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Satuit Boat Club
Minutes of Meeting
April 15, 2019

Present: Bob Ulwick, Tom Gavin, Bill Fairbanks, Dave Sullo, Jay Swartz, Kevin O'Leary, Jerry Cain, Bob Rappold (part time), Larry Burke. Absent: Bill Mullen, Brian Greenberg.

1. Tom Gavin called the meeting to order at 8:00 pm. A quorum was present.
2. Tom made a motion to approve the minutes of the Nov 26 meeting. Jerry seconded the motion. The motion passed.
3. Float Committee - Bill Fairbanks
 - Bill thanked Frank Griffin for shrink wrapping the launch, the three junior sailing coach boats, and the four Mercuries. Bill also thanked the following volunteers for their help: Leif Lindbloom, Randy Robertson, Larry Burke, Dave Sullo, Tad Beagley, Steve & Jane Shannon, and Don MacDonald.
 - Bill said that he needs volunteers this Saturday to work on the floats & mooring buoys.
 - A diver will be working on the chains for the floats and moorings.
 - Brigitta Lindbloom suggested that the club provide food on our work days.
4. Secretary - Jerry Cain
 - Jerry welcomed four new members: Michael & Sandi Evensen, Alec & Bonnie Hay, Randy & Sharley Robertson, and Kristen & Chris Collins. Steve & Lynda Mullen have returned. Three members have resigned: Leo & Maureen Boudreau, Bill & Phyllis Ketter, and Patrick & Anne Burke. Four members have changed from active life membership to semi-inactive life or inactive life classification: Simon & Marge Schiller, Dennis & Casey Walsh, Sunny Adams, and Bill & Sandra Ellsworth.
 - Jerry said that we currently have 110 active members and we do not have any applications pending at this moment however this could change at any time. Active members consist of three classifications: regular, provisional, and active life. He said that the constitution on page 42 says that the Executive Committee will set membership targets for regular and provisional members subject to the approval of the club. The constitution does not appear to address the issue of a limit on the number of life members. Jerry reported that the Executive Committee discussed a membership limit at their April 11 meeting and recommend limiting the total number of regular, provisional, and active life members to 112. Jerry summarize the discussion at the April 11 Executive Committee meeting. (Refer to the minutes of that meeting.) Bill Evans made a motion to limit the number of members to 112. Frank Griffin seconded the motion. A discussion ensued including the following ideas: use a limit of 116, only limit the number of regular and provisional members, have a separate limit on the number of life members, and approve a limit of 112 now and create a committee to study the issue further. A vote was taken on the motion to adopt a limit of 112 and the motion passed.
 - Jerry listed the information available to members on the password-protected side of the club's website. This includes: the gate code, a copy of the current booklet, an addendum to the booklet showing the changes to the membership, monthly financial reports, minutes, club fees, how to reserve the clubhouse, launch service guidelines, and more. He urged all members to become familiar with it.
 - We intend to offer adult sailing lessons again this year. More info later.
 - We are working on a new way of ordering clothing. More info later. Burgees are available for purchase. Contact Jerry Cain.

