

Manitoba Sailing Association
Minutes of a Meeting of the Board of Directors
10 April 2006

Meeting called to order: 18:35

Present: K. Stewart, B. Smutny, E. Phillips, C. Aldridge, G. Hebert, C. Durston, M. Krauss, B. Parke, A. Fast, P. McMorris, C. Baker

1. The minutes of the previous meeting on January 9, 2006 were approved after correction of several typo errors: (A. Fast, E. Phillips) Carried.

2. Matters Arising

The problem of membership in CYA and what fees need to be collected is under review. CYA is concerned that there is an apparent discrepancy between the number of reported members in some clubs and the number of members they have registered. This item had been discussed at the January meeting with the result that Michael Cox was to prepare a statement defining membership requirements, which would be forwarded to the Yacht Clubs.

In relation to the credit card policy, it was mentioned that Costco has a credit card program for their commercial customers that only carries a 1.6% service fee. Brigitte agreed to check into this.

3. The minutes of the Executive meeting on February 22, 2006 were reviewed and approved with the exclusion of the motion to approve the credit card policy, which was struck from the minutes. (E. Phillips, P. McMorris) Carried.

4. Correspondence

a) Correspondence from Sport Manitoba advising that 3 sailing athletes have been nominated for Junior Team and Youth Athlete of the Year awards. The awards ceremony is scheduled for Tuesday, April 11th.

b) Correspondence from Sport Manitoba indicating that directed funding for sailing athletes will be greater this year. Brigitte advised that the Bingo allocation will also be better than it has been for a couple of years.

5. President's Comments

Proposal to prepare a brochure or handbook to outline benefits of membership in CYA/MSA for member Yacht Clubs. A similar brochure from the Ontario Sailing Association was circulated as information. Kevin Stewart asked to find a volunteer for this task.

The CYA will not hire a Youth Coaching person this year, instead a second high performance coach will be hired and they will take turns with the Youth Coaching Program.

CYA membership cards will be required for participation in CYA sanctioned events and must be presented at the venue.

CYA is experiencing financial difficulties this year and therefore will not cover expenses for local officials to attend CYA meetings or events

Sailing will potentially be included as a demonstration sport for the 2014 Commonwealth Games in Halifax

The CYA has undertaken to form an association with the Canadian Power Squadron to collaborate on issues where we share common interests; ie training.

In 2007 the CYA will not cover expenses of CYA Officials for locally hosted events such as Youth Nationals. These expenses will need to be covered by the local host organizations.

New computers are required for the office. Members were asked to canvas for any potential corporate donors willing to provide two or three machines.

The performance review and salary adjustment for the Executive Director has been completed.

6. Treasurer's Report: E. Philips

The new format of the report was reviewed with explanations by E. Phillips and K. Stewart. Motion to approve the report; (E. Phillips, A. Fast)

Discussion followed under the new format of the report. K. Stewart and B. Smutny will prepare a set of budget notes to be attached to the report in future. Motion passed.

The cash policy was reviewed. Motion to approve the policy (C. Durston, C. Aldridge)
Motion passed.

7. Executive Director's Report

The deadline for next issue of Porthole is approaching. Brigitte has lots of material but needs more advertisements.

MSA entered the Boat Show in conjunction with other Sport Manitoba water sports. The result was successful but more support is required from the sailing area. The response from the public was good.

8. Operations Report: No Report

9. Racing Report: C. Aldridge

The Laser Canadians will be held at Gimli in July 2006 and volunteers are required. In excess of 50 boats are expected to compete, but budget is based on 50 boats. Sponsors are also required.

10. Recreation Report: Wolfe Smythe absent

Brigitte reported that 16 students are registered for the Basic Learn to Cruise course.

11. Team Report: B. Parke

Three teams competed in 420's at the Midwinter's in Florida and performed ok but were unable to qualify for the Youth Worlds.

On May 10 to May 12 there will be a high performance clinic for 29ers in Montreal. Four teams will be attending.

The Team Operating Policy was reviewed with some minor wording changes implemented. Motion to approve (B. Parke, P. McMorris) Motion carried

12. Parent Report: P. McMorris

Work on a parent's information package is in progress. This package is to be sent to parents along with the invoices.

Parent Code of Conduct was reviewed. Motion to approve by (P. McMorris, C. Aldridge) Motion carried.

13 Commodores' Reports

- a) Silver Harbour, C. Durston – nothing new to report
- b) Northern Harbour – no report

- c) RLWYC, A. Fast – LOWISA will stage a youth dinghy regatta one day before the start of the keelboat regatta at RLWYC this year
- d) Fort Whyte, M. Krauss – the sailing programs are now shown on their website.
Lake level control equipment has been installed. The ramps need to be repaired.
- e) Victoria Beach YC, C. Aldridge – a summer calendar is being produced
- f) Zig Zag YC, B. Parke – An article about sailing 29ers was featured in the local paper
- g) Gull Harbour YC, G. Hebert – Annual meeting scheduled for April 22nd. Expect the same or possibly one additional boat next year. There will be a new Commodore after the meeting.
- h) DSM – L. Mazur absent but Brigitte mentioned that DSM had approached the MSA for some money to support the dock and shed repairs, this was denied but non-monetary assistance was offered. K. Stewart to contact Lawrence re support for Handy-Transit service to Fort Whyte.

14 Approval of Policies

- a) Team Bingo Policy, motion to approve (B. Parke, C. Aldridge), carried.
- b) Club Bingo Policy, motion to approve (C. Baker, C. Aldridge), carried with following amendments; article 1: remove words “by May of current year”, article 9: add words “sailing related”. Discussion ensued about what financial statements are required to account for use of Bingo funds. The office will issue a document clarifying the reporting requirements to ensure that member clubs are in compliance.
- c) Team Code of conduct, motion to approve (E. Phillips, B. Parke) carried.

15. New business.

No new business.

16. The next meeting will be May 8th. (Location to be determined).

The meeting was adjourned at 20:50.