



Fanshawe Yacht Club and Sailing School Annual General Meeting Notice

Date: December 18, 2018 **Time:** 7-9 PM

Location: Fanshawe College
1001 Fanshawe College Blvd, London, ON N5Y 5R6
Room A1056

Presided by: Jeff Eames **Scribe:** Bonita Magill

Call to order: 7 p.m.

In Attendance: Chris Fogelman, John Kabel, Nik Callender, Paul Chesman, Bob Magill, Jeff Eames, Jillian Smith Vera Eames, Andy Turnbull, Mike Van Wiechen, Bill Scott, John Ellington, Jens Biskaborn, Jamie Pentland, Brenda Pentland, Jorge E. Herera, Victoria Parada. Lawrence Lynch, Kyle Smith, Steve Currie, Simon Baarbe, Peter Fuhry, Christine Long, Jacalyn Grabowski, Terry Reynard, Rick Goldt, Sue Goldt, Mike Morris, John Burgess, Jason Piovesan and Bonita Magill

Commodore/Chair Jeff Eames welcomed everyone.

- A procedural motion was put forward to the membership to allow this meeting to be the AGM for 2019: "Moved by John Kabel, seconded by Bonita Magill, that the General Meeting of Fanshawe Yacht Club of December, 2018, be designated the Annual General Meeting of the Club for 2019, and that the proper business of an Annual General Meeting be allowed to be carried out at this meeting." All present were in agreement and the motion was carried.

Jeff Eames turned the meeting over to John Kabel

Budgets For Fanshawe Yacht Club and Sailing School (*these documents were emailed to the membership prior to the AGM*)

- John walked the attendees through both the Fanshawe Yacht Club and the Sailing School Budgets item by item without making adjustments, as these had already been done during the Directors Meetings. Since everyone has a copy of the budgets that were presented and sent to them prior to the AGM. John answered questions as they arose about the various aspects of the budgets.
- John will check out the Checklick Expense Ratios given that there was an increase in the Sailing School Fees which is not noted in the budgets. This will be updated once we know.
- John motioned that The Fanshawe Yacht Club and the Sailing School Budgets be approved/ratified by the membership. Lawrence Lynch seconded the motion and all present were in agreement. Motion carried.

Directors Reports

Vice Commodore, Kyle Smith

- nothing to report at this time.

Rear Commodore, Lawrence Lynch

- Optis will become more involved
- We will be looking at more informal events
- Our sailing season was cut short this year, but hopefully we will have better water levels next year.
- We are looking into youth membership pathways

Fleet Captain, Rick Goldt

- Rick has prepared a report and it will be published in the newsletter.
- Rick Goldt and Bob Magill rented a Bobcat to shore up the Sailing School dock area with rocks to stave off further erosion. Also they were able to stem erosion of the main dock at the north end. The main dock will have a layer of asphalt applied to complete the project in the Spring. The weather was bitter cold during this work experience and they were fortified by Jeff Eames who provided hot chocolate and coffee.
- Rick and other members of FYC have formed a committee “Big Picture” to explore some ideas of how our club can move forward and thrive.

Youth Representative, Jillian Smith

- Nothing to report at this time.

Sailing School Director, Jason Piovesan

- Jason will be Director and Manager of the Sailing School this coming year, but will rely heavily the experiences of last year’s staff for guidance.
- Increase in registration this coming year should offset some of the deficits as evident in the budget
- We have posted for a supervisory position online to be available to students and staff during the day.
- We will be having a more comprehensive training process for our new staff and coaches.

Marketing Director, Nik Callender

- A good job was done with advertising at the festivals in Victoria Park and other venues
- Signage for the Open House
- Spectrum and newspaper advertising
- More volunteers are need to man some of the booths so that we can get the word out that we do indeed exist

Member Chair, Bob Magill

- Over the last couple of years our membership has been declining, however, Bob is contacting past members to encourage them to return to the club.
- Abilities In Motion is a new Corporate Member. These individuals are really enjoying the club on a daily basis.
- The Checklick program has been altered to make for a much easier registration process.
- We are no longer selling car and boat passes. This will be undertaken by UTRCA.
- The process for getting your pass is
 - Register your membership with Checklick
 - Bob Magill will give you a membership card
 - Take your membership card to the Front Kiosk
 - Present your card and old pass and preferred method of payment to the attendant
 - Your pass will be activated immediately.
 - For the London Dragon Boaters. They will receive one of their cards LDBC from Brenda Pentland and this card will have the FYC logo on it. Then they will present it and their old pass if they have one at the kiosk and then the process is the same as all other members.
 - John Kabel has volunteered to assist any members who are having difficulty with registration to please come to the Wednesday, Dinner Out and he will help you with your registration.

