



OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB

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ATTENDANCE

at the

ANNUAL MEETING

of the

OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB

April 5, 1975

W. L. Ames
C. M. Haines
J. E. English
E. L. Raymond
D. W. Butler
W. D. Strang
D. C. Davis
E. H. Porter, II
H. W. Owen
D. P. Robinson
P. H. Comstock
T. M. Russell, III
N. H. O'Connell
L. A. Geyer
H. P. Converse
R. L. Hall
E. E. Dickinson, III
F. W. Cole, Jr.
L. A. Wadlow
T. S. Wadlow

F. L. Hertel
E. S. Purcell, Jr.
H. W. Read
J. W. Hartigan
G. T. Griffin
V. D. Harrison
E. W. Wetmore
J. K. Baker
H. A. Scheel
R. H. Roberts
W. B. White
D. Woodman
J. Q. Rice
H. W. Rathbun, Jr.
S. K. Welling
G. R. Harrah
A. W. Donkin
R. W. Woolworth
P. C. Van Dyke
T. S. Wadlow, Jr.

MINUTES

of the

BOARD of GOVERNORS MEETING

of the

OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB

April 5, 1975

A meeting of the Board of Governors of the Off Soundings Club was held in the Munson Room of the G. W. Blunt White Library, Mystic Seaport, Mystic, Connecticut at 1530 on April 5, 1975. Commodore Owen presided. Other Governors present were:

William L. Ames
Peter H. Comstock
John E. English
Leo A. Geyer
Edgar L. Raymond, Jr.

Richard H. Roberts
Donald P. Robinson
William B. White
Gilbert L. Wolfe
Richard W. Woolworth

Present by invitation were:

Donald C. Davis
Robert L. Hall

Walter D. Strang
Paul C. VanDyke

The meeting was called to order by Commodore Owen at 1537.

The minutes of the previous meeting of the Board of Governors, January 10, 1975, were VOTED approved as circulated.

The Secretary reported the following deaths since the last meeting:

David Daggett
Paul L. Johnstone

Charles F. Street
Elsworth Mac N. Wilson

The Secretary also reported that it had come to his attention that Harold D. Allen, who was VOTED dropped from membership at the January meeting, had in fact died during the summer of 1973. On a motion, made and seconded, it was VOTED to rescind the motion dropping Mr. Allen and list him as a deceased member in this years yearbook.

The Board stood for a moment of silence in memory of our departed members.

The following resignations were VOTED accepted with regret:

Robert B. Chappell, Jr.
Norris D. Hoyt
Henry Pelton
William N. James
Charles B. Butler
Charles F. Gladding, II
Allen D. Willard
Barnes Compton, Jr.
Lyman B. Hoops

John H. White
Robert E. Burnett
John V. Raser, Jr.
Russell J. Smyth
Johnson Stoddard
Alexander O. Veitor
S. Berry Jennings, Sr.
Ralph J. Comstock
John S. Thomas

The Secretary reported that the membership count now stood at 613 members.

The Treasurer, Mr. Geyer explained his report and accompanying graphs, copies of which are attached to these minutes. He commented that due to the dues increase, we are in good shape again. It was VOTED to accept the Treasurer's report with thanks.

The Historian, Mr. Hall reported that he had nothing to report.

The Measurer, Mr. Roberts reported that the ratings have all been recalculated for the 500 that are active as of June first of this year and cards have been sent out to them. It was VOTED to accept his report.

The Race Secretary, Mr. Robinson reported that:

1. The club's perpetual trophies have been photographed for insurance purposes.
2. The first notice is at the printers and incorporates all the changes that the Board had voted on.
3. He will require a list of all owners or charterers of boats on the entry blanks to help keep track of who has penalties.
4. Mr. Davis will chair a committee to handle appeals to our life-line rule.
5. He adjusted the minimum rating in accordance with the rule change to 17 feet.
6. It was VOTED to accept the guest list, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

It was VOTED to accept the Race Secretary's report.

The Clerk, Mr. Brown was ill and unable to attend the meeting, but he sent the corporate papers to be signed. The Commodore will take care of getting them back to him.

