

M I N U T E S
OF
BOARD OF GOVERNORS' MEETING
OF
OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB

January 22, 1959

A meeting of the Board of Governors of the Off Soundings Club was held at the New York Yacht Club on January 22, 1959, at 1:15 P.M. Commodore Fales presided. Other Governors present were:

John B. Bindloss
Frederick K. Daggett
Henry B. duPont
John E. English

Leo A. Geyer
Robert L. Hall
John B. McPherson
Melvin D. Southworth
G. W. Blunt White

It was VOTED to accept the minutes of the last meeting as circulated to the members.

The Treasurer submitted his report for the period ending December 31, 1958, which report was accepted and ordered on file.

Letters of resignation were presented by the Secretary for the following:

Joseph T. Ballard
Humphrey Barker
A. Frederick Bradley
Alan M. Chesney
William A. Hardy

Roger F. Hughes
Alden M. Reiser
F. Walter Rowe, Jr.
Perry MacKay Sturges
Robert D. Teller
Alfred A. Young, Jr.

It was VOTED that these resignations be accepted with regret.

The following were reported as delinquent for non-payment of dues and assessment for 1958:

J. William Jones, Jr.
Alexander M. Swain, Jr.
Frederick B. Stanton
Arthur H. Meyers

The Secretary was instructed by vote to advise these members that unless dues and assessment for 1958 were received within 30 days, they will be dropped from membership.

No action was taken with respect to members in partial arrears (assessment) or with respect to C. Sherman Hoyt. Upon request of Mr. Hall, action with respect to Eugene Wade, Jr., was also deferred.

Requests for reinstatement by two former members were considered and Mr. Ernest I. Kearns and Mr. W. Perry Curtiss, Jr., were reinstated to membership by unanimous vote.

The matter of possible change in membership classification referred to at the previous meeting, particularly with respect to possible honorary members,

was considered, as was the possibility of special dues for overseas members. After full discussion, it was VOTED to make no change in membership classification.

There was considerable discussion with respect to two suggestions which Mr. Hitz made for our measurement rule. The problem of change in the 3-blade propellor allowance was considered and after discussion, it was VOTED to make no change in the rule in this respect. Mr. Bindloss refrained from voting.

The problem of trim for measurement purposes was discussed at length, after which it was VOTED that all boats from this date forward be trimmed for measurement as defined by the C.C.A. Rule and appropriate note made in all future measurement instructions.

At the request of Mr. Pierre S. duPont III, consideration was given to the possibility of increasing the overall length limit sufficiently to permit his racing Barlovento II in our races, as her 71' 8" exceeds the present limits. As a result of complete discussion, it was VOTED not to change the present length limitations, but that should sufficient interest in racing larger boats be evidenced, consideration should be given to adding another class.

Commodore Fales suggested the appointment of E.E. Dickinson III as Chairman of the Nominating Committee and the Board unanimously approved Mr. Dickinson's appointment.

After discussion, dates for the Club's events for the coming year were set as follows:

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| Winter Shore Party | March 21 |
| Spring Race | June 12, 13 |
| Fall Race | September 18, 19 |

There then followed a discussion of some technical details in connection with the actual running of our races. The Race Secretary was asked to consider them carefully and present for further consideration any suggestions he might have to the March meeting.

Specific votes were passed with respect to the following:

VOTED: That the crew list requirement be discontinued.

VOTED: That Zev and Lady Luck not be hired for shore boat service this year.

VOTED: That the Race Secretary arrange with Mr. Trecarton of Shelter Island for shore boat service, including consideration of appropriate insurance and report to the spring meeting.

VOTED: That actual prizes for our races be mailed to the recipient after the results have been completely checked, rather than given out immediately after the race.

The following Resolution was passed with respect to the late Byron Durfee:

WHEREAS, Byron Durfee served us as Chairman of our Race Committee for eight years, he was known to and greatly respected by many of our members. His unselfish devotion to these duties is recognized by all of us, and because of the unending hours he spent so effectively leading the Race Committee, the members of

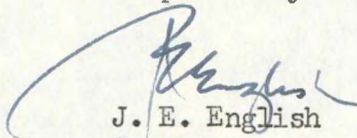
the Off Soundings Club are greatly indebted to him.

It is therefore resolved, that the Board of Governors of the Off Soundings Club express their profound regret on the passing of Byron Durfee, whose loss will be keenly felt by all of us.

It is further resolved, that these resolutions shall be spread upon the permanent records of the Off Soundings Club, and a copy thereof shall be sent to Mrs. Durfee as an expression of our sympathy in her great loss.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



J. E. English
Secretary