

Satuit Boat Club
Minutes to Meeting
January 11, 2010
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Upcoming Dates

No February or March Member Meeting.
February 21 – Club House in Use – Moriarty
March 20 – Club House in Use – Decker
April 10 – Club House in Use – Ryan
April 12 – General Member Meeting 8pm

Commodore's Report

Commodore Dennis Walsh called the meeting to order a quorum was present.

Vice Commodore

Bill Mullen: No update

Rear Commodore

Jim Kwiatkowski announces the holiday party was a success. The tree, gifts and food were all delivered that were greatly appreciated. Thanks to all those who attended.

Treasurer

Joe Cheney reported on the budget. Membership dues were mailed on 1/4. Joe reviewed the proposed an amendment to the club constitution and why these changes are needed. Federal and State Tax filing had been missed for four years (2005, 2006, 2007 & 2008). Taxes have been filed and requests for abatement of the penalties have been filed.

House

Roland was unable to attend.

Floats

Billy Evans was unable to attend.

Junior Sailing

Didier Bertola has no new news at this time.

Race

No updates.

Secretary

George Skidmore requested approval of the December Meeting Minutes. Members approved. No change in the membership status.

Old Business

- 1) Tax issue: Tax filings are complete. Await the results of the penalty abatement request.
- 2) A Ladder on the floats will be added to increase safety. A ladder will assist anyone who has fallen of the floats. Dennis Walsh is actively working on a resolution.
- 3) Constitution amendment was proposed that will add tax filing responsibilities to the Treasurer have been proposed. Amendment proposal will be open to the floor for discussion at the January meeting. A vote will be held at the next meeting (April) on the amendment.

Under "It shall be the duty of the Treasurer" add the following;

#8 The treasurer shall declare within 90 days of each fiscal year end that the year's taxes have been filed. State how much taxes were paid, if any. Have a copy of the filed tax return at the first meeting following the filing of the year's taxes for review by the membership. If an extension is necessary a copy of the extension must be available for review at the above mentioned meeting and follow up must be reviewed at each meeting until that year's taxes are complete.

- 4) Alternative Launch Service during off hours. In the past, launch service during the early and late season has been contracted out to Cedar Point. This will be reviewed for the 2010 season.

New Business:

No New Business

Bowlines

As the Crow Flies - When lost or unsure of their position in coastal waters, ships would release a caged crow. The crow would fly straight towards the nearest land thus giving the vessel some sort of a navigational fix. The tallest lookout platform on a ship came to be known as the crow's nest.