

Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order 2002 hours by SMSA President Natalie Coleman-Fuller

Board attendees:

Natalie Coleman Fuller (Chatham YC) - President

1st VP John Field (Barnstable YC) – 1st VP

2nd VP Andy Herlihy (Community Boating Center - New Bedford)

Beth Smith (Grand Cove YC) – Secretary

Judy Quinn (Hyannis YC) - Treasurer

Also on call:

Rob Hurd (Tabor Academy) - Administrator

Pete Sullivan (Stone Horse YC)

Ali Mitchell (Beverly YC)

Phyllis Partridge (Beverly YC)

1. President's Report –Natalie Coleman-Fuller

- Welcome all. Let's get started.

2. Treasure's report – Judy Quinn

- SM Sailing is on good financial standing. As of 2018-3-8, we have \$81,486.48 in the "bank."
- P&L 2017 = - \$2,617.07
 - We wanted to give more money back to the members in the form of benefits.
 - Training Grants (\$1755) accounted for 67% of overage
 - Rest where stickers, race management, and others.
- P&L 2018 (thru 2018-3-8) has us +\$17,765.
 - We have collected about \$18,000 in dues already
 - Very little expense so far.
 - On track to break even or lose a little again this year, by design.
- **Insurance**
 - **Insurance sub-committee (Rob Hurd, Andy Herlihy, and Judy Quinn) have nothing to report. We will coordinate with Peter Sullivan, insurance agent, and present a plan for the 2018-5-10 meeting.**

3. Grand Prix Protocol (2018-2023)

- Plan was presented and approved by the board on 2017-12-14.
- The board needs to approve a second time tonight.

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- Since the December meeting there have been no additional comments & it is the recommendation of the Administrator that the plan be approved with no changes for 2018-2023.
- **Board approved the plan a second time. This will be the protocol until 2023.**

Grand Prix Protocol 2018-2023

- C420
 - GP regattas reduced from 6 to 4; DBMS is dropped.
 - Three Off-Cape (Beverly, New Bedford, Scituate) will rotate
 - Three Cape & Islands (Edgartown, Vineyard Haven, Falmouth) will rotate.
 - Number of Races required for a regatta to count is reduced from 4 to 3.
- Optis:
 - Four permanent regattas (DBMS, Wianno, Stone Horse, Edgartown),
 - Two of these three (Beverly, Scituate, New Bedford) will rotate)
 - Number of Races required for a regatta to count is reduced from 4 to 3.

4. Training

- Instructors Course.
 - A bunch of L1 scheduled and filled.
 - Trying to set up a course for April school vacation week at DBMS
 - New course added today at MMA – double weekend in May
- Race Management – March 24, 2018
- Dave Perry – April 15, 2018
- Judges – May 5, 2018

5. Prosser- Ginn

- Not very successful last year. Perhaps a Format change is needed? Combine it with an existing regatta, like Chatham Regatta, and loan boats out to supplement fleets
- **Natalie will contact PBCB and CYC and report back at next meeting**

6. SM Sailing and Area A Junior Champs.

- SM Sailing
 - Cummings, Nash and Jones will be the same as last year
- Area A
 - Bemis and Symthe will be part of Marblehead Jr Race Week
 - **Sears will be JUNE 23-24 at Bristol YC in J/22 Note Early Date**

7. Future Officers

- Board change in August. Natalie finishes her term. Standard procedure would be for John and Andy to move up, so we will need a new Second VP
- Administrator calls on the board to start the process of looking for some good quality people who can give 6 years to the board and add some stability and continued vision.
- Board should look for diversity in the board – Geographic, club style, gender, and other factors to create the best board to represent all 45 clubs in the district.

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- Board is changed with starting an e-mail discussion about some appropriate people to approach this summer.

8. Other Business/ New Business

- There as none

ACTION ITEMS:

- 1) Insurance sub committee will make a report in may
- 2) Natalie will report back on Prosser-Ginn
- 3) Board will have a short list of potential candidates for second VP
- 4) Rob, Andy, Peter Sullivan, and Greg Kelley will look at the possibilities of running a level-1 course in late August and report back with their finding

With no further business, the call was adjourned at 2036.