

**FANSHAWE YACHT CLUB**  
**General Meeting**  
**HMCS Prevost Wardroom - Thursday, March 22, 2012**

Commodore Roy Elworthy opened the meeting at 7:04 p.m, with 28 members and guests present.

**Minutes of February 16, 2012 General Meeting**

Jack Blocker moved, and Ralph Smith seconded, a motion to approve the minutes as distributed. **Approved.**

**Old Business**

- Audited financial statements for 2011. Treasurer John Bryant presented the audited financial statement for 2011, copies of which were distributed (on file). **Moved** (Brian Hurst, Mike Morris), To accept the audited financial statement for 2011. **Approved.** Ralph Smith noted that the one-time legacy donation by Josie Scarlett should be specified as extraordinary income.
- Initiation fees. **Moved** (Hans Schaffner, Blocker), The initiation fee shall be waived for all adult FYC Sailing School graduates, including former Crew Members, and for former Owner Members and former Sailing Members. It was understood that the motion was to take effect for the 2013 sailing season. After considerable discussion, the motion was **Approved.**
- Opt-out fees. **Moved** Paul (Chesman, Blocker), That the opt-out fee shall be dropped for 2013 and any opt-out fees paid in 2012 be refunded. **Approved.**
- Priority in allocating trailer parking spaces. **Moved** (Schaffner, Blocker), To give first priority in allocating trailer parking spaces to owners of boats at finger docks; to give second priority to owners of boats on moorings; and to give third priority to owners of boats previously stored in the UTRCA compound. After much discussion, the motion was **Defeated.** A new motion was presented by Rick Goldt, seconded by Brian Hurst: For 2013, to give first priority in allocating north-end empty boat trailer parking spaces to those having a north-end empty boat trailer parking space in 2012 and who renew by March 1; any open spaces will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis with membership registration before March 1, 2013. During the discussion, Jens Biskaborn, seconded by Mike Peters, moved an amendment, but Chair and Commodore Roy Elworthy ruled that the amendment was out of order, however, he allowed it to be presented as a separate motion. The main motion was **Approved.** **Moved**, (J. Biskaborn, Peters), That the fee for rental of north-end empty boat trailer parking spaces be set for 2013 at \$50. **Defeated.**

**Updates on preparations for the sailing season**

- Vice Commodore Hans Schaffner pointed out a need for workers with tools at the first Spring work party, April 14, to include a 4-person crew to remove siding from the old storage building and install new OBS siding; 2 workers to build a new walkway to the Sailing School dock; and at least 2 people with chain saws to clear debris from the ramps.

- Fleet Captain Nick Callender reported that Simon Baarbé will need four helpers to install carpet and tires on the Main Dock; carpeting supply is in process. Motors have been serviced and will be picked up at the beginning of April, and one will be attached to the barge during the first work party. New padlocks have been obtained for all motors using a common key. The barge and docks will probably not be launched at the first work party because of the need to clear debris from the ramps before launching. During the first work party Harbour Master Rob Perquin and his crew will prepare the mooring floats for installation.

### **Updated Sailing School report**

Sailing School Director Vera Eames was not present, but in an email reported that Peter Wilkins, Brian Hurst and herself interviewed several candidates for Sailing School staff. So far Kevin Biskaborn has accepted the Manager's position, Nikki Quinn that of Head Instructor, Nicole Dupuis that of Instructor for CANSail 1 and 2 Youth and some adult classes, and Eric Richert that of Learn to Race coach. Other positions are still being negotiated. She thanked Peter Wilkins for the use of his office on a weekend to carry out the interviews. She also reported that three used 420s have been purchased from the Sarnia Yacht Club for use in the CANSail 3 and 4 program, and thanked Brian Hurst for arranging the purchase and picking up the boats. The Sailing School has received some generous offers to host a boy from Quebec to join the Learn to Race program. Antoine Hince will be the fifth member of our team, joining Brooke Ellison-Wareing, Laura Ries, Thomas Johnstone, and Duncan McKillop. His billeting schedule is still being finalized (report on file). Mary Watson gave a brief report on the presentation on behalf of the Sailing School and Club at the London Sport and Recreation Show.

### **New Business**

Secretary Jack Blocker pointed out the problem occasioned in placing action items from an executive meeting on the agenda for a subsequent general meeting when the two meetings are scheduled too closely together to satisfy the 10-day constitutional notification requirement and asked if anyone would object to scheduling general meetings on the last Thursday of the month instead of on the second-to-last Thursday. No one objected.

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jack Blocker  
FYC Secretary