London Dragon Boat Representative: Jamie Pentland

- This year provided an excellent turn out for this club
- Members are hoping for a good season in 2019

New Business:

1. Electing of New Directors

Nomination Committee, Chris Fogelman introduced the Slate of Officers

2019 Board of Directors and Contributing Positions

Commodore:	Bonita Magill.....Signing Officer
Vice Commodore:	Kyle SmithSigning Officer
Rear Commodore:	Jacalyn GrabowskiSigning Officer
Treasurer:	John KabelSigning Officer
Fleet Captain:	Richard Goldt
Secretary:	Andrew Turnbull
Sailing School Director	Jason Piovesan
Nominating Chair:	Jeff Eames
Youth Representative:	Ethan Willoughby

Chris Fogelman made a motion to have the above individuals approved as Directors for Fanshawe Yacht Club. Jeff Eames seconded the motion. All members present were in agreement. Motion was carried.

Contributing Positions

Boat Master:	Jim Mackenzie
Club Steward:	Bob Magill
Communications Officer	Mark Cole
Harbour Master:	Rob Perquin
Harbour Master:	Marc Lacoursiere (not confirmed)
Marketing Director:	Nik Callender
Member Chair:	Bob Magill
Race Committee Chair:	John Kabel
Safety Officer:	Ralph Smith
Scuttlebutt Editor:	Suzanne Goldt
Website Coordinator:	Kevin Biskaborn

Other New Business

2. **Parking Marshal:** Rick Goldt states we are looking for a Parking Marshal, specifically for the South Parking. This individual would surely be guaranteed of a parking spot and this volunteer position would help with your mandatory support hours.

3. **Motion for Ratification:** Jeff Eames reads the motion to the assembled members.

A Youth Member is an individual who qualifies as a Member of Fanshawe Yacht Club (FYC) but is less than 25 years of age and attends school full time.

Moved by Jeff Eames, seconded by Chris Fogelman, that the Parents or Guardians of a Youth Member in good standing are encouraged to volunteer, support and provide advice on activities and Club functions, but will not be allowed to vote at any committee, subcommittee or Club General meeting.

The Parents/Guardian[s] are not allowed to bring their boat or equipment into the club to use unless accompanied at all times by the Youth Member.

Sailing School staff who meet the conditions of Youth Membership are Youth Members.

If a Youth Member wishes to convert their Youth Membership to any other category to enable their family to enjoy the full benefits of the club they may do so by paying the difference between the two categories.

NB: Family of sailing school students, and who are not club members, are not allowed to sit on any club committee at any time.

Motion passed. This item will be added to the FYC General Meeting Agenda for ratification by the membership.

Jeff Eames made a motion to adopted this Clarification of a Youth Member into the Constitution and Bylaws of Fanshawe Yacht Club. Motion seconded by John Kabel. All assembled were in agreement. Motion carried.

4. Stem to Stern: - Proposal from FYC member Dave Vine

An initiative to have children who are borderline students and in danger of dropping out of school build boats and then sail these boats at Fanshawe Lake.

Initially this proposal was going to be brought to the General Membership for discussion, but following an email from Dave Vine outlining what their program was hoping FYC could provide the Board of Directors decided to handle the request at a Board of Directors meeting on December 4, 2018.

All members present were in agreement that what this program was trying to accomplish was admirable, however, it was decided the actual building of the boats would not be allowed in the FYC Mackenzie Hall as requested in the proposal. Once the boats were built elsewhere the participants would be allowed to launch their boats at FYC with coaches/sailing instructors from the FYC Sailing School on board. (this would duplicate the experience STEM to STERN had at FYC this past summer.) The participants and the FYC and Sailing School would have the same protections with regard to safety and insurance as our Sailing School Class participants.

Madam Commodore, Bonita Magill addressed the assembly, provided an opportunity for questions and concerns.

Jens Biskaborn address the membership regarding - Informal Racing.

Apparently there was some resistance to change last year so this year Jens would like to see Wednesday afternoon and evening racing and also Thursday afternoon and evening racing, weather of course permitting. We will try this to see if we can get more participation.

Refreshments provided by Jeff and Vera Eames, Sue Goldt and Bonita and Bob Magill

Adjournment: 9 p.m.

Date of next meeting: FYC Round Table Brainstorming Workshop - January 29, 2019
Location TBA