5. Treasurer - Jerry Cain for Bill Mullen
 - In Bill's absence, Jerry read a report entitled "SBC Treasurer's Report for April 15, 2019 member's Meeting" written by Bill Mullen. This report has been appended to these minutes.
6. House Committee - Larry Burke
 - House Day will be May 18 starting about 8:30am. Bring tools and muscle. We will be changing the door code at that time. Watch for an announcement of the new code prior to House Day.
7. Launch - Bob Ulwick
 - The launch will be launched on May 6 at 3:30pm. Scituate Boatworks has completed some minor repairs and pre-launch work. The rapid depletion of rudder zincs has been traced to a disconnected bonding wire.
 - We are making some minor changes to the kayak rack including the addition of nameplates and some rearrangement.
 - We would like to paint the deck of the launch with a non-skid paint. If anyone has the skill to do this and would like to volunteer, please contact Bob. We are also looking for volunteers to paint the bottom and clean the topsides.
 - We are looking at using Dockwa. It provides a good method of keeping track of payments. Ed Leary has been speaking with current users of the system. Bob said that we will come to a conclusion regarding Dockwa. Tom Dennehy commented that he spoke to a marina in Connecticut who doesn't like it. Frank Griffin said that most members of the American Great Loop Society say that Dockwa is a good idea only if it is managed 24 hours per day. Frank commented that things here at the Club seem to work well now so why change to Dockwa. Bob said that a change to Dockwa has a lot to do with handling the payments. He said that we are still in the research phase. Tom Gavin mentioned that Ed Leary does not like Dockwa. A member asked how Dockwa makes money and Bob replied that they get 3 1/2% and this includes whatever charge card processing fee that Dockwa may incur. From our viewpoint, the Dockwa fee would be very similar to what we would pay in bank fees for accepting a charge card payment. Phyllis Karlberg asked if Ed has indicated how many transients have asked about Dockwa last summer. Bob said that he did not have this information.
 - Bill Evans said that the last bill for boatyard work on the launch was \$2200 and asked what the work entailed. Bob said that he wasn't familiar with that invoice. Bill said that over the last three years, we have spent a total of approx. \$52,000 on the launch including expenditures of \$18,500 and \$33,000. Bob explained that we had a 3-year plan which is complete. Tom said that this work included repair of the seat supports, the fiberglass in the forward bilge area, painting, stainless railing repair, teak combing repair, repairs and wiring in the steering console plus other items.
8. Race - Kevin O'Leary
 - We will have three races this summer: Scituate Invitational June 29, Horace Day Race Aug 8, and the Chowder Cup on Sept 9.
 - An introductory course on racing is a possibility.
 - Non-racers may attend the after-parties. A small fee will be charged to cover food.
 - Janet Fairbanks said that research has revealed that Mr. Horace Day was one of the original members of the Boat Club. He made a \$5,000 cash donation to become an honorary life member and the money was used towards the relocation of the club from the area of the Welch Company property to the current location on Jericho Road.
9. Entertainment Committee - Jay Swartz
 - The Committee held one social event each month during the off-season.
 - Chile & Chowder Night is coming up on Friday April 26.

- In lieu of an Opening Day Brunch, we will be holding a 75th Anniversary Dinner on Sunday, June 2 at the Barker Tavern. We don't have the menu and exact pricing yet. Jay said that he would like the club to fund a small portion of the cost given that we will not incur the cost of the usual opening day event.
- We intend to purchase a coffee maker in lieu of buying coffee during our work days. Jay said that the Entertainment Committee hasn't normally provided food and beverages during pre-dock day and pre-house day.

10. Floats - Bill Fairbanks

- Regarding dinghies, the club rules state that the member's name must appear on the dinghy. Dinghy stickers will be enforced. Bill Mullen has sent out the dinghy stickers and they do include the name.

11. Phyllis Karlberg said that she will handle the printing of the booklets again this year and they will be ready for distribution at the event on June 2.

12. Junior Sailing

- Brian Greenberg was unable to attend this meeting. Tom Gavin reported that Brian completed the purchase of three new 420's for the club.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40pm

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SBC Treasurer's Report for April 15, 2019 Member's Meeting by Bill Mullen

The Financial reports for the months of January through March have been completed and currently reside within the Member's Area of the SBC Website. If any member desires access to this secured area and does not know the password please check with the club secretary. Lots of great information in this section.

The transition to our new accounting firm has gone well and we are up and running on a later version of Quickbooks. We have tweaked the administrative process somewhat and all our accounting and bookkeeping needs are being processed by one company.

Annual invoices for dues, dinghy, kayak and locker rentals were prepared and mailed in January. Special thanks to Dave Sullo who provided the printing and mailing service. All but a very small number of payments have been received and deposited. Revenues and expenses are on track and, so far, align with the 2019 budget.

Many thanks to Linda Evans for the generous donation for use of the clubhouse on February 23rd. These funds were given to the entertainment committee to help defray special event expenses.

Parking mirror hangers, dinghy and kayak stickers were prepared and should be sent out by April 15th. If you haven't received yours by April 22nd or so notify the Treasurer at Treasurer@satuitboatclub.net. Those members that paid a little late may experience delayed receipt of your hanger and stickers but

should be received by mid-May. Please contact Larry Burke with any questions concerning locker assignments.

Completed the job description and duties of the SBC Treasurer. This is a great read and if you desire a copy let the Treasurer or Secretary know and we'll get one out to you.

I'll close this report with a fun fact: ten years ago our projected revenue budget was \$122,000, this year it's \$187,000 an increase of over 50%.