

Satuit Boat Club  
Minutes of General Membership Meeting  
November 8, 2021

*EC Members Present:* Dave Sullo, Jerome Murphy, Jay Swartz, Michael McDonough, Mark Selvaggi, Greg McBride, Brendan Murphy, Randy Robertson, Eileen Keenan

Meeting called to order at 20:03; a quorum was present.

Commodore Update:

- Acknowledged Veteran members for Veteran's Day and thanked them for their service
- Announced recent passing of SBC member Sunny Adams
- Minutes from Sep 13, 2021 meeting approved with minor amendment to motion made by Billy on insurance which was changed to read "Flood insurance policy of April 28 2022 to be approved and voted on by the membership, motion passed"; Revised minutes will be distributed and posted to website
- Wifi upgraded to faster speed at a savings of \$30/month by having 2-year contract; Jerry suggested evaluating cable bill for additional cost savings in the future; Tad is also looking at possibly extending WiFi to dock area and beyond. Phylis noted that Town of Scituate is also looking to improve WiFi within the harbor
- Next meeting in Winter will include finalization of Constitution, rather than discuss at this General Membership meeting. Christa questioned why changes to the constitution were not distributed prior to tonight's meeting. Dave responded that we didn't want to bring up the changes at this meeting, and that we will only discuss the timeline at this meeting. Motion made and approved to hold a special meeting to finalize Constitution on December 13, 2021 7:00pm. The draft Constitution will be finalized at the December meeting that will then be sent out to membership to be voted on at the next general membership meeting.

Vice Commodore Update:

- Launch is out of water and going to Scituate Boat Works for maintenance

Rear Commodore Update:

- Made determination on equipment repair for boats that make money for the club
- Thanked members who helped with shrink wrapping of boats
- Leif asked question about missing equipment on kayaks; will be addressed in the spring
- Phyllis asked about skeg missing on paddleboard; Romey suggested sheet for members to report damage to equipment
- Christa asked how these items will be documented; Commodore stated it will be added to minutes and to SBC's "to do" list

Entertainment Update: Jay

- Off-Season events list published; specifically upcoming tailgate party and holiday party

House Update: Tad

- Great House Day with compliments on how club appears

Race Update: Mark

- Pushing to get more people interested in racing, particularly with Mercurys
- Jerry suggested a day with grandparents and grandchildren racing against each other, or something similar in an informal race
- Dave discussed allowing members to use Mercurys without being charged

Floats Update: Mike

- SBC survived storm on 27-29 Oct with relatively minor damage
- Lost one piling due to lack of it being in the ground properly; contractor will ensure pilings are properly secured for future storms, so dock day will be earlier to allow contractor to do this work in spring. Will be discussed further during budget portion of meeting.
- Thanked membership for successful Dock Day
- Jerry provided update on potable water for docks; Ed Dougherty confirmed water on docks is potable
- Dock Day will require additional work to make legal with our permit
- Jerry asked if SHYC's contractor's equipment is sufficient for conducting our work; Mike confirmed it was appropriate for driving our filings. Proposal for budget adjustment to pay for this will be discussed during budget portion of meeting.
- Leif will be re-varnishing gangway handrails

Junior Sailing Update: Eileen Keenan

- Met with outgoing committee members for transition
- Getting new instructors for upcoming season

Secretary update: Randy

- Provisional/Regular/Life (P/R/L) members: 115
  - Currently 3 over membership cap (112)
- Applications in progress (1):
  - Nlco Afanasenko

Treasurer update: Romey

- Requesting meeting with our CPA regarding posting of transactions in Quickbooks to better understand how categorization of transactions is conducted.
- Bill: Asked about moving excess funds to "rainy day" funds; will be discussed during budget discussion

New business:

- Budget (proposed budget sent out prior to meeting to all members):
  - Special attention was brought to 2021 (blue) and 2022 (yellow) columns
  - 2021: ~\$20,000 better than original budget, to include substantial profit by Junior Sailing program. Transient moorings made \$22,000. Spent \$3,000 over and above for launch service coverage while launch was out of commission
  - 2022: Revenue is ~\$19,000 is lower due to initiation fee limits, junior sailing potentially generating less income, and less in transient mooring.
  - Question about pay-or-play which hasn't been charged in 2019, 2020 or 2021. Discussion on methodology for documenting members who participated for 2021 since documentation hasn't been maintained. Jamie proposed motion to have members provide to treasurer their hours worked or else get billed; motion was not seconded and did not move further. Dave proposed that pay-or-play be counted for 2021 despite not having good documentation on tracking. Executive Committee will work to determine who worked throughout 2021 and who gets billed.
  - Tad discussed House Capital Expenditure budget of \$9,000 for improvements to the club (carpet, IT infrastructure, fire alarm, fireplace, chimney flashing/roofing, HVAC ducting/venting, furniture, doors/windows, plumbing, decking, etc.). Christa asked about process for each chairperson to propose for their committee for members to vote on; Dave addressed as month budget being allocated to House and Dock committees which those chairpersons had details for budget. Tad requested if anyone is interested in developing Statement of Work for housekeeping contract; Christa proposed having the contractors provide an estimated cost of what they would do.
  - Jerry asked why we've got \$18,000 profit for 2022 instead of being at "break even" with a zero balance at end of FY.
  - Mike discussed Floats Capital Expenditures. Proposed \$10,000 to ensure pilings are safe in springtime when floats are installed
  - Jerry asked about Junior Sailing Capital Expenditures and purchase of new boats as well as maintenance of boats and trailers, which was addressed by the Executive Committee. Motion made to increase Junior Sailing Capital Expenditure by \$3,500 for new trailer.
  - Mike proposed increase mooring maintenance to \$2,000 which was approved.
  - Motion made and approved to approve proposed budget with is approximately \$3,000 in the black.

Next meeting: Special Meeting to finalize constitution will be held Dec 13, 2021

Meeting adjourned at 22:05