

OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB

AGENDA

Board Of Governors Meeting -- 12 January 1956

1. Roll Call
2. Approval -- minutes of 16 September meeting *approved*
3. Approval of Treasurer's report *approved*
4. Secretary's report -- Members added  
Members dropped ✓
5. Schedule for balance of 1956 ✓
6. Plans for Spring Races -- Course  
Race Committee Chairman  
(Mel Southworth, Byron Durfee)
7. Report of Committee studying race size and future invitation policy -- Mel Southworth, chairman  
R. Stephens  
John Fales  
Henry DuPont
8. Appointment of Nominating Committee
9. Fred Young's suggestion re MANITOU -- 62' LOA  
44' LWL  
13' 9" Beam  
8'-6" Draft
10. Commodore's report
11. Other Business

RSjr:jvi

January 21, 1956

Commodore Roderick Stephens, Jr.  
c/o Sparkman & Stephens  
79 Madison Avenue  
New York 16, New York

Mr. Melvin D. Southworth  
P.O. Box 109  
West Springfield, Massachusetts

Mr. A. A. Young, Jr.  
c/o Electric Boat Division  
General Dynamics Corporation  
Groton, Connecticut

Gentlemen:

Enclosed you will find a copy of a telegram, dated January 20th, to the Division Engineer - New England Division, Corps of Engineers, United States Army, as discussed at the January 12th meeting of the Off Soundings Club Board of Governors.

Sincerely,

OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB

J. Wm. Jones, Jr.  
Secretary

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MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD AT  
THE NEW YORK YACHT CLUB - NEW YORK, NEW YORK  
JANUARY 12, 1956

Present:

Commodore Roderick Stephens, Jr.  
Vice Commodore John R. Fales  
Rear Commodore Henry B. du Pont  
Robert L. Hall  
Paul K. Rogers, Jr.  
Melvin D. Southworth  
J. Wm. Jones, Jr.

Absent:

J. Franklin Norcross  
G. W. Blunt White  
A. A. Young, Jr.

Meeting called to order by the Commodore at 1:30 p.m.

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the last meeting be approved.

RESOLVED, that the Report of the Treasurer be accepted with thanks for the usual good job.

RESOLVED, that the Report of the Secretary be accepted. Included in the Secretary's report was the fact that our membership, as of January 11, 1956, totaled 334 members, including 18 new members added since April 1, 1955, one deceased, one dropped from membership and 7 resignations accepted.

RESOLVED, that the schedule of events for 1956 be as follows:

Annual Meeting and Winter Party -	March 16, 1956
Spring Race -	June 8, and 9, 1956
Fall Race -	September 14, and 15, 1956

RESOLVED, that only new members accepted before the completion of the Fall Races will be billed for that calendar year. Any new members accepted between the Fall Races and the following year will not be billed until January of the new year.

AND, FURTHER, in accordance with this Resolution, the Club will accept the dues of the following three members already having paid dues for the year 1955:

C. Porter Schutt  
Holkins D. Palmer  
Robert M. Love

Dr. Paul H. Twaddle will not be required to pay dues until the calendar year 1956.

RESOLVED, that the following be reinstated:

Mr. Gordon Raymond	New York City, New York
Mr. Arthur H. Meyers	Grosse Pointe Wood, Michigan
Commodore T. L. Miller	Stonington, Connecticut

RESOLVED, that the following members be dropped:

Mr. A. T. Avery - because of ownership of power boat.  
Mr. Edward P. Foster - for non-payment of dues.

RESOLVED, that meetings held during the race weekends be held at 5:00 p.m. prior to any after-race special events.

RESOLVED, that the course for the Spring Race will be set up by the following committee of three:

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RESOLVED, that the Race Committee should be prepared for and allowed to change course at a moment's notice if it is obviously impossible for the race to be finished on time.

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RESOLVED, that perpetual trophies shall be awarded to those with the lowest corrected times for both Spring and Fall races neglecting penalties usually applied for winning trophies.

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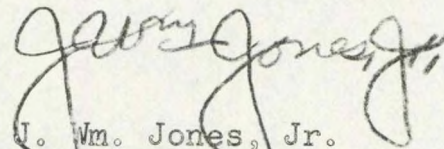
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RESOLVED, that the Refreshments Chairman for the races be changed each year and that the Commodore will contact Daniel S. Morrell, Jr. for next year's race.

RESOLVED, that \$50.00 be sent to W. Mahlon Dickerson by the Off Sounding's Club as its contribution toward the U. S. participation in the Olympic games in support of the Olympic Yachting team.

Meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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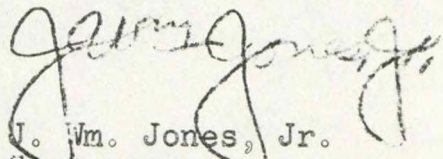
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OUTGOING

**TELEGRAM**

ELECTRIC BOAT DIVISION  
GENERAL DYNAMICS CORPORATION  
GROTON, CONN.

JANUARY 20, 1956

DIVISION ENGINEER  
NEW ENGLAND DIVISION  
CORPS OF ENGINEERS, UNITED STATES ARMY  
857 COMMONWEALTH AVENUE  
BOSTON 15, MASSACHUSETTS

RE YOUR LETTER CONCERNING BRIDGE TO BE CONSTRUCTED OVER  
MOOSABEC REACH MAINE FROM MAINLAND TO BEELS ISLAND. THE  
OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB HAS OVER 300 MEMBERS MANY OF WHOM  
SPEND MUCH OF THEIR SAILING TIME EACH YEAR IN MAINE  
WATERS. THE 39 FT. HEIGHT AT MEAN HIGH WATER PROPOSED  
FOR THIS BRIDGE WOULD PROHIBIT OUR MEMBERS FROM USING  
THIS REACH AS IN THE PAST. THIS GROUP THEREFORE  
RECOMMENDS THAT IF THIS BRIDGE MUST BE CONSTRUCTED IT  
BE DESIGNED WITH THE SAME CLEARANCE AS THE BRIDGE OVER  
EGGAMOGAN REACH WHICH WE UNDERSTAND IS APPROXIMATELY 85  
FT. AT HIGH WATER.

J. WIL. JONES, SECRETARY  
OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB