

## SUS Minutes

Meeting Date: September 10, 2020

via zoom

Attending: Terry, John, Peter, Ida, Aija, Leisa, Ronnie, Karen, Janet    Guest: Sherry Andersen

Timekeeper: Karen

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### I **Called to Order** 7:01 pm

Action Item Review: Terry, John and Leisa are now signers on the SUS account.

Note to appear in Masthead reminding Skippers to fly the SUS burgee

Email to go out about Nominating committee and open positions

John to follow-up with Camille about programs

**II August Minutes** approved with one correction; 39, not 34 people responded to the BBQ at the lake.

**III Treasurer report:** Leisa reports the current SUS balance is \$27,870.76. Peter brought up spending for Skippers. Leisa will review \$200 spent on Skipper incentives.

**IV Commodores Report** - Regarding burgees, SUS has always charged for these in the past. It was agreed that SUS boats should fly the burgee when on water. It was also agreed that new Skipper Cindy, and any new Skipper, should receive a burgee. Boats that attend on-water events will be encouraged to fly the burgee. Peter to determine if any Skippers need one.

Labor Day weekend was a well-attended event. 6 boats attended and about 20 came to the park. Good time was had by all.

Peter moved, Ronnie seconded- that a free burgee will be given to Skippers (who don't have one) who attend on-water events. All agreed

**Vice Commodore** Janet reports there have been several successful on-water events. Not too many twilight sails this summer. Generally, members have reached out to Skippers to sail. John has worked well to recruit new members. Janet suggested that a new question be added to the SUS application about one's ability to board a boat from a dingy.

**V Members Communications:** Cindy suggested that SUS do something' "slightly educational" as well as social.

### VI Director Reports

- **Membership** - John reports membership is at 67 members with 2 new members this month. Jim Booth will come on as a member, not Skipper, as he is not ready to take members out yet.
- **Newsletter** - Ida reminded us that the deadline is the 25<sup>th</sup> for articles for the Masthead. There was discussion about making the Masthead interactive. Comments included; who would manage it, who responds; what kind of filters would be appropriate; must be kept positive, informative; censorship issues. The topic was tabled for now to be re-visited later.
- **Programs** - This position needs to be filled. Oct & Nov need speakers. Camille has some names and John will follow-up. Peter will organize a Nov speaker, perhaps something educational by a Skipper. Terry knows someone at Mystic that may be a candidate.

- **Public Relations** - Ronnie suggests that non-members have 1 free Meet-up but if they attend multiple Meet-ups, there should be a charge. She also suggested that there be a “Greeter” at events including virtual gatherings.
- **Special Events** – Aija submitted her resignation by letter effective December 2020. She is still working on an End of Season party. There may not be a Holiday party and there will not be a joint gathering with Greenwich club due to Covid-19. Aija will pass on all her work to her successor. Everyone applauded Aija’s hard work and incredible party planning skills!

**VII Committee Reports:** Nominating Chair, John, set up a spreadsheet with the current status of positions needed to be filled. Positions open: Treasurer, Special Events, Programs, Membership. President may be open but John could be open to this.

**VII New Business** – Regarding red masks (\$8) This is not going forward.

Ronnie brought up the dues structure for discussion; a. If 2020 dues were paid in full, should dues be reduced by half next year; good incentive.

If you paid full dues in 2020, members will pay half dues in 2021. If you did not renew last year, full dues will be owed in 2021. Ronnie moved, Ida seconded, all agreed.

Crew worthiness- must discuss safety and crew ability to board a boat. New members must complete MOC before sailing with the club. By-laws were reviewed and confirmed MOC is required.

Adjourned 8:47 pm

Minutes submitted by Karen Ferris Secretary

**Note:**

Special Vote Results on 9/30/20 regarding having an End of Season Party : 1 No; 6 Yes; 3 Abstained