.

#### 2. FIRST VC: Gerald Krupp, Absent.

#### 3. FLEET VC: Bill Field:

- A. The outboard motor for Catalina 25 "Carol Ann" has been sent to the shop for repair and a deposit was paid.
- B. Repairs have been completed on the damaged Sunfish hulls and they are ready for use for classes.
- C. Someone had borrowed a Sunfish trailer and it needs to be returned. Bill will check on this. BoD discussed possible sale of the 23' Kittiwake. A condition of sale is that the boat must be removed from HSA property.
- D. Repairs were completed on the Jib for "Windflower" ; and it was reinstalled. The Boat Captain will need to install the sail cover and sheets.

4. **MEMBERSHIP VC:** Jake Morgan suggested that we try to run the next regatta without using Regatta Network since he is not available to assist with registrations and no one else has been trained to do it. After discussion of the pros and cons, the BoD agreed to try this as a test to see how it works out and then we can revisit the topic. We will post the NOR on our HSA website; there are no registration fees for this event so we will register participants manually on the day of the event; and the Race Committee will calculate the handicapped results onsite, then present awards.
5. **EDUCATION AND TRAINING VC:** Ernst Matheus reported that the first Sunfish class was unable to hold class for the last two Saturdays due to weather. Make-up dates are scheduled for April 30 and May 8.
6. **EVENTS VICE COMMODORE:** Woody Sessoms requested clarification on the funding amounts he will be allowed and whether we are limited to only hot dogs and/or hamburgers for Big Boys Races (BBZ), Seasonal Series Races, and Regattas. Amounts were approved to serve as guidelines rather than absolute limits and the menu can be modified to provide some occasional variety. The BoD thanked Woody for the great pasta meal he provided at the last BBZ.
7. **SECRETARY:** Rick DiGioia, Absent. Has resigned from this position.
8. **TREASURER:** Dewey Beliech gave the Treasurer's Report for Year-to-Date as of 28 April. Our net operating income is still positive for this time period in spite of having just paid our very expensive insurance premium bill. He also gave a summary of the need to repair/replace both the wooden pier and floating concrete dock, cost estimates being received for this project, the plans for requesting grant funds for the project, and our back-up plans if no grant funds are awarded. Due to the deteriorated condition of the floating dock, the BoD voted and approved obtaining a final quote from the local contractor that inspected the dock and authorized signing a contract if the cost does not exceed the approved amount. (Note: It is BoD policy not to include financial information details in the minutes that are posted on our public website. BoD members will gladly provide that information at any time to any members requesting it.)
9. **HYS:** Steve Caron, Absent.  
  
ERAU SAILING CLUB: Chris Herbster will coordinate implementing the new Division, Class and trophy procedures for the upcoming Gary Gordon Memorial Regatta. Also, the Race Committee for the event will implement some additional handicapping rules to try to even out the competition between various levels of expertise and experience. Those rules will be listed in the Notice of Race (NOR) to be published for the event and explained to the participants at the event.
10. **HOBIE FLEET 80:** Dave Dunn, Absent.

**OLD BUSINESS:** There was no additional old business.

**NEW BUSINESS:** There was no additional new business.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. Big Boys Race will be held Sunday, May 1, 2016. Captains' Meeting will be at 11:30 and the Small Boats class will have their race start at 12:30; followed by starts for Multi-hulls and then "Big Boys" (boats over 18'). A cook-out will follow completion of the races. All members are invited to join in as crew or "sightseers" on a boat or just to relax and observe.
2. Periodically informational e-mails and announcements are sent out to all members that have provided their e-mail address. This is a great way to keep abreast of happenings at your sail club. If you wish to be included in these announcements, please provide your current e-mail address to Jake Morgan, our Membership Vice-Commodore or Peter Burg, our Commodore.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:08 PM.