

Lakeshore Yacht Club Minutes of Directors Meeting

February 07, 2011

Attending:

Gerald Roloson, Commodore	Sheldon Street, Fleet Captain
Carrie Chassels, Vice Commodore	Tony Rumball, Communications Director
Peter LaFlair, Treasurer	Don Reid, Harbourmaster
Tony Edmonds, Environment Director	Jim Lewis, Property Director
Jim Malcolm, Membership Director	Bev Wiltshire, Secretary

Regrets:

Frank Vanzon, Rear Commodore
Alice Wong, Social Director

Guest Speakers:

Jim Carr, on community relationship opportunities

The meeting was called to order at 1910h.

Amendments to the minutes of the January 03 2011 Directors meeting were discussed:

- members with more than one debenture do not get any additional votes
- the board may vary the timeline for winter live-aboard applications to accommodate exceptional circumstances

MOTION: by Peter LaFlair, to accept the minutes of the January 03 2011 Directors meeting with amendments as discussed: carried

The next Directors Meeting will be held Monday March 14 2011.

Community Relationship Opportunities

Jim Carr proposed a number of opportunities that would serve to strengthen LSYC's position as a responsible and caring partner in the community, requesting that:

- the club sponsors local Scouting activities by allowing up to three trailer-able boats to bear the club banner as they are being towed as floats in the 2011 Lakeshore Santa Claus Parade; members with vehicles and tow-able boats would be encouraged to provide them, and the scouting groups (Beavers, Cubs and Scouts) would develop a theme and supply the decorations for the parade
- scouting groups would be encouraged to help with environmental activities around the club and in return the club would offer hospitality within club property (restrooms, water, ice)
- the club considers taking a higher profile role in promoting stewardship, environmental awareness and clean up of the park, especially adjacent to the club property; Jim Carr offered to continue as coordinator and promoter of these community projects through ongoing work and personal activities
- the club considers becoming a back-up sponsor for the Safe Cycling Routes to School Pilot Project grant application
- Toronto Parks and Recreation have offered to put together an activity program for our club youth, ages 13-18, at Ken Cox Community Centre, as part of their Friday night drop-in event (Parks & Rec contact is Karen Harris); the club advertises and promotes this healthy and attractive activity to our members, especially those with teenagers
- the club sponsors and endorses Mylene Paquette, a world-class environmental athlete, scheduled to row solo across the North Atlantic this summer; her effort goes to raising environmental awareness of our lakes and oceans and using modern communications technology to stay in touch with the world during her odyssey; the club might consider making her an honorary member and LSYC would become her home club

The club will continue its commitment to support community groups, including Scouts, and to accommodate them whenever feasible. As for these particular items, the board agreed to investigate any club liability for boats in the Santa Claus Parade and to grant Mylene Paquette all reciprocal privileges should the need arise.

Correspondence

Several letters were received:

- from a member wishing to sell his boat and not launch this spring; will be charged 2.25/sq.ft + \$550 if the boat remains on the hard at the club
- from a member who will be away on an extended cruise (the member may become inactive while retaining the debenture)
- from Frank Vanzon, resigning as Rear Commodore (Secretary to draft a response expressing the board's regrets)

Directors' Reports

Harbourmaster:

- presented boat change requests from current members D. Hyslop and S. Neilson; the board agreed to accept both

Property:

- discussed summer staff scheduling: one more week with Homestead then start with previous hire Dave and new hire Sophie; both in on Tuesdays for now
- previous hire Taryn has agreed to come back in the summer
- budget for staff may need to be adjusted

Fleet Captain:

- asked for confirmation that 15 minutes for the Junior Club presentation is on the agenda for the February general meeting; this won't include any budgetary requests, only asking for membership support

Communications:

- should discuss with Dean the possibility of giving members access to their own information on the website, for updating contact information, etc.

Membership:

- new members who are short of hours last year will have the shortfall added to this year's quota
- had a suggestion that the club host a BBQ for new members, perhaps in May, to also be attended by current members who are closely involved with the various work parties, particularly launch, haul-out and mast stepping/unstepping, the goal being to stimulate participation in these activities; somewhat relates to another member's suggestion of a mentoring program for new members
- some discussion on updating the wet membership application to cite the By-Laws related to cradles, trailers and stands

Treasurer:

- auditors have accepted the financial statements
- presented the proposed budget; the operating budget, based on no changes to fees, shows a surplus; membership will be asked at the February meeting to accept the auditor's report, the operating budget, the dock expansion project, and items related to the club's 20th Anniversary (see Vice-Commodore's Report)

Vice-Commodore:

- presented room booking requests
- **MOTION:** Carrie Chassels, to accept room booking requests for Darts Tournament (Feb 13), Wicharyk (Feb 20), Kay (Feb 26), LaFlair (Apr 02), Penn (Apr 03), Red Hats (May 10), Humphreys (Dec 10), Paton (Sept 03); motion amended to deny the request for Sept 03, as it is a long weekend: carried
- presented the 20th Anniversary Committee's suggestions for Sailpast celebrations
- on Friday June 10 for \$5.00 per person and \$500 from the club, a gentleman from Wiarton will prepare fresh fish from Georgian Bay for the Super Friday BBQ
- as for Saturday, chief among the Committee's concerns is that the pot-luck tradition involves a fair amount of labour to coordinate and to cleanup afterwards and these tasks are taken on by the same members year after year, preventing them from fully enjoying the day; one of the Committee's recommendations is to have a catered lunch, with a limit of 140 people at \$35 per person; the board felt that imposing limits on the number of attendees at such

an event would be poorly received by the membership, since a lot of members invite family and friends; another option is to continue the pot-luck tradition and to hire staff for serving and cleanup; a third option involves a meal at end of the day; the board agreed that the club could absorb up to 60% of the cost of a catered meal, so \$20 per person (\$10 for children) would seem reasonable (but also implies the club is subsidising non-members' meals)

- the Vice-Commodore will confer the board's comments to the Committee

Commodore:

- reported a few items on behalf of the Social Director: freezer in social room was discovered unplugged, might need a locking outlet; some discussion on dealing with freezing pipes (suggestions include moving them, spraying them with insulation); the compression for the bar fridge is extremely noisy when first plugged in (it takes a while for the oil to recirculate); a chafing tray is missing
- received a request from a member asking for relief from having to pay fees all at once; the board agreed
- estimated cost for dock expansion at \$78000; have several quotes for anchors and hopefully the existing chain can be reused; expansion would allow 36' boats to go on the inside; possibly extending the Humber dock could benefit the proposed Junior Club
- if the expansion goes ahead, the extensions and two main dock sections could go in the water at launch and anchors and chain can be installed during the summer
- dock expansion would prohibit winter live-aboards for the 2011/2012 season

MOTION: Jim Lewis, to adjourn; carried

The meeting was adjourned at 2200h.

Commodore

Secretary