

OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB

OFFICE OF
THE SECRETARY
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AGENDA

BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING

JANUARY 10, 1969.

1. Call to order - Commodore duPont.
2. Approval of minutes of meeting, April 6, 1968 - Mr. White.
3. Secretary's Report - Resignations, dues arrears, deaths -
Mr. White.
4. Reports of Officers -
 - Treasurer - Mr. Geyer
 - Historian - Mr. Smith
 - Measurer - Mr. Ames
 - Race Secretary - Mr. Robinson
 - Clerk - Mr. Brown
5. Dates for Year's Events -
 - a) Annual Meeting and Shore Party
 - b) Spring Races
 - c) Fall Races
6. Committee Reports -
 - Race - Mr. Wolfe
 - Membership - Mr. Comstock
 - Classification - Mr. Bailey
 - Measurement Rule - Mr. Raymond
 - Entertainment - Mr. Barnes
 - Protest - Mr. Raymond
 - Public Relations - Mr. Cabot
 - Prizes and Awards - Mr. Scheel
7. Approval of Commodore's appointment of Nominating Committee.
8. Commodore's Report
9. Old Business - Special Committee report on Mel Southworth Memorial.
10. New Business
11. Adjournment.

MINUTES
of
BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING
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OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB
January 10, 1969

A meeting of the Board of Governors of the Off Soundings Club was held in the Morgan Room of the Seaman's Inne, Mystic Seaport, Mystic, Connecticut on January 10, 1969 at 12:00 Noon. Commodore du Pont presided, other Governors present were:

Paul W. Adams	Edgar L. Raymond, Jr.
William L. Ames	Donald P. Robinson
Phelps Brown	Henry A. Scheel
John E. English	William B. White
Leo A. Geyer	

Present by invitation were:

David Cabot	Hinsdale Smith, Jr.
Peter H. Comstock	Gilbert L. Wolfe

The minutes of the last meeting on April 6, 1968 were voted approved as circulated.

The Deaths of the following four members were noted with sorrow and regret:

John Lentini	W. Stuart Powers
Edward F. Sutherland	Edward S. Moore III

The resignation of W. E. Coykendall per his note of April 30 was accepted. The resignations of R. S. Baxter and F. K. Daggett, automatic under the "Motorboat Rule" were noted. It was voted Herbert S. Blake, Jr. be dropped from the rolls for non-payment of dues.

The Treasurer Mr. Geyer presented his interim report 3 April 1968 - 8 January 1969. He pointed out the costs of our Spring and Fall 1968 series totaled \$10,600 and contributions \$7,600. With this in mind, it was moved and voted that the suggested per capita contribution be raised from \$3 to \$4.

It was moved and voted an \$800 contribution be made to Mystic Seaport.

It was moved and voted the Secretary arrange for a new Yearbook format.

The Treasurers report was accepted and made a part of these minutes.

Race Secretary Mr. Robinson presented a letter from Vice Commodore Jay Helme, Shelter Island Yacht Club, regarding costs. Considerable discussion resulted, it was voted the Race Secretary and Entertainment Chairman make arrangements with all hosts for

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first class arrangements, determining and establishing costs in a business-like manner, for final approval at the April meeting.

The Historian Mr. Smith reported a large file of film on hand, much data collected and filed. Since he might be retiring in June, he made some excellent suggestions on the type of work needed in the future, which the Commodore requested he write down for the Club's guidance.

The Measurer Mr. Ames reported all in order, one new measurer approved, and suggested an official letter of appreciation be sent Steve Castle for his loan of a calculator 5 months per year. The Secretary will do this.

The Race Secretary Mr. Robinson reported 232 starters in the Spring, 220 in the Fall, with the usual 85% of entries becoming starters.

The Clerk Mr. Brown reported the Club is in compliance with the laws of Massachusetts.

The dates for year's events were approved as follows:

Annual Meeting and Shore Party	April 5
Spring Race	June 13 & 14
1st Notice	April 18
Closing Date	May 22
Final Notice	June 6
Fall Race	September 12 & 13
1st Notice	July 11
Closing Date	August 21
Final Notice	September 5
Dhow Derby	October 18

Race Committee Chairman Mr. Wolfe suggested we use a "stand-off buoy", this will be worked out with Pat Patterson. There is still some worry about the 2nd day special mark, the Race Secretary will check with the Coast Guard Sailing Authority to see if they would like to be responsible for its setting. Again, Mr. Wolfe emphasized the continuing superb contribution of Henry du Pont thru his loan of "Nor'easter".

Membership Committee Chairman Mr. Comstock reported 539 members, many pending applications in all stages of development. Since our April meeting there were 25 new members, 4 deaths, 4 resignations, 1 dropped for non-payment of dues.

Classification Committee report was made by Mr. Ames who complimented Chairman Bailey on his crisp, definitive, and correct decisions.

Measurement Rule Chairman Mr. Raymond complimented the original authors and recommended no change.

Entertainment Committee had no report.

Protest Chairman Mr. Raymond reported only two protests this year and no problems with them. He is still in contact with NAYRU, still not having an official reply regarding Mr. Henry du Pont's appealed protest.

Public Relations Chairman Mr. Cabot, advised reports to the papers and magazines, had been timely filed throughout the year, and all past and future reports would also be filed with the Historian.

Prizes and Awards Chairman Mr. Scheel expressed disappointment over having heard nothing pro or con from the winning membership regarding his choice of prizes.

It was moved and voted E. E. Dickenson III be appointed Chairman of the 1969 Nominating Committee with the privilege of picking his own committee.

The Commodore thanked all for the splendid help and cooperation received over the past two years, including from non-members, Pat Patterson and Ben Harrison. Special invitations to Club functions are to be issued such helpers by the Secretary, who is to be advised by officer in charge. It was suggested Ted Zacher be asked to photograph and the Commodore will talk with him. An especial thanks was given Mystic Seaport.

The Special Committee on the Mel Southworth Memorial suggested a special occasion coffee/tea service for the Mystic Seaport, suitably engraved. This was voted approved for delivery and presentation at April Annual Meeting. Mr. Brown will discuss details with Myotta Kendrick; the Commodore will advise Mrs. Southworth of the Memorial; Mr. Scheel will write up the inscription.

Under "New Business", considerable thought and discussion were given "Where is the Club going", "What is to be done with the Membership and Class B explosion". Attached and made a part of these minutes are comments made by the Commodore.

It was moved and voted all 1969 guest applications must be in the Race Secretary's hands two weeks before the Annual Meeting in April - and that the Board would pass on to whom invitations would be issued.

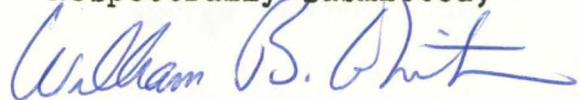
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The next Board of Governors meeting was established as April 5.

There being no further business, the meeting was voted adjourned
at 3:15 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,



William B. White
Secretary