

SACRAMENTO YACHT CLUB
GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING (GM) MINUTES
3365 Chicory Loop, West Sacramento, CA 95691
January 26, 2024

Call to Order: **Commodore Hodge called the meeting to order at 19:00 hours (7:00 PM).**

Flag Salute: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by SM Fred Hatfield.

Roll Call: Present were Commodore (C) Tim Hodge, Vice Commodore (VC) Jessica Cummings, Rear Commodore (RC) Jason Chastain, Secretary (S) Jennifer Pike, Treasurer (T) Hali Reyes, and Port Captain (PCpt) Chuck Lenert. Absent: Measurer (M) Leslie Zucha.

Past Commodores present: Jonathan Barker (1999), Russ Kaiser (2008), Chuck Lenert (2016), Sam Teresi (2020), Kevin Rogers (2023)

Life Members present: PC Russ Kaiser, PC Chuck Lenert, SM Kent Baker

C Hodge asked for any edits to the December 10, 2023, GM minutes. Motion made by PC Kaiser to accept the minutes as written. Seconded by S Pike. No abstains. Motion passed.

MEMBER APPLICATIONS: VC Cummings reported on a new application for Steven and Deborah Larson (sponsors: SM Yvette Teves-Rapp and SM Chris Tully).

OLD BUSINESS:

Marina Damage Update: PC Kevin Rogers updated the membership on the marina damage insurance settlement with Hanover. SYC has settled with Hanover for \$2.1M plus expenses for LindMarine debris removal, loss of income payments (for displaced vessels) received so far (01/23 – 10/23) and expected loss of income through construction, for a total payout of \$2.4M. The Committee is now reviewing bids from marina contractors for consideration. Construction of the new docks is anticipated for late summer '24. All insurance monies received to date have been invested in short-term notes, earning approx. 5% interest, while waiting for rebuild activities to start.

NEW BUSINESS:

Office Manager Position: VC Cummings reported:

- She and Twyla Buzzarellos have been taking care of the Business Office tasks.
- Beginning to receive applicants for the Business Office Manger position
- VC Cummings, T Reyes & Director Scott Howard will conduct interviews.

Bylaw Review – Article I & II: S Pike reported:

- Amendments for Article I and Article II of the SYC Bylaws were emailed to the membership 10 days prior to the meeting for review. Returned member suggestions were incorporated.
- The amendments were presented for discussion during the meeting. Member questions were discussed.
- Article I and II amendments are posted on the bulletin board in the hallway and will be voted on at the February GM meeting.

Standing Rule – Social Media Policy: S Pike reported:

- The club established a social media committee last term.
- The committee has developed a set of social media policies for inclusion in the Standing Rules.
- The policies were presented to the membership for discussion. Member questions were discussed.

- It was recommended the policy also be added to the club's Code of Conduct.
- S Pike made a motion to accept the Social Media Policy as recommended for membership vote.
- T Reyes seconded. C Hodge led a hand motion vote of the membership present at the meeting. The vote was unanimous.

MOTION CARRIED: SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY WILL BE ADDED TO STANDING RULES AND CODE OF CONDUCT.

OFFICER REPORTS:

Commodore: C Hodge 'bragged' a bit, recognizing the contributions of key SMs who spent tireless hours working with Hanover insurance, the consultants, contractors, debris companies ... emails, files and telephone calls .. to negotiate a final settlement and a rebuilding path forward for the Club:

- PC Kevin Rogers for his diligence in getting us a settlement with the insurance company.
- PC Chuck Lenert for locating and soliciting bids from 10+ companies; walked the docks with each company.
- PC Lygren for his fiscal guidance and insight through the process.
- PC Sam Teresi and the previous Board who put our insurance policy in place.
- Kent Baker, Karen Conrod, Twyla, Fran, Doug Rader, and more.

"Each was a vital spoke in the wheel that became this job." C Tim Hodge

Vice Commodore: VC Cummings thanked the galley crew C Tim and Stacey Hodge, SMs John and Elisha Derek. VC Cummings further:

- Thanked SM Scott Howard for procuring a new media projector for the club.
- Reported on the TGIF Fun Night that was held. The theme was a murder mystery.
- Thanked SM Kelley Simmons and SM Jim Hutchinson for cleaning out the fryer.
- Thanked those who participated in the Chili-CookOff. Category winners will be announced in the Wingdammer.

Rear Commodore: RC Jason Chastain reported

- The Fellowship Dinner is on Saturday, February 3rd. Cruise schedules will be announced. This is a blue blazer/SYC crest event.
- February 9th is the first cruise of the year (Sweetheart Cruise) hosted by SMs David & Lori Santos, SMs Fred & Melissa Hatfield.
- One of the workboats has been fixed and has returned; the other is now going out for service repairs. Special thanks go to Brad Buckman who has been working on the workboats and donated part of his labor and time.

Secretary: (S) Pike reported:

- Membership cards can be picked up in the Business Office.

Treasurer: (T) Reyes reported

- The club earned \$332,000 in net income in 2023.
- Keeping an eye on capital improvement projects we can now start to consider with the insurance equation of our expenses answered.
- The 2023 estimated revenue from philanthropic projects to be \$8K. Philanthropy Coordinator SM Nadien Chastain raised \$23K for projects during the year (300% above expectations).

Measurer: VC Cummings reported

- New rosters will arrive soon.

Port Captain: PC Lenert

- Thanked SM Al Hall for bringing buoys in off the river (Al had his own mini-work party!)

Galley Manager: SM Tina Ramirez reported

- The Fellowship dinner is coming up.
- Still have room for a few Galley Leads for 2024 events
- A galley lead checklist has been developed.

Events: PC Russ Kaiser announced the Old Salts Dinner on March 2nd to install PC Kevin Rogers as a member of the Old Salts. VC Cummings announced to come for the Sweetheart Cruise and stay for the Superbowl on that Sunday.

Safety Officer: no report

Bar Manager: SM Caroline McCord reported

- Recruiting for barbacks; contact Caroline.

Dredge: no report

Ship's Store: SM Jerriann Santin reported SYC Crests are available in the store for \$35.

Wingdammer: no report

PICYA/RBOC: SM Keary Briggs reported

- PC Jan Lucas' installation as PICYA Commodore is on January 27, 2024 at 7PM.
- PICYA Scholarship Award is coming up; entries need to be in by June 2024.
- PICYA Opening Day parade is April 28th. \$135 per person; Theme: *Rocking The Bay*.

Webmaster: no report

Philanthropy: SM Nadien Chastain reported

- One PICYA consideration category for annual awards is a youth participation project. SM Chastain will be looking to engage club members in teaching youth about good boating practices this year as a project.

GOOD OF THE CLUB:

- Those with a birthday in January stood for Happy Birthdays.

FINES: Fines were announced and assessed. SM Kent Baker donated his winnings back to the philanthropic project.

ADJOURNMENT

PC Russ Kaiser motioned to adjourn the meeting at 20:22 hours (8:22PM). PC Kevin Rogers seconded. Motion carried.

Submitted By: Jennifer Pike, Secretary