

Singles Under Sail

Minutes of the Board

October 14, 2021

Ponus Yacht Club

Attending: Terry, Peter, Janet, Karen, Marie, Leisa, Ida, Ronnie    Guests: Bob, Tommy , Rick

**I Called to order 7:05pm** Terry discussed guidelines for board etiquette and noted that respectful discussion results in better outcomes, speaking in turn keeps order to the meeting, and that decisions are collaborative, not unilateral.

**II Meeting Minutes** Karen Minutes with revisions from Ronnie, were accepted. Leisa moved, Janet seconded. Minutes accepted.

**III Treasurer Report** Leisa reports \$6000 in income; to date SUS is \$1835 in the black. Checkbook balance \$28,639.22. Leisa provided a detailed accounting of the clubs' finances in writing to each board member. Ida moved, Peter seconded, Treasurers Report accepted.

**IV Commodores Report** Peter reports a successful year of sailing and that after a difficult year with the pandemic limiting sailing, many members were able to get on boats this season. The next Skippers' meeting is planned and the 2022 season will be discussed.

**Vice Commodore** Janet there was an on-going discussion about how members can get on boats and the channels to accomplish that. Communicating with Janet as coordinator is a good method and some members reach out to skippers directly. Janet suggested that SUS re-instate the incentive program for skippers who take out the most crew.

**V Member Communication** Nothing to report

#### **Director Reports**

**Membership** Marie reports that the new Application Form and Membership Agreement will go out in January. To date the club has 96 members of which 19 have not signed forms. A consultant has been assisting with a new computer process and is implementing a streamlined, simplified form and database.

**Newsletter** Ida reports that the newsletter was sent, and that Ronnie (as usual) was very helpful. A reminder to all to send pictures and articles and anything that may be of interest to members.

**Programs** – Ronnie spoke with Gary and the previously scheduled speaker is no longer available. There is no program planned at this time. There was a discussion about the need to find venues for program/speakers. Fees vary from \$150 to \$300 for a room. Generally, it was decided to have 4 speakers per year. Budgeting: \$1500 will come from the Charlie Raymond Fund with a total of \$3500 budgeted for education.

**Publicity** Ronnie the Sunday End-of-Season party at Cedar Point is on. Ronnie also reports that Cedar Point is doubling its fees for the pavilion rental from \$500 to \$1000 for 50 people. She is negotiating for a lower price.

The Thursday social is on (Marie) and will be at the Crabshell in Stamford.

**Nominating Committee** All slots are filled, and the slate will be presented at the Nov. board meeting.

**New Business** – There was discussion about how and where to handle board meetings going forward. The best is to hold meetings in person at City Hall. Those who cannot attend in person will be set up on zoom.

**Job Descriptions** - Job descriptions need to be reduced & edited further. **ACTION!** Ida volunteered to take all job descriptions and revise them into shorter versions for review again by the board.

There was a discussion about combining the Meet the Shippers – start of season party with the Annual Meeting. It was decided that combining the two would not work in part because many non-members or new members attend this gathering.

Meeting adjourned 8:31pm. Janet moved, Leisa seconded, meeting adjourned.

Minutes submitted by Karen Ferris, Secretary