

**Manitoba Sailing Association
Executive Meeting
Monday, October 2, 2006
6:30 pm Sports Manitoba Board Room**

Present: Kevin Stewart, Chris Aldridge, Maureen Krauss, Barb Park, Brigitte Smutny
Regrets: Wolfe Smythe, Earl Philips, Michael Cox

1. Minutes of the February 22, 2006 Executive Meeting

Motion to approve: Chris Aldridge Seconded Maureen Krauss

2. PSO Sport Plan and Directed Funding Report

Brigitte shared that she had a very good progress meeting with Sport Manitoba Sport Consultant to MSA, Chris Albo. She was very pleased with Brigitte's written summary highlighting developments in areas of participation, special initiatives, and high performance (distributed to Executive). MSA's good governance, organization, and reporting keep us in good standing with Sport Manitoba. The annual PSO Sport Plan is due February 1, 2007. It is a short 3-page report that must be submitted along with demographics and financial statements/budget for the coming year.

3. Audited Statements.

The Audited Statement for 2005 was circulated. MSA is reporting a very small loss (\$300) for the year. This is excellent recovery from our previous year's position. Brigitte was thanked for her good work in keeping close attention on the finances.

Depreciation - The Europes no longer have any value on the books and will be de-commissioned from the MSA inventory. Brigitte will place an ad in the Lake of the Woods Cottage Owners Association for sale \$499 each. Any money from the sale of these boats should go into the recovery and possible purchase from the insurance company of the 420 from the accident/fire claim. Brigitte will view the hull in the insurance compound and assess what amount it will take to repair and replace parts. Aim to build the number of 420s for the adult teaching mobile fleet. The JY15's at Fort Whyte will also be off the books soon – they are 15 years old and showing tremendous wear – only 3 functioning out of 5.

4. Manitoba Summer Games 2008

Brigitte has had several meetings with the organizers of the Manitoba Summer Games as well as a site visit to the lake at Stephenfield Provincial Park (close to Carman, MB). This will be the first year that sailing has had representation at the games. Brigitte determined that the site will work very well for sailing. Brigitte suggests that a total of 14 prams be used for the games. She will strive to develop representation from all regions – Central, Eastman, Parkland, Norman, Westman, Interlake and Winnipeg. Regional Managers for each will need to be sourced – these could be anyone from the Instructors of the Learn to Sail in these areas or Club Coaches/Commodores/Parent Coaches. In Summer 2007, each region will host a pre-event qualifier race(s) most likely stemming from the Learn to Sail programs. The goal will be to have 2 teams (one male, one female) age 15 years and under representing each region at the games.

5. Membership Fee Review

This year again saw a large discrepancy in the way various clubs collect and remit MSA and CYA dues on behalf of their members and Learn to Sail participants. Each club appears to be doing something different. There is a pressing need for a Membership Policy. Brigitte will research from other provincial associations on membership policies. Maureen and Barb agreed to collect and prepare this information as well as provide a number of membership fee scenarios for the next Executive Board meeting.

6. Safeway Fundraiser

This fundraiser was a huge success. Everyone needs to purchase groceries! It raised in excess of \$5,000. Plan to repeat in 2007. Need more volunteer help to organize this project.

7. Old Smokey Zodiac

Brigitte has raised pledges in the amount of \$10,000 to put toward the purchase of a new zodiac (hulls, tubes, motor – retain console and put into new unit). Will place add in Lake of the Woods Cottage Owners Association newsletter to sell Old Smokey as is. Also advertise the existing motor separately and replace with a new different shaft motor from Bruce Marine. This will exceed the \$10,000. Brigitte will report more on uptake from ads and new pricing.

8. ED/Head Coach Performance Review

The President, VP Teams, and VP Operations will get underway before budget preparation time.

9) Other Business

Correspondence from LOWISA. Letter of intent to become a club member.

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Correspondence from Order of Canada. Support for Ian Bruce. Brigitte will discuss with Peter Loewen.

Kevin remarked on the discussion/movement at the CYA level to restructure (downsize) their Board. Smaller group size more nimble – better governance? Is there a need to look at this for MSA? Move to have 5 meetings a year with agendas better designed for Club participation.

Remaining 5 meetings could be a smaller group – Executive based – dealing with governance, high performance, etc.

Meeting adjourned 9:30 p.m.

Next Executive Meeting: December 4, 2006