

**Satuit Boat Club**  
**Minutes of General Membership Meeting**  
**October 16 , 2023**

*Present:* Gregg McBride Jay Swartz, Steve Shea, Mike McDonough, Randy Robertson, Dave Gordon, Katie Gaumond, Tim Keenan, Brendan Murphy and Jerome Murphy  
*Absent:* Rita Dennehy

Meeting called to order at 8:03pm and a quorum was present. Members in attendance recorded on Zoom. Minutes to September 11th meeting were voted and approved.

Vice Commodore update (Brendan Murphy):

- Launch was hauled out and is in great shape. Will be winterized and ready for next summer
- Discussed that any members leaving would be assessed any missing assessment if they returned. Also new members would be included in the assessment.
  - **ACTION ITEM:** Language will be developed to be voted on at the next meeting to update the by-laws.

Rear Commodore Update (Steve Shea):

- Boats all out of water and some on-going maintenance will be done off-season
- Mercury shrink-wrap will be provided by Jerry Cain to be re-installed this year.

Secretary Update (Randy Robertson):

- 1 new applicant voted in to waiting list:
  - Patricia and Bill Sullivan and Tom Coughlan
- Currently there are 10 on the waiting list
  - Maurice and Stephanie Loeffel (6/15/22)
  - Christa Degan Manning (6/16/22)
  - Dan and Andrea Ramsey (6/22/22)
  - Bob and Nancy Bradley (6/28/22)
  - Sean and Courtney DeLacy (7/6/22)
  - Michael and Bonnie Owens (2/6/23)
  - Steve and Priscilla Grable (3/12/23)
  - Sean Galvin (4/18/23)
  - Mike and Bridget Welch (5/30/23)
  - Kathleen and Tim Malley (6/15/23)
  - Patricia and Bill Sullivan and Tom Coughlan (9/16/23)
- Currently 2 over the membership cap
- Provided burgee to Commodore to present to our Dock Chairperson

#### Treasurer Report (Romie Murphy):

- Provided an update on budget for FY23; please see monthly finance report on the SBC website for more details.
- Discussed transferring funds to Vanguard account on an annual basis for capital improvements. It was pointed out that some of the Vanguard funds are for insurance deductible if needed.
- Discussed some of the upcoming expenditures for FY23, to include Scituate Boat Works bill and potential cross-beaming of pier.
- The monthly cleaning bill was discussed, to include window cleaning and the SBC Constitutional requirement for re-bidding of recurring contracts. It was clarified that House Committee did bid on cleaning contract. Other contracts such as bookkeeping, dumpster and others were pointed out as requiring bidding per Constitution.

#### Float Chairperson update (Mike McDonough):

- Very successful Dock Day!
- Mercuries are out and on the trailer
- Moorings are in good shape with some minor repairs made.
- Floats are in quite disrepair and starting to rot, and need to be replaced
  - Replacing all docks would cost \$174,000 without delivery, and around \$200,000 with delivery
  - Will be putting out a survey to general membership on options to replace these docks, but floats will need to have something done regardless.
  - Commodore discussed some of the financial options that are being considered for payment of these floats. These options will be provided via survey and voted on by general membership, to be provided as a supplement to the budget.
  - It was discussed that insurance for floats will need to be increased to accommodate the increase in value of floats, which was agreed upon by the Executive Board.
  - It was discussed about assessing membership for a portion of the floats, then schedule replacement of other floats in the future depending on need.
  - A second quote for floats will be obtained per SBC constitution
  - **ACTION ITEM:** Survey will be sent to members with options for replacing of floats

#### Entertainment Chair Update (Jay Swartz):

- Closing Event was a great success, and steaks were delicious.
- Exploring way to pay electronically which Treasurer has a plan in place
- Entertainment Committee meeting Oct 25<sup>th</sup> for off-season events; if members wish any events to be held, please contact Jay Swartz
- SBC and SHYC will be hosting a Tailgate Party on Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> at the SHYC which members are invited to.

#### Technology Chairperson Update (Dave Gordon):

- Discussed SBC weather station, and transitioning that under Technology Chair. Motion made, seconded and approved to transfer it under Technology.

Race Chairperson Update (Jamie Plasman):

- Awards Ceremony on Nov 4<sup>th</sup> at SHYC
- Race marks are out of the water
- Scituate Sailing being under SBC has been successful

Junior Sailing Chairperson Update (Tim Keenan):

- No Update provided

House Chairperson update (Rita Dennehy & Katie Gaumont):

- House Day in two weeks on Oct 28<sup>th</sup> at 8am
- Received approval from Executive Committee for new sliders hardware for doors, making improvement with landscaping and signs out front, cross-beams for piers, and possibly replacing front door and pier decking in spring 2024.
- Requesting members to assemble on Friday at 10am to remove old lumber from piers in preparation for new lumber being delivered for new cross-beams.
- A request was made for donation of chairs in memory of members, which was agreed was a good idea with no objections

Commodore Update (Gregg McBride):

- Budget was supposed to have been sent to General Membership prior to meeting, but due to a misunderstanding by the secretary, it was only sent to Executive Board
- Budget will be distributed and will be discussed at next meeting.

New Business:

- No new business.

Next General Membership meeting will be Nov 13<sup>th</sup>

Meeting adjourned at 9:15pm