



EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING  
DECEMBER 13, 2010  
**MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Bill Young, Norma Turner, Dave MacCabe, David Bateman, Lane Romano

**SKYPE:** Allan Fisher

**REGRETS:** Rod Reikie, Brian Anderson, Temple Murray

The minutes from the November meeting were adopted as written, Motion to accept by Norma and seconded by Lane. Passed

**Report from Commodore:**

Bill met with Cliff from MBHA in regards to the changes to the proposed lease. We are waiting for them to come back with lease containing changes to reflect increase of \$50 per slip per year and the change to allow non-sailboats to be included in the lease as long as they are members of SLSC. Winter Training session— Bill suggested that an interest in the use of GPS has been indicated by the some of the membership. He has had initial discussions with Jamie Parkin to give this workshop sometime in March.

**Vice-Commodore's Report**

see attached report - not available at the meeting but summarized by Norma  
Additionally, Norma noted that the internal audit of the club is almost complete with the assistance of Yvonne Bradshaw. There will be new financial statements which reflect changes identified during the audit.

**Director of Asset Management Report**

Dave is going to locate all the assets and complete an inventory report for the club. He is also progressing on the registration of the committee boat and trailer and stated that it will be completed in the near future. He will also review the existing insurance policies to ensure they are appropriate.

**Harbour Master Report**

There are currently 27 boats that have sent in applications and post-dated cheques, plus the committee boat slip brings the total of 28 committed slips. Last year we had 32 slips filled, we had 5 boats not re-apply and one new applicant. There are 42 memberships currently paid.

**Fleet Captain Report**

Chris Watson has resigned from the position and is currently vacant. Norma is actively pursuing a replacement. Barry Tee has offered to complete the Sailing Instructions for the 2011 year.

**New Business**

**Racing Schedule** – the following schedule is proposed:

Wednesday night racing – there will be 16 races in 4 series, they will commence on May 25 and continue until Sept 7

Regattas – the following regattas are proposed

Saturday, June 18 - Summer Sailstice Cruise Regatta – format to be determined; Sunday, July 3 – Ladies Skipper Race; Saturday, July 16 – Commodore's Cup; Saturday, Aug 13 – Memorial Cup

**Communications** - no one present to report

A question from Dave MacCabe as to whether the SLSC website could be linked from the Town of Sylvan Lake website – Allen said he would look into the possibility and report back to Temple.

**Donor Relations**

Al Fisher sent a report to Temple but it was not available for the meeting. He reported that 80% of the donations were allocated to the Hummer. He suggested that the club needs to have a place to allocate donor funds such as the Junior Sailing Program, as donors are not willing to donate to subsidize the running of the sailing club. He reported that the Junior sailing club could be started with the purchase of Opti sailboats

**EOSH**

Chris Watson was not present to report but provided a written report. The executive would like further information such as a financial report and statistics such as the number of boats, number of boats from outside clubs etc.

**Social Committee**

Al Fisher reported for the Social committee, they are recommending that the series end socials be held at Pier 7 on a pay-as-you-go basis, each member paying for their own costs. Discussions with the management of Pier 7 have been held and they are willing to accommodate the club on those evenings. John or Al will host one social event after one of the weekend races. Volunteers to host other events will be requested.

Minutes recorded and submitted by Norma Turner, in the absence of the Secretary, Temple Murray, to be approved at the next meeting of the executive committee.



## Report from the Vice-Commodore to the SLSC Board for meeting December 13, 2010

### Internal Audit of SLSC Financials for year ending Sept 30/10

After overcoming the challenge of distance, time and technology, Lane was able to provide me with the accounting records of the club and we are well on our way of completing the internal audit. I have made an initial examination of the accounting records. Yvonne has agreed to co-audit the statements with me and we are coordinating a time that the three of us can meet to verify the original documents.

One issue requiring BOARD APPROVAL is the writing off of assets that are on the books of the club that we no longer possess. We will bring a motion forward when the Director of Assets is able to complete a full inventory.

### Recruiting – Membership and Fleet Captain

Membership - Gail Surkan has agreed to accept the position of Membership, I am unsure of the process of appointing her to that position; I believe it will require a motion at the next meeting. I recommend we do so as she is already up and running and doing the job and relieving our stalwart Temple of some of her many responsibilities. Welcome aboard I say!

Fleet Captain – Barry Tee has agreed to help with things like the racing instructions but is not willing to take on the whole job. I am searching for someone who may be willing but is hesitant due to lack of experience and would benefit from having a mentor/advisor in Barry. I have put out a couple of inquiries but **I am asking for recommendations from all board members** to help fill this position that is very important to our racing lives.

### Public Relations

One message that appears we need to put out to the public is that we are recruiting new sailboats to fill our slips as currently we have only 19 registered boats. This should be the responsibility of all club members and in particular **all board members**. So we need to promote the club and the benefits of joining along with mooring their boat at Marina Bay.

The board will have to decide under **what restrictions or lack thereof that we are accepting new boats**.

Suggestions requiring discussion:

- One tool that we have to get the message out is our own website; I will have our webmaster add a notice as such to our page.
- Advertising in local newspapers as well as Calgary, however this would require a budget.
- Forward notices to other sailing organizations i.e. Calgary and Ghost, where sailboats may be sitting and not aware that we are the “Premier Sailing Location in Alberta”.
- But the best promotion comes by word of mouth, so all club members must get out and spread the good word.

## END OF SUMMER HUMMER 2011



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EOSH Committee Report

December 13, 2010

Recently the committee has begun reviewing some of the strengths and weakness of the past event. We recognize, with the potential reduction in the number of club boats going into the new season, we may need to adjust our focus slightly for this event.

However, moving forward, new for 2011, we will look at introducing the use of an off-set windward mark, this is successfully used in many regattas today, much to the appreciation and enjoyment of the competitors. In a nutshell, it makes for safer, less congested windward mark rounding's, and in addition, it creates more passing opportunities with the reduced interaction of other boats or fleets also sailing to windward.

A note to all skippers, this type of mark rounding will now give your crew the additional time they have repeatedly ask for, in order to set up, and execute the perfect spinnaker launch.

We remain open, to additional comments from the membership, while looking forward, and creating an appropriate and sustainable event for the club, in the years to come.

Chris  
EOSH Regatta Chair