

**North Flathead Yacht Club
Board Meeting Minutes
July 11, 2013
Club House 7:00 PM**

Officers Present: Commodore: Tim Rogge, **Rear Commodore:** Kirk Kalbfleisch, **Vice Commodore:** Brad Lane, **Past Commodore:** Ellen Ballerstein, **Secretary:** Anne Muir

Board Members Present: Phil Healey, Jack Muir, Mark Salisbury, Melanie Dardis, Toby Schule

NFYC Members Present: Bill Parsons

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm

Agenda approved: Anne Muir 1st, Ellen B. 2nd

Minutes approved: Kirk F 1st, Mean D 2nd

Membership Applications:

1. Bill Parsons attended the meeting as a sponsor for his brother Chris Parsons. Chris and Bill share a boat.

Kirk K made a motion to approve Chris Parsons application. Jack M 2nd. Motion approved.

2. Haley Graff has applied for membership to the club. Melanie D made a motion to approve membership. Phil H. 2nd Motion approved.

3. The club now has two new members.

4. The board had a discussion on the initiation fees. We will table this until next meeting.

Old Business:

Board discussed the San Juan 77 given to the club by Ed Gilliland. The club does not have a 501 C3 status. This means there would be no tax advantage to Ed for donating his boat. Board members also had concerns about the maintenance on the boat and who would be responsible for this, as the boat already seems to need substantial work. Tim R will meet with Ed Gilliland and let him know the club is not interested in the boat at this time.

New Business:

1. Tim R had a request from a yacht club member who would like to slip his power boat at the club. Tim invited him to come to our next board meeting and discuss his request. The board made a one time special dispensation for another club member to slip his power boat without having a sail boat also docked at the club. The stipulation was, this dispensation was for one year only and we would revisit the matter on a year to year basis. Melanie made a motion to write a letter immediately to this member and let them know, in the future we will not allow power boats to be slipped at the club without also having a sail boat. It seems to have opened a can of worms. Anne M 2nd. A letter will be written to this member to let him know we will not be making any exceptions to the bylaws after this season. Tim R will sign the letter.

2. New refrigerator is up and working.

Commodore Report:

1. BBQ is in. A very big thank you to Kirk.
2. There have been a few issues with power boats being launched by club members at the club. Tim let the members know this was against the rules and that there is a \$100 fine in place for anyone who launches a power boat at the club. The fine was not enforced at this time. The members were very receptive and apologetic.
2. There is also an issue of a couple boats being docked at the club who are not owned by the actual member. Melanie D and Maren A formed a committee to review the bylaws and policies and determine who is in violation. They will also look at the policy on power boats.
3. Tim had a call from an unhappy member who is a day sailor and was having trouble getting his boat through the parking lot. Discussion on how to provide easier access through the parking lot.

Vice Commodore Report:

1. Brad Lane reported that Wes Hulla has been fabulous help getting new lines for the committee boat etc. The Whaler will be taken in soon to get the starter fixed.
2. The board discussed the necessity of the race steward wearing a life jacket at all times while alone on the committee boat during races. Mark S made a motion, Brad L 2nd.
3. Brad reported the Thistle Regatta was very successful.
4. Brad brought up the possibility of having a multi hull fleet for the Montana Cup as there are three club members who own multi hulls and would like to race in the Montana Cup. It was agreed that we would establish a multi hull fleet.

Rear Commodore Report:

1. Kirk Hafferman helped with the tile work in the BBQ area
2. The Tracker lawn mower pooped out. Kirk will get it fixed.
3. Docks all look good and light on that the docks that are not working are now getting fixed.

Treasurers Report:

1. A motion was made by Brad to move money from the WFCU. Mark S 2nd.
2. The club used some of the cash reserve for the new grill costs.

Phil moved to accept the treasurers report. Mark 2nd.

Handicap Committee:

The committee needs to meet and re evaluate all of the handicaps, as the US Sailing PHRF has changed and we follow the US Sailing handicap system.

JR. Sailing Report:

- 1.The JR. sailing program had 9 kids from the community participate in the program.
2. Only one small accident occurred.
3. The club will issue Haylee Sauer a check for \$100 for her help with the Jr. sailing regatta.
4. The big Boat sail went well.

Social Committee:

Mardi Gras is the theme for this years Walk A Boat .There will be a pancake breakfast the following morning.

We Site Committee:

The wesite is up to date .

Melanie made a motion to adjourn. Anne 2nd. Meeting adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Anne Muir
NFYC Secretary