

SUS Board Meeting November 9th, 2023, at 7:00 pm Ida's Home or
ZOOM

Members Attending: Peter, Ida, Ronnie, Julie, Marie, Kathy, Janet
Call to Order 7:05pm

Review October '23 Minutes. Ida motioned to approve Oct '23 Minutes, all approved

Nominating Committee & Election of Nominees – Ida presented slate of nominees

President: Aija Klebers

Vice-President: Andy Kunz

Secretary: Lynne Krasnauskas

Special Social Events: Annie Itin

Membership: Marie Taney (returning)

Vice Commodore (not voted on here) Bill Draper

Ida went through the nominees to recommend each person and there was a discussion of the new nominees . Peter questioned why there is not a program coordinator. It is an open position and the nominating committee did not propose a candidate at this time as the next couple of programs are set..

Ida moved that we accept the Slate of Nominees. Accepted by Secretary.

REPORTS

Treasurer's Report – Julie

Julie did not get financials from the Bookkeeper , due to travel conflicts.

. Bookkeeper costs club \$50/hr. Julie recommends switching to a quarterly report, rather than monthly. All in favor as (quarterly or as needed) approved.

Julie sent report on End of Season Party. Party cost under \$1000 (venue/music). Net was \$12. In fees received n excess of the food/drink expenses.

Commodores Report – Peter

Fall sailing season was mostly a washout, with eight weekends of rain. Some day sails. Vanderbilt Cup race was rained out.

Vice Commodore's Report – Janet

Vanderbilt Cup party was attended. It was the last Club sailing event.

Membership – Marie

Event at Sedona, there were 20 members, smallest turnout we've had. The Flier at \$15 guest fee implies food would be served. We should not charge unless food is provided. At the December event some food should be provided.

Special Events – Ronnie

48 people attended the End of Season Party. Discussion about some people who couldn't pay online. \$75 of food budget went to purchase new cloth table clothes and 350 paper plates. Very successful party and everyone was impressed with the food.

Newsletter – Ida

Newsletter went out, contributors included Karen Ferris & Gary Silberberg. Peter wanted to know if anyone had a copy of the article he wrote for Windcheck & Sail magazine in 2003, it was lost.

Program meetings

Next program meeting on November 16th Windshipped, at Hampton Inn. They will provide coffee and tea for \$30. Ronnie will get cookies to serve.

The coffee costs \$30 and Ronnie brought and put out cookies that cost \$30. So the total was \$60

Julie Ronnie separately for \$26.48 and \$60 to Ida to reimburse what the hotel charged.

The Delamar has a room and they are not charging for it. Discussion of being very expensive for food and drinks. Hampton Inn is preferred.

Linda Sennet would be the next program meeting in the spring and Len Lipton has someone else for a program meeting. The plan is to have two program meetings in the spring and two in the fall. If people come up with more we can figure it out.

Ida later added that in the past the President introduced the meeting and Membership introduced new members.

Missing microphone & speaker. Ida will put out a memo to all members to try and locate them before we spend money on new ones. Ida researched and said it would cost about \$300 to replace them, but not for recording quality.

Meetups

Discussion of Public Relations and Meetups. Ronnie was initially responsible for both. But now is working with Ida on the flyers. Cindy was recruited to be the organizer on the Meetup site; however, the Board voted NOT to have further public Meetup events. Only regular Program meetings and the annual Meet-Skippers event will be posted on Meetup.com. For Special events and Parties, members may bring a guest (date) if the Board decides but the event itself will not be advertised.

The board agrees unanimously that everyone in SUS is invited to every SUS event. The board should know who is on a subcommittee. If someone delegates another person to work under them, they have an obligation to inform the board.

Protocol for Addressing Issues between Board Meetings

Marie suggests that if it is a simple answer email its fine, but if a discussion is needed it should wait until the next board meeting. Substantive issues should not be discussed between board members between board meetings.

Discussion of a program coordinator tabled until new President and Vice President positions begin in January.

Unfinished Business

New Business – Janet suggested having a walk event. We could pick three for the winter months and put out a notice to all the members. Discussion of where to plan for a walk. Peter will try to organize a walk at the Rockefeller property, possible with lunch after.

Peter proposes a dinner in January with ingoing and outgoing members of the board. He will look for a location in Stamford on the water with a budget of \$50 per person without drinks. Peter made a proposal to approve \$600 for either a lunch or dinner. All approved.

Meeting adjourned approximately 8:38pm