

MINUTES

of the

BOARD of GOVERNORS MEETING

of the

OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB

October 18, 1980

A meeting of the Board of Governors of the Off Soundings Club was held in the Morgan Suite of the Seamen's Inne at Mystic Seaport Museum, Mystic, Connecticut at 1000 on October 18, 1980. Commodore Davis presided. Other Governors present were:

William L. Ames  
Dudley W. Butler  
E. Carleton Granbury, Jr.  
Herbert W. Owen  
Eliot H. Porter, 2nd.  
Edgar L. Raymond, Jr.

Richard H. Roberts  
Donald P. Robinson  
Howard A. Schechterle  
Walter D. Strang, Jr.  
William B. White  
Richard W. Woolworth

Present by invitation were:

H. Peter Converse  
F. B. George Hohenstein  
Norman E. Rabe

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

The meeting was called to order at 1010.

The minutes of the previous meeting on April 5, 1980, were VOTED approved as circulated.

Vice Commodore Porter read his written report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

Rear Commodore Granbury read his Prize & Awards Committee report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

The Board stood as the Secretary read the following list of members who had passed away since our last meeting:

Winslow B. Ayer  
Harold Bergendahl  
George K. Briggs

Kenneth W. Mc Kenzie  
Alexander M. Swain  
Paul R. Wood

The Board unanimously VOTED the following resolution and instructed the Secretary to send a copy to the Dunn family:

RESOLVED - We, the Board of Governors of the Off Soundings Club, Record here in our minutes our deeply felt sorrow and very real sense of personal loss in the death of our fellow member and very good friend, David H. Dunn.

A member of our Race Committee for several years, and its Chairman since October of 1978, Dave had made a substantial contribution to the object of our club, "to promote good fellowship between men actively intrested in sailing." His organizational ability, quiet competence and friendly good humor were hallmarks of the good shipmate that he was.

We acknowledge our pride and gratitude for the privilege of knowing and working with him, and we express our sincere sympathy to his family in the loss we share.

he following resignations were VOTED accepted with regret:

Raymond F. Berry  
Edmund D. Brown  
Bradford R. Frost  
Bertram Lippincott

Robert L. Peach  
William W. Robinson  
John E. Wayland

The following were VOTED dropped from membership for nonpayment of dues:

David L. Bainbridge  
John P. Bininger  
Dudley F. Blanchard  
Willard A. Bourne  
Granville M. Fillmore

Deane K. Fox, Jr.  
Lloyd A. Hamilton  
Charley M. La Cour  
W. Ross Mc Connell, Jr.

Treasurer Strang presented his interim report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes. He noted that because of our dues and fees increase last year, we should be good for another couple of years.

Mr. Converse submitted his resignation as Historian which was accepted with regret by the Board. The Board then, moved and VOTED to appoint Donald P. Robinson to fill the unexpired term.

Race Secretary Ames reported that we had races and some went further than others. He suggested, and the Board VOTED to approve the following dates for our 1981 events:

Board of Governors Meeting	January 9
Guest Invitation Cut-off	March 25
Annual Meeting & Shore Party	April 4
First Notice - Spring Series	April 17
Closing Date - " "	May 21
Final Notice - " "	June 5
Race Dates - " "	June 12 & 13
Spring Results &	
First Notice - Fall Series	July 17
Closing Date - " "	August 27
Final Notice - " "	September 11
Race Dates - " "	September 18 & 19
Final Results for 1981	October 16

After a discussion of where we should hold our events next summer, a committee made up of the Commodore, as Chairman, the Vice Commodore and the Race Secretary was instructed to investigate locations and report back at the January meeting.

Commodore Davis thanked Mr Ames for all the fine work that he had done during the past year as Race Secretary. The Board moved and VOTED a motion of thanks to Eileen Ames for all her help in assisting Bill with the Race Secretary's job.

It was moved and VOTED to hold the January 9, 1981 Board of Governors meeting at the Old Lyme Inn, Old Lyme, Connecticut at 1200.

The Clerk, Mr. Schechterle, reported that he has the signed corporate papers and he will file them.



A discussion on the size of our classes took place. It was suggested that we eliminate one of the "A" or "B" classes and add another "C" or "Cruising" class. A Committee, made up of the Race Secretary, Measurer and the Classification Committee Chairman will look into this and make suggestions at the January meeting.

Mr. Butler reported that the Membership Committee has been active and due to the larger than normal list of resignations and deaths, our membership is somewhat lower than our limit of 630.

Mr. Raymond reported that he planned no changes in the measurement rule at this time.

Mr. Rabe reported no formal requests for reclassification this year.

Race Committee Chairman van Dyke noted that it was a different world from up on a high bridge. He told the Board that we had lost the orange turning mark last spring. He was instructed to purchase a new one. It was moved and VOTED to charter "Empress" for next season.

Commodore Davis thanked Mr. van Dyke for doing a great job and stepping into the breach last season.

Mr. Raymond reported that there were no problems with the Protest Committee last summer.

Mr. Washburn reported that the Entertainment Committee's report was incomplete because they have not received the bill from Block Island. The Washburns submitted their resignation as chairmen of the committee and Commodore Davis appointed F. B. George Hohenstein to replace them.

Commodore Davis appointed Allen N. Anderson to replace Mr. vanDyke as Public Relations Committee Chairman.

The Committee for the use of the mailing list presented the following guide lines for the use of our addressograph plates by others:

1. The purpose of the mailing shall relate to the sport of sailing.
2. The mailing shall not be for commercial or profit making purposes except that this restriction may be waived by a majority vote of the Flag Officers and the Secretary if, in their judgement, there is a benefit to the members which warrants it.
3. The mailing shall not be for fund-raising purposes unless approved by the Board of Governors.

Mr. Ames, reporting for the Committee on Category #4 Requirements, listed the various options, i.e., 1) Do nothing - use same list as we have now, 2) Develop a new list, using the best of our present list and the new USYRU Category #4, 3) Use the USYRU Category #4 requirements. He suggested, and the Board VOTED, to follow suggestion #2 above. The Committee will get the list out to the Board before the January meeting.

After a lengthy discussion on whether we should inspect boats to see if they have the right gear that we require, the Commodore asked the Board to send suggestions to him before the January meeting.

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The following Nominating Committee was VOTED appointed:

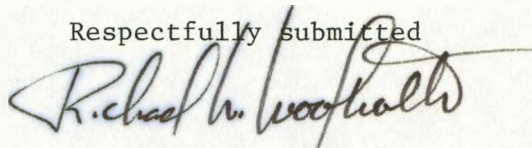
Donald P. Robinson, Chairman  
W. Bruce Lockwood, Jr.  
Varick D. Harrison

Commodore Davis appointed the following committee to set-up and run the Annual Meeting Dinner. They were instructed to find the best place to hold the meeting and dinner.

Vice Commodore Porter, Chairman  
William L. Ames  
Richard W. Woolworth

There being no further business, it was VOTED to adjourn at 1300.

Respectfully submitted



Richard W. Woolworth  
Secretary



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