



Western Michigan Yachting Association Annual meeting minutes

Aug 1, 2017, Crystal Lake Yacht Club

Call to order – 7:06pm

WMYA board Roll Call: Josh Wallace, Don Nelson, Eric Wynsema, Beth Windemuller, Brett Hatton, Pete Price, Jack Rillema, Midge Verplank, Tom Munroe, Mike Terry – absent Dan Lorimer

Delegates roll call:

WLYC – Chris Lopez – absent Cam McNeil, Brent Bower, Phoebe Whitbeck (jr)

MYC – Keek Wickland – absent Larry Larsen

GRYC – Jeff Towner, Ben Finkelstein (jr) – absent Jamie Kimball

SLYC – Adrienne Hubbard, Beth Windemuller, Scott Harestad, Charlie Parker (jr)

CLYC – Randi Terry, Rob Terry, Allison Price, Seamus Pugh (jr)

TLYC – Reed Lorimer, Ben Keller (jr), Absent Ted Keller

RE: Annual Meeting minutes from Aug 9, 2016 – motion to not review at this meeting. Motion made by Josh Wallace, Second by Don Nelson – all in favor.

Treasurers Report by Brett Hatton – Brett reported that revenue is slightly down from last year – over all regatta income down. Insurance and IRS no changes. Approximately \$23,000 balance in the WMYA account, which is stable. No questions were asked – motion was made by Adrienne Hubbard, and seconded by Josh Wallace. Motion was approved.

New Business:

- 1) New 7 race format – WMYA implemented the new back- to- back racing for all fleets this year at CLYC. WYMA board will be looking for feedback from regatta participants. Tom Munroe and Jack Rillema will be heading up a communication committee going forward, including a Survey Monkey survey. The WMYA Board is asking delegates from each club to send feed back to your WYMA representative as well. Included in the new 7 race format was the discussion of a 3- day versus a 4-day regatta– but that idea was tabled by the board for discussion at a future meeting. The **intention** for shorter regatta is to **attract more participation**.

- 2) An increase in regatta fee discussion was introduced by Tom Munroe. Scott Harestad agreed that regatta fees are low in comparison to other regattas that he has attended. Josh Wallace and Jack Rillema agreed that this should be discussed at the upcoming fall meeting, and not wait until the following season.

WYMA 2017 regatta report – by Mike Terry: Mike reported that there are 150 boats total this year which is better than last year. Weather report for the week is okay. Social tickets are still available. Commodore Ball in almost sold out.

Upcoming Dates for WMYA:

WMYA 89th Championship Regatta – Muskegon Yacht Club Aug 1-4th 2018 – Commodore Josh Wallace.

WMYA 90th Championship Regatta – White Lake Yacht Club date TBA.

Fall Directors Meeting will be held on Saturday Oct 21, 2017.

The next WMYA annual meeting date will be held on Tuesday July 31, 2018 at MYC.

The following 2018-2019 WMYA SLATE was reviewed:

Commodore – Josh Wallace / MYC

Vice Commodore – Don Nelson / WLYC

Rear Commodore – Eric Wynsema / GRYC

Past Commodore – Mike Terry / CLYC

Secretary – Dan Lorimer / TLYCC

Treasurer – Beth Windemuller / SLYC

At Large – Pete Price, Jack Rillema, Tom Monroe

Ex Officio – Midge VerPlank

Race Officer – Steve Schiller

Executive Secretary – Brett Hatton

Motion made to approve the slate made by Josh Wallace and seconded by Don Nelson. Motion passed.

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 19:23 made by Josh Wallace and seconded by Adrienne Hubbard.

Motion passed.

Submitted by Beth Windemuller