



North Jersey Yacht Racing Association
Regular Meeting
March 11, 2009
Monmouth Boat Club, Red Bank, NJ

The meeting was called to order by Commodore Jeff Jacobi at 1935. The roll call of member clubs was called and a quorum was present; the attendees are listed below.

Recording Secretary Report:

The minutes of the February 11, 2009 meeting were accepted as distributed.

Corresponding Secretary Report:

No report

Treasurer Report-Bernie Kosinski:

The current financial report was distributed and reviewed. Total cash on hand is \$9,697.72. Dues and Ad revenue of \$700 has been received. **The report was reviewed; a motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made, seconded and approved unanimously.**

Rear Commodore's Report-Doug Brown:

No report

Vice Commodore's Report-Kathy Wright:

No report; discussion of the bid sheets continues.

Commodore's Report-Jeff Jacobi:

Commodore Jeff Jacobi reported on several activities. Jeff reviewed the NJYRA website and asks that all clubs take time to update their website officer, junior program and regatta information.

The 420 States Committee would like to have a Northern club join the committee. For the Mallory and Adams ladder regattas, Jeff has sent a letter with a request for clubs to host the open events.

Since some of the events will require chartered or borrowed boats, a question of insurance coverage was raised. NJYRA provides coverage under its insurance excluding 50% of the \$250 deductible for boat damage for boats under \$17,000. NJYRA will cover the other \$125 of the deductible

Jeff had a discussion with Linda Epstein of US Sailing to get insight on organization of the Area C finals. She indicated that

1. It is up to the Area how to organize the event.
2. The issue of mixed crews from multiple clubs has yet to be decided.



The cutoff for resumes to the Mallory and Adams Nationals is Aug 1 so the Area C finals should be before that. The 1st Place finisher would be automatically entered into the National Finals and the 2nd and 3rd place finishers could be resume entrants. The regatta would consist of 3-5 races.

Paul Rousseau is the contact for the Midgets and the Finals will be held on August 22-23 at Indian Harbor YC in Greenwich, CT. MBC expressed strong interest in hosting the NJYRA Midget event.

With the elimination of many ladder events because of Areas and National becoming open events, an idea was raised about including the NJYRA Championships on the NJYRA poster. PC Talbott Ingram will explore the logistics of doing that.

NJYRA will need to obtain approval from US Sailing to waive the right to appeal for Area events. This is needed to assure timely selection of winners to move up to the next level in the ladder.

The Commodore raised the question of what to do with the NJYRA Perpetual Trophies and the consensus was that they be awarded to the Top Finisher in Area Events from the NJYRA.

The Agreement of Winner document that the Commodore prepared last month and asked for comments was reviewed and it was agreed that it be put into effect. The Rear Commodore was tasked as Steward of Trophies to maintain a record of trophy recipients. In the future the goal is that a committee will be put in place.

The Commodore had requested feedback on the draft application for the Faye Bennet Junior Sailing Trophy. The feedback was positive and the application will be put in place. The Flag Officers will constitute the Selection Committee. Bernie Kosinski commented that the design of the trophy with a half-hull of an Opti is coming together and he will review it will Faye's husband Jake for feedback.

The Jr. Safety at Sea Seminar on July 31 is going forward. Ann Myers asked if NJYRA would help financially for snacks, etc. if needed. The consensus was affirmative to provide support if required.

Unfinished Business

By Laws

The By Law Committee chaired by VC Kathy Wright consists of PC Talbott Ingram, PC Ann Myers, PC Jackie Cattanach and the Commodore as Ex Officio member. The directions for changes are

1. To identifies the Flag Officers as Trustees,



2. To reduce the period for circulating changes to 60 days and
3. To codify the 420 States Committee into the By-Laws.
4. Resolve a conflict in the current wording of the By laws between the Commodore and Executive Board with the responsibility for creating committees and appointing committee chairs.

Open House

A NJYRA Open House for member officers and representatives is planned for March 21 from 2-4 PM at RYC. It will be an opportunity for networking and socializing for the YRA club officers. A cash bar will be available and the galley will be available for any attendee to enjoy dinner. Videos of NJYRA events will be shown as background material.

Yearbook

Bob Slook is working on yearbook and asked if clubs would submit a complete ad file. The Yearbook publisher has changed printers but that should not impact us. All members were encouraged to get their ads in.

New Business

Money Market Account

Service by Citi Smith Barney of the NJYRA Money Market account has been very poor and the Commodore and Treasurer requested authority to explore other options. The membership agreed. Some additional contacts at Merrill Lynch were suggested as part of a last ditch attempt at improved service and some other Money Market vendors were discussed.

Event Bid Sheets

VC Kathy Wright led a review of the bid sheets and the bid sheets are nearing completion.

The meeting was adjourned by unanimous motion at 2013.

The next Executive Board Meeting will be on April 7, 2009 at 1930 at MBC

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Malik

Recording Secretary, NJYRA

Attendees:

Clubs Represented:

BLYC, FHSC, HSC, LEHYC, MBC, PHRF-Mid Atlantic, RYC, SBYC, & SSYC.



Name	Club	Position	Attending
Jeff Jacobi	SSYC	Commodore	Y
Kathy Wright	BLYC	Vice Commodore, Rep	Y
Doug Brown	HSC	Rear Commodore, Rep	Y
Bernie Kosinski	SSYC	Treasurer	Y
Rich Warren	SCYC	Corresponding Sec., Rep.	N
Joe Malik	FHSC	Recording Sec., Rep.	Y
Ann Myer	RYC	PC, Rep.	Y
Stuart Van Winkle	SSYC	PC	N
Franz Schneider	LEHYC	PC, Rep.	Y
Woody Woodie	JSC	PC, Rep.	N
Talbott Ingram	SSYC	PC, Jr. Coordinator	N
Bob Curtiss	AHYC	Rep	N
Gary Liusi	MBC	Rep	Y
Robert Slook	SSYC	Rep	Y
Joe Richter	SSYC	PC, Mallory Comm.	N
Jim Walsh	PHRF	Rep	Y
Alan Deekan	KYC	Rep	N
Jackie Cattanach	MBC	PC	N
Bruce Cattanach	MBC	Instructor Trainer	N
Dave Long	BBYC	Webmaster, Rep	N
Kathy Kulkowski	SHBCC	Rep	N
George Drawbaugh	LHYC	PC, Rep.	N
David Watts	NSIBYC	Rep	N
Nancy Chambers	SBYC	Rep	Y
Dan Speranzo	RCYC	Rep	N
Loretta Speranzo	RCYC	Rep-Alt.	N
Leighton Waters	SSYC	SSYC Commodore	N
Tom Boyer	BBYC	Rep.	N
Don Chambers	SBYC	P. C., Rep.	N
Doug Milnes	SSYC	SSYC Fleet Capt.	Y



Richard Twitchell	Rutgers	Guest	N
Kelly Robinson	RYC	Rep. Guest	N