

**GROSSE POINTE SAIL CLUB
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
APRIL 3, 2007**

<u>P</u> Commodore Kenneth Suddick	<u>A</u> Director Sheila Behler
<u>P</u> Vice Commodore Peter D'Angelo	<u>P</u> Director Tom Caulfield
<u>P</u> Rear Commodore William Kuester	<u>P</u> Director Denise Cotter
<u>P</u> Past Commodore Thomas Fraser	<u>P</u> Director Kenneth Thelen

(P = Present E = Excused A = Absent)

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT: 1906 HOURS

BRIDGE REPORTS

Secretary – Chris Behler (P) Minutes to be revised to strike comments regarding reaching saturation at the parties. Denise Cotter was absent.

Treasurer – Ted Williford (P) Chapman and Kuester thanked for the recent drydock. Club spent \$208 more than it received. Entertainment net cost of \$450 for party. Discussion ensued regarding budget versus expense characterization in the report. Report was accepted.

Fleet Captain's Al Raquepau, (A) John Maxwell (A) Planning is underway for the 2 rendezvous

Fleet Surgeon –Steve Liroff (A)

Fleet Chaplain – Beth Gibney (P) Fleet blessing is coming up. Boy scouts have been contacted. Anchorline will carry details.

Fleet Measurer –Pat Clark (P). Please turn in any requests for ratings.

COMMODORE'S COMMITTEES – Kenneth Suddick

ANCHORLINE – George Fuller (P), Dale Johnson (P) Anchorline will carry information on Race. No significant changes have been made to the S.I.

BUDGET & FINANCE – PC Tom Fraser (P) NR

DRYA DELEGATE 1 – PC Larry Haggart (A)

DRYA DELEGATE 2 – PC Bob Schappe (E) NR, It was noted that several significant individuals in DRYA have died recently and the Fleet chaplain will submit something to be placed in the Anchorline.

ILYA – Christopher Behler (P) NR

ENTERTAINMENT – Fred & Debby Chapman (A) Congratulated on the recent party. Commodores Steak Roast coming up.

PUBLICITY – Holly Burns (P) NR

PLANNING – PC Glory Schappe (P) Call for candidates for Rear Commodore and Directors to be submitted.

RISK – PC Denise Cotter (P) NR

ROSTER – Wendy Niven (A) Ads were holding up the Roster but it has gone to the printers and will be available soon.

VICE COMMODORE'S COMMITTEES – Peter D'Angelo

DOCK & SUPPLY – Tom Caulfield (P) Working on a catalog and will get it placed on the web site

EDP – Mark Minor (A) Sent info for roster. The mailing info is in the correct format for the Treasurer

MEMBERSHIP – Steve Liroff (P) The Web site needs to be upgraded so membership forms and other information can be downloaded.

POWER BOAT – Paul Schaap (P) Power boats are all set for the season

RACE – William Kuester (P) SI is complete, \$10 increase for racing. There will be a novice class, one leg up and back. Inquiry about volunteers to help the novices for a race, several people signed up to fill some empty slots. We can also tap into a DRYA list of people who are interested in racing. We could tie in with the fleet blessing to get some of the novices out on the course.

ASST. RACE – Steve Moss (A)

SENIOR RACE OFFICER – Brian Ebner (A)

RACE RECORDS – OPEN ()

RACE COMMITTEE SUPPORT – Fred Baer (A)

RACE SUPPORT – Robert Sharrow (E) Race committee assignment slots have openings for most positions on various dates. First and last race, Com should be in full uniform with as many Commodores as possible turning out.

PROTEST – Andrew Morlan (A)

WEBSITE MANAGER- Larry Socie (A)

REAR COMMODORE'S COMMITTEES – William Kuester

ASSETS MANAGER – Fred Baer (A)

AWARDS – Kurt Lyons (P) Order has been placed for flags. Recycled flags will be taken in for “7” addition this week.

CHARTER & BY-LAWS – PC Gordon Morlan (P) Submit any bylaw changes early as the process requires discussion and meeting certain deadlines

CLUB HISTORY – PC Dennis Cotter (P) PC Ed Olsen (P) Kinkos will do 500 for approx \$2800, Black and White, 130 pages. The original will be available on line. The option exists to distribute electronically and sell hard copies at dock and supply.

DRY DOCK – Nancy McPherson (A)

ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS –AL Raquepau (A)

JUNIOR RACE – Elizabeth Kurta (P) Email sent out with program info and response received from 4 people. Jr. sailing has many attributes for build character in young people. A short item will be placed in the Anchorline.

REGATTA – Dave Gaskin (P) Meeting coming up. Applications have been submitted. Cocktail party is at Com. Bill Kuester's house. Sub Events are in the planning stages. Big sign on start boat will advertise the race party.

ASST REGATTA – Linda Rumon (P) Committee is well organized and proceeding on plans and execution. Tom Caulfield left good turnover notes from last year. Club class is on C course, last start, and open to all club members. There is one club class race. A good turnout is encouraged

VIDEO/PHOTOGRAPHY – OPEN ()

OLD BUSINESS

Detroit River, challenge same course with Windmill Point start. Mugs as awards proposed. It's too late to order flags

Two weeks to the steak roast with low turnout so far. Steaks need to be ordered so please sign up if interested. Get checks in ASAP \$19 chicken \$21 steaks. Phone calls to commodores continue to go out.

Discussion of Leukemia Cup, it's goals and types of participation. Race date is May 19, April 15th deadline for applications. Envelopes available tonight.

NEW BUSINESS

3 Applications for membership

Sheila D'Angelo is a spousal member applicant. Approved

Dave BonaHoom III Active Member Applicant approved.

Susan Browne Active member applicant approved

1 Reinstatement for membership

Jim McGraw Withdrawal letter was submitted originally. Reapplication complete, Active Member Applicant Approved

NDI/Canadian digital charts are now being sold directly by the Canadian Hydrographic Service. Prices are approximately half what they were. Examples are: complete North Channel and Georgian Bay Chart sets for approximately \$75 each (2 sets, \$150 total)

Nexus (5 year), I68 (annual) forms are acceptable this year as previous years.

\$18,000 in CD's (building fund) need consideration, fund is not mentioned in the bylaws. The board controls the fund. Bill Kuester stated that the fund should not be used for general operation. Dues should fund club operation. One time capital or special expense would be good use. Started with \$800, Jay Deed says it was to be used for land and we are overdue for getting a clubhouse, otherwise keep it invested. Peter D'Angelo stated this money cannot be considered as profit as no distribution has been made to any member, interest barely keeps up with inflation and should not be touched in a routine fashion. General consensus is to keep it as a reserve. A dues increase is going to be needed and a position on this funds usage and function needs to be clear. A bylaw statement should be avoided but the Board needs to express itself as to the funds use. Building in dues increases based on inflation was not supported. Limiting the fund to capital use only as a matter of policy was thought to be unwise. A 50% of annual budget level is considered normal for a reserve fund. Consideration regarding this fund should not involve talk of dues increases and the duties of the board as that confuses the issue.

A motion to spend money on the Club History publication in an amount to be determined was tabled. 1 Nay.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tom's Oyster Bar will be closed for the next meeting, 'Antonio's in the Park' is the next meeting site

The next GPSC Board meeting will be May 1, 2007 at Antonio's in the Park.

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2113 hours.

Respectively submitted,
Chris Behler, Secretary