

**MINUTES, OYC Board Meeting
March 9, 2006, PYC Commodore's Room**

Attending: Officers: Steve Battel, John Beeker, Sherry Corbett,
Matt Zaremski
Trustees: Neil Liner, John Scherer, Sheri Marcus
Others: Ginger Zaremski, Karen Dobbs, Rick Rowan, Sam (visitor-
New Orleans),

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m.

The minutes of the meeting held on January 19, 2006 were approved and submitted.

Treasurer's report – Sherry Corbett

1. Bank balances and recent audit report were reviewed.
 - a. Audit passed
 - b. \$4,564.06 is in the OYC bank account.
 - c. May have to pay some taxes, but should refunded once we gain our R-5014 status.
2. Motion was made to accept Treasurer's report. Motion was seconded.

Commodore Report – Steve Battel:

1. 2006 Officers Dinner was a great success; Held at the Acropolis on February 22, 2006 and members of OYC, PYC and LNYC attended.
2. PYC sent their new General Manager to join in the dinner.
3. The dinner came in under budget.
4. At the dinner, an open discussion was held between the clubs; although no great plans were decided upon, all agreed to keep communications open.
 - a. Some of the topics of discussion were LNKC's responsibility for race markers. Last year, \$300 more than originally budgeted had to be collected to maintain the markers.
5. Ratings that were thought to be calculated improperly in the past will have a chance to be challenged and recalculated this year.
 - a. Chip Richardson of PYC is the LNKC Chairman for 2006.
 - b. PYC will be responsible for the Wilmer Cub in the Fall of 2006.
 - c. Steve also noted that it is up to the competitors to protest ratings. Forms can be found on the website of OYC.

6. It was recommend in the meeting that all lake-wide events be open to all sailors to bring in new members. Details of this would need to be worked out and was put up for discussion. Some items were:
 - a. Fees could be different for Yacht club members than for non-members.
 - b. Need to look into the Rules of Racing for Charity events.
 - c. Insurance liability was discussed.

Vice Commodore Report – John Beeker:

1. Notice of Race for the Top Gun Race to be held on March 18th was sent out and so far, only 6 entrants have registered.
 - a. There will be one 1 Top Gun winner; John has hats, but may have 2nd and 3rd place, but different trophies for those places.
2. Notice for the Spring Series will go out first of coming week as a reminder to everyone.
3. Pursuit of Sailing is coming soon. Need to clarify the dates.
4. Battery in the Committee boat is not working properly. Timer is not working and has quit entirely. Steve will talk to Doug about this and see what can be done.

Discussion: Rear Commodore is responsible for obtaining T-Shirts for special events. Matt Zaremski to forward list of past cost for T-Shirts. Matt noted that Sean Murphy wants to design the shirts for special events. Vice Commodore is responsible for Trophy's for all race events.

Rear Commodore Report – Matt Zaremski:

1. Article about the Frogmore Stew was in the Lake Norman Magazine and suggested that we see if we could put a link to that article from our website.
 - a. Postcards were sent out for the Frogmore Stew as well as a flyer included in an email to members. Matt has also sent out a reminder notice email today.
 - b. As of today, we have 20 people RSVP'd for the Stew.
2. Matt inquired about progress on the website redesign. Steve Battel will try to have Mike Quigley join our next Board Meeting to discuss what can be done to improve our site.
3. Ginger Zaremski has been named Chairperson of the Social Committee.
4. All venues have been scheduled except for the Huntington's Disease which Matt is working on.
5. Membership:
 - a. As of this Board Meeting, we have 55 Members total, which consists of 46 Full Members and 9 Associate Members. We are expecting more memberships upcoming via Frogmore Stew and the Wednesday Night Series.

6. We need to work on advertising in local papers and getting the word out as much as possible to increase membership.
7. A member has requested that we have the "Burning of the Socks" event at the Frogmore Stew. Matt explained that this is a Chesapeake Bay tradition that marks the end of winter and the beginning of spring. No decision was reached. It was fine with everyone if that took place at the Frogmore, but there was concern about how well an open fire would be accepted by the Mariners Cove landlord.
8. Our next event will be the Pursuit of Sailing Regatta in April.

Unfinished Business:

1. Proposed Community Sail Center. A letter was sent to Larry Vatez endorsing Jetton Park.
2. Still have no word from the IRS on our 501(c) (7) Social club Non-Profit Status. Sherry Corbett to inform as soon as it arrives from IRS.

New Business:

1. Proposal to change the OYC Racing Policy.
 - a. Rick Rowan discussed all proposed changes stating that our Policy as it stands now is limited in scope, not complete and does not address certain types of events.
 - b. Handicap Racing: A change in wording was discussed and approved by the Board.
 - c. Participation: A change in wording was discussed and approved by the Board.
2. Steve suggested that Club Affiliates be added to race entry forms. Noted and agreed.

Next meeting: May 11, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. at the PYC Commodore Room (lower level).

The meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.