

SMSA Officer's meeting

Saturday January 12, 2013

Attendees: Emily Mezzetti, Natalie Coleman-Fuller (2nd VP), Chuck Leonard (Treasurer), Beth Smith (Secretary), Rob Hurd (administrator)

Absent: Mark Conroy (1st VP)

Meeting called to order at 0921

1. Completing the contract between SMSA and Rob Hurd (administrator) for the 2013 year.
2. Review of Officers duties
 - a. Treasurer:
 - i. Last year we discussed taking some of our \$\$ and putting it into a long-term CD (\$50k) with a second signature on it most likely the President and/or treasurer.
 - b. Secretary:
 - i. Take good minutes.
 - ii. Need to find missing minutes from last year year's meeting.
 - c. 2nd VP: Swag
 - i. T-shirt; order more this year
 - ii. Burgess for each club.
 - iii. Finding missing trophy
 - d. 1st VP:
 - i. Help the president with the transition
 - ii. Find missing organizational info from the 2001 to 2006 time frame.
 - e. President: run the organization
3. Agenda of winter conference calls:
 - a. Feb 11, 2013: Financial health of the organization and any dues updates.
 - i. Dues mailing on March 1, 2013, due on April 30, 2013 with the YC info sheet.
 - b. March 11 2013: Training: Instructor, powerboat, race management, judging, etc
 - c. April 8, 2013: SMSA Summer Racing (Grand Prix)
 - d. May 13, 2013: SMSA Summer Racing (Team Racing, Ladder events, etc)
 - e. June 24, 2013: Program Directors, Head Instructors, and Race Coaches meeting at the Grand Cove YC.
 - f. Aug 20, 2013: Awards and Annual Meeting
 - g. More attendance on calls:
 - i. Personal touch is important. Officers contact people from area clubs to remind them of the call.
 - ii. Fliers to be mailed out to clubs with the dues notice. (To board by Feb 1, 2013)
 1. SMSA regattas
 2. Calls and Meeting dates
 3. Websites & Admin's e-mail
 - iii. YC info page to be included in the dues notices
4. Recruitment of Future Officers:
 - a. Replace of officers
 - i. Right now we are schedule to replace officers every two years. The secretary and Treasure have no schedule, so it is expected
 - b. New candidates of new people:

- i. Multiple names and locations discussed
- 5. Financial Health of SMSA
 - a. Right now we have a lot of extra \$\$\$. What should we do with it?
 - b. Dues restructuring is not a good idea b/c clubs get use to paying the same fee each year and if you change it, they start to re-think their membership.
 - c. Should we have a new dues rate for community sailing programs
 - d. What about value added for instructor training? Should we pay to have instructor certified so we can use them more in running instructor course/workshops?
 - e. Conclusion:
 - i. Dues reduction to \$100 for schools and Comm. Sailing programs
 - ii. Pay for qualified Instructor candidates to attend the L1/L2 Instructor Trainers course at the NSPS in exchange for teaching a course in the area each year for 10 years.
 - iii. Buy 2,500 SMSA whistle and give them out to clubs
 - iv. Run Race Management and Judges seminars free of charge
- 6. Grand Prix
 - a. Letter to New Bedford YC concerning their changed date of the NBJR. Run by Emily before sending. This will change the GP structure for 2013 and 2014.
 - b. GP Scoring option.
 - i. Score the top 50 only? Not much interest in this one?
 - ii. Top 15-20 Opti sailors make the all SMSA team instead of R-B-W trophies? Not much interest to make this change.
- 7. Adult Racing
 - a. Should we run an adult SMSA Championship for the Ginn (men) and Prosser (Women) August 17-18, 2013? Rob will coordinate with Natalie.
 - b. Team Racing. Why do we do what we do now? Can we develop a localized program that gets more kids involved?
- 8. Other stuff:
 - a. When are programs starting? Ending?
 - b. Why do we send \$500 to Community Boating New Bedford annual fund? I stopped that process b/c there was no obvious reason? Is there one?
- 9. Adjoined at 1214 and go to lunch.