

MINUTES

of the

BOARD of GOVERNORS MEETING

of the

OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB

January 11, 1980

A meeting of the Board of Governors of the Off Soundings Club was held at the Old Lyme Inn, Old Lyme, Connecticut at 1200 on January 11, 1980. Commodore Davis presided. Other Governors present were:

William L. Ames
E. Carleton Granbery, Jr.
Eliot H. Porter, 2nd.
Richard H. Roberts

Donald P. Robinson
Walter D. Strang, Jr.
William B. White
Richard W. Woolworth

Present by invitation were:

H. Peter Converse
David H. Dunn
Norman E. Rabe

Paul C. van Dyke
John M. Washburn, Jr.
Richard B. Washburn

The meeting was called to order at 1230.

The minutes of the previous meeting on October 27, 1979 were VOTED approved as circulated.

Vice Commodore Porter reported that the annual meeting will be held at Mystic Seaport on April 5th and arrangements are in progress.

Rear Commodore Granbery had nothing to report.

Treasurer Strang presented his interim report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. He noted with the increased dues and race donations, that the Board just passed, we should be good for five or six years. He was instructed to invest our excess funds in something that would pay a better interest than the savings account that they are now in. His report was VOTED accepted.

The Historian, Mr. Converse, reported that he is working on a film for the Annual Meeting Dinner that might be enjoyable.

It was moved, and VOTED, to appoint William L. Ames to the office of Race Secretary, left vacant by the resignation of Mr. Wadlow at the last meeting.

Race Secretary Ames reported that the Guest Invitation has been up-dated and Shelter Island is all set. He also noted that he has a successor in training.

The Measurer, Mr. Roberts, commented on his written report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. He noted that the roster of measurers is down to fifteen, but he felt that he would be able to add one or two this year.

Mr. Butler was not present, but had told the Secretary that the membership stood at its limit of 630 and the Membership Committee was working hard. The Secretary was instructed to tell Peter Comstock that the old membership records could be destroyed per Board of Governors decision 1-9-76.

Mr. Rabe reported that there had been no requests for reclassification.

There was a discussion concerning the use of PHRF certificates in lieu of OSC certificates for our races. The Board felt that requiring the OSC certificate preserved our data base for figuring PHRF. It was moved and VOTED to continue to require a valid OSC certificate for all boats entering our races. Mr. Rabe asked the Commodore to so inform our membership in his news letter.

Mr. Dunn reported that the race committee boat "Empress" is all set as are the other boats and his committee.

A discussion on protests followed. The Board felt, in order to ease the burden on the Protest Committee, we should develop a protest form and make it available to our fleet. Mr. Raymond and Mr. Ames were instructed to work out the details.

The Entertainment Committee reported that everything is all set at Shelter Island including extra launches. They will feed the necessary information to the Race Secretary in time for the First Notice.

Mr. van Dyke read his Public Relations Committee report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

Under Old Business, the committee on the use of the mailing list had no report.

The Commodore presented proposed wording for the waiver that will be included on the entry blank. After a discussion, it was moved and VOTED, that the Flag Officers polish up the wording and a committee made up of Mr. Ames as Chairman, Mr. Strang, Mr. Rabe and Mr. Roberts figure out how to include it on the entry blank.

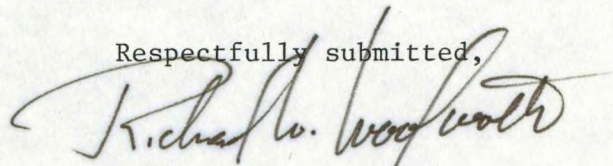
The Commodore asked the same committee to review the Category 4 requirements.

Under New Business, it was moved and VOTED, to donate \$500 to Mystic Seaport Museum and \$50 to the Block Island Rescue Service.

Commodore Davis pointed out that USYRU is going to make insurance available to member clubs to cover them for racing. Treasurer Strang noted that we now have an insurance policy, but he was not sure what it covered. The Commodore and the Treasurer will look into the insurance situation and report back at the next meeting.

There being no further business, it was VOTED to adjourn at 1428.

Respectfully submitted,



Richard W. Woolworth
Secretary