

GLAA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Saturday, February 6, 2016

Location: National Yacht Club.

Present: Cathie Coultis

Gord Martin

Phil Birkenheier

Richard and Margaret Mair

Marc Decorte

Jeff Willis

Regrets: Rob Feeney, Don Campbell.

The meeting was called to order at 1200 by Commodore Cathie. She welcomed the new executive members; Marc, Richard and Margaret.

Moved by Marc to accept the minutes of the last meeting as sent by email. Seconded by Jeff. Carried.

Commodore: Cathie reported that the AGM was attended by 29 people representing 15 Albergs. Membership duties will be shared by Cathie and Phil, with some help from Larry, if he is available.

Secretary: Gord completed the minutes of the last executive meeting and the AGM. Cathie questioned if we could make other uses of the GLAA post card. The mailing last year to all Ontario clubs and marinas brought no results, so it seems the post card is best used with a personal invitation when we meet Alberg owners. We discussed that sending the membership list to Ontario Sailor Magazine because of their free ad offer is not secure. The procedure will be changed so that ON Sailor contacts us to confirm if a member is legitimate. There was discussion of preparing a colour flyer for promotion.

Treasurer: Phil advised that we have a bank balance of \$2007. We have 25 renewals so far, and expect about 45. He expects to finish the year with approximately \$2000. bank balance.

Membership: After some mostly negative discussion about the electronic roster idea, Cathie and Phil plan to publish a paper roster, and the deadline for inclusion will be February 29/16.

Racing: Marc reports that the Syronelle will be at NYC, June 24-25. The Kents may be away, so the Friday night party plans are undecided. The Great Lakes Championship will be at NYC, August 27. The Rankin Regatta will be on September 17-18.

Website administration: Rob reported to Cathie that we had 581 hits, by 62 visitors, year to date. The 2015 totals were 2396 hits, 631 visitors. Rob has set up PayPal, and it is in use. He has also updated the calendar, and membership application form.

Newsletter: Jeff advised that the deadline for the spring newsletter will be end of February. He is looking for more submissions.

Moved by Gord to accept the directors' reports. Seconded by Phil. Carried.

New business: Budget review; Phil handed out budgets to each executive member and asked for agreement. Gord transferred his postage budget to Cathie for the AGM mailing.

Cathie hopes to organize a seminar at Wigger's in 2016.

Cathie will be sending out new member packages, and, as we had done in the past, will send each member 2 copies of the roster. We discussed the idea of encouraging more crew to join as associates, by offering a better price.

Moved by Gord, that we set a rate of \$30. for crew, associate and advertising members. Seconded by Marc. Carried. The membership form will need modification, and we may need to offer refunds.

After discussion; we were all in agreement to cancel the 'Cockpit Forum'.

Phil will be following up with advertising partners, and Cathie will look after GOB, ON Sailor, and GAM.

Next executive is meeting tentatively set for May 28th, at Bobby C's in Darlington.

Jeff moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Gord.

Gord Martin

Secretary