

FANSHAWE YACHT CLUB
FYC General Meeting
HMCS Prevost Wardroom - Thursday, February 18, 2010

Commodore Brian Hurst opened the meeting at 7:06 p.m, with 24 members and guests present.

Minutes of January 21, 2010 Annual General Meeting

Jack Blocker reported that two corrections had already been made to the pre-circulated minutes, both in the Membership Report: the total membership for 2009 was 103, and the number of Sailing School instructors was 7. Ralph Smith noted the absence of a Treasurer's report at the Annual General Meeting. The executive apologised for its absence and promised to submit a report of the Club's financial situation at the March 18th General Meeting. Moved (John Bryant, John Burgess) to adopt the minutes as corrected. **Approved.**

Old Business

Doug MacKenzie asked for the rationale for changing the lock on the main gate. Commodore Brian Hurst explained that too many unauthorized persons have been gaining access.

Ralph Smith questioned how long the Club would maintain the Sailing School when it loses money. The answer was that one losing season was not reason enough to discontinue the Sailing School, but that the Club will continue to maintain close oversight of its operations.

Jeff Eames suggested reducing the membership fees of members by 50 percent for each new member they bring in. His suggestion will be taken under consideration.

Preparations for Sailing Season

Vice Commodore Doug Carey reported that he plans to be more active in phoning members to encourage them to take part in work parties. He asked that any members with projects to suggest contact him. Jamie Pentland asked that those coming to work parties be better informed of their work assignments.

Brian Hurst reported that UTRCA will not raise the Club's rental for 2010 and that he had negotiated a one-year freeze on car and boat season permits so long as such permits are purchased through the Club.

Sailing School Report

Sailing School Director Peter Wilkins reported that he is engaged in hiring an instructor staff and responding to early enquiries. Mike Morris asked how last year's deficit would be converted into the budgeted surplus. Various members of the executive suggested that a reviving economy might boost student numbers. Doug MacKenzie pointed out that the condition of the school boats was deteriorating. Jeff Eames suggested setting up a system that would involve members in boat maintenance. Moved (Rick Goldt, Mike Morris) That the Club construct a history of net capital reserves from the time the Club purchased the Sailing School to the present. **Approved.** Doug MacKenzie volunteered to work with John Bryant to produce the report.

New Business

Brian Hurst suggested that members consider building their own Puddle Duck Racer.

Brian Perry objected to the previous Club decision (supported by a straw vote at the November 26th General Meeting) to allow the Sailing School to use one of the Club safety boats as a coach boat. Moved (Perry, Paul Chesman) That Club safety boats be used primarily as such, and that the damaged Sailing School coach boat be repaired. **Approved**, with Peter Wilkins recording abstention.

Meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Jack Blocker, Secretary