

MINUTES
of the
BOARD of GOVERNORS MEETING
of the
OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB
November 3, 1984

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 November 3, 1984. Commodore Granbery presided. Other Governors present were:

Dudley W. Butler
Donald C. Davis
Eliot H. Porter, 2nd.
Norman E. Rabe
Richard H. Roberts

Howard A. Schechterle
James B. Slimmon, Jr.
Walter D. Strang, Jr.
Paul C. van Dyke
Richard W. Woolworth

Present by invitation were:

Allen N. Anderson
Louis J. Bevilacqua

Chester B. Humphrey, MD
John H. Lockwood

The meeting was called to order at 1217.

The minutes of the previous meeting on April 7, 1984 were VOTED approved as circulated.

Vice Commodore Roberts discussed the various options available for the Annual Meeting and Dinner. Because the Seamen's Inne is going to be too small for our group, he has made tentative reservations at the Sheraton Norwich and Ocean Beach. The possibility of using the Coast Guard Academy was discussed. It was moved, and VOTED, to authorize the Vice Commodore and his Committee to make a commitment to the Coast Guard or the Sheraton for our dinner and report back at the January meeting.

Rear Commodore Slimmon discussed his Prize & Awards Committee report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. There was a discussion about awarding trophies to our crash boats. The Secretary was instructed to look up the policy and inform the Chairman of the Prize and Awards Committee what it was.

The Board stood for a moment of silence as the Secretary read the names of the following members who had passed away since the last Board meeting:

William W. Jenkins
Joseph Palmieri

Malcolm I. Oakford
John M. Washburn

The Following resignations were VOTED accepted with regret:

Robert M. Leve
Henry Edward Pierce
Robert J. Smith, Jr.
Edward B. duPont (Motorboat)
Patrick Wm. O'Neal " "
W. N. Stan Renehan " "

The following were VOTED dropped from membership for non-payment of dues:

Everett H. Dunn
James A. Hayes

Valentine H. Everson, III
John Jansson

Treasurer Strang commented on his written report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. He felt that with the new dues and fees, we are holding the line and the outlook looks good. He showed the new burgee license plates he had for sale. It was moved, and VOTED, that he stock 12"/18" burgees also.

It was moved, and VOTED, to approve the following dates and locations for our 1984 events:

Board Meeting - Old Lyme Inn	Saturday, January 26
Guest invitation cut-off	March 20
Annual Meeting & Shore Party	Saturday, April 6
First Notice - Spring Series	April 19
Closing Date " "	May 23
Final Notice " "	June 7
Race Dates - Shelter Island	June 14 & 15
Results of Spring series & First Notice - Fall Series	July 12
Closing Date " "	August 22
Final Notice " "	September 6
Race Dates - Block Island	September 13 & 14
Final results for 1984	October 11
Dyer Dhow Derby	October 19
Board Meeting - Old Lyme Inn	Saturday, November 2

The Clerk, Mr. Schechterle, reported that we are on good terms with the State of Massachusetts.

The Measurer, Mr. Rabe, saying that there was no creditable alternative, moved, and it was VOTED, to use PHRF in 1985.

Race Committee Chairman van Dyke moved, and it was VOTED, to charter "Empress" for the 1985 series. There was a discussion on the possibility of starting Class "B" at 1030 on Friday in the spring because when there is a flood tide they will probably beat the Committee Boat to the finish. Mr. van Dyke will present a proposal at the January meeting.

Mr Davis moved, and it was unanimously VOTED, to commend the Race Committee for their good judgment in shortening Saturday's race in the spring due to light air and canceling Saturday's race in the fall due to heavy winds. Mr. van Dyke read a letter, a copy of which is attached to these minutes, listing some of the things that convinced him to scratch the Saturday fall race.

Membership Committee Chairman Butler reported that his committee continues to meet in its time honored fashion but he noted that there seems to be less applications for membership that in the past. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided that the Commodore inform the members of the membership application procedure in his February news letter. Mr. Butler will mail each member of the Board a membership application.

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

Commodore Granbery read the Entertainment Committee report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

Mr. Bevilacqua and Mr. Lockwood reported that their Shelter Island Liaison Committee was happy to be on board and ready to go. There was a discussion of some of the problems that we have had in the past and they said that they would look into them.

Mr. Anderson read his Public Relations Committee report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. It consisted of quotes from the New London Day showing the Club's concern over the bad weather and the safety of the participants.

Fleet Surgeon Humphrey commented on his written report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

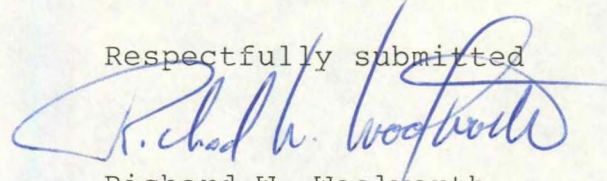
The following Nominating Committee was VOTED appointed for 1985:

Eliot H. Porter, 2nd., Chairman
Frank Bohlen
Benjamin Hall

Mr. Rabe discussed the new measurement data certificate that he was preparing. He will bring it to the January meeting for approval.

There being no further business, it was VOTED to adjourn at 1419.

Respectfully submitted



Richard W. Woolworth
Secretary