The Race Committee Chairman, Mr. Wolfe stated that the report he gave at the January meeting was sufficient and did not need any elaboration at this time. His report was VOTED accepted.

The Membership Committee Chairman, Mr. Comstock reported that he was in agreement with the Secretary on the membership count. After a short discussion, it was VOTED to set a new limit of 630 on our membership. It was moved and VOTED to accept the report of the Membership Committee Chairman.

The Classification Committee Chairman, Mr. Bailey was in California and did not leave a report.

The Measurement Rule Committee Chairman, Mr. Raymond reported that, as instructed by the Board of Governors at their January meeting, his committee has corrected the rule. His report was VOTED accepted.

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The Entertainment Committee Chairman, Mr. Strang reported that arrangements had been made in Block Island at the same place and at the same rates as last year. His report was VOTED accepted.

Mr. Raymond, Chairman of the Protest Committee reported that there had been no protests since the last meeting. His report was VOTED accepted.

Mr. VanDyke had nothing to report for the Public Relations Committee.

Mr. Comstock, reporting for the Prize and Awards Committee, stated that no prizes had been awarded since the last meeting.

Under Old Business, Mr. Roberts reported that he might be able to use a Greene Plastics computer with a minimum amount of cost to the club.

Commodore Owen reported that the Flag Officers had decided to invite the MORC fleet to our fall series. Details will be worked out by the new Commodore.

Vice Commodore White reported that he has been working with the Coast Guard and Senator Pell about getting some racing bouys placed in Block Island Sound. So far, no progress.

Under New Business, Vice Commodore White announced that he was going to appoint A. Duncan Mac Dougall as Fleet Surgeon.

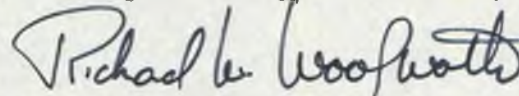
Noting the retirement of two of their members, the Board of Governors VOTED a resolution of thanks to Leo A. Geyer and Gilbert L. Wolfe. The Board acknowledged with appreciation the fifteen years that Mr. Geyer devoted to keeping the club in sound financial shape. Mr. Wolfe was congratulated for his ten years of service as Race Committee Chairman, during which time he kept control of our steadily growing racing fleet. Their twenty five years of combined service was noted as invaluable towards the continuing success of our club.

The Board of Governors stood in a rising vote of thanks to Commodore Owen for the great job he has done during his term of office.

It was moved and VOTED to authorize Mr. Robinson to purchase two burgees for the Seaport.

It was VOTED to adjourn at 1657.

Respectfully submitted,



Richard W. Woolworth
Secretary

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April 5, 1975

The Annual Meeting of the Off Soundings Club was held in the Aloha Meeting House at Mystic Seaport, Mystic, Connecticut at 1800 on April 5, 1975. A quorum was present and a list of their names are attached to these minutes.

Commodore Owen called the meeting to order at 1801.

On a motion, made and seconded, it was VOTED to accept the minutes of the last Annual Meeting, April 6, 1974, as circulated.

The Secretary read the roll of members who had died since the 1974 Annual Meeting.

Charles F. Street
J. Albert Hitz
Paul L. Johnstone
Ellsworth Wilson
David Dagget
Harold D. Allen - died 1973

The members stood for a moment of silence in memory of their departed shipmates.

The Treasurer, Mr. Geyer, reported that the club was in good shape. His report was VOTED accepted.

The Measurer, Mr. Roberts, reported that all ratings have been reduced. His report was VOTED accepted.

The Race Secretary, Mr. Robinson, asked the members to please read their race circular as there has been a number of changes since last year. We do plan to have races this year even though the Coast Guard is trying to remove many of the bouys that we use as turning marks. His report was VOTED accepted.

The Historian, Mr. Hall, reported that the history of the Off Soundings Club is something that all members can be very proud of. His report was VOTED accepted.

Membership Committee Chairman, Mr. Comstock, reported that we did accept new members this year. His report was VOTED accepted.

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Mr. Raymond reported that the Board of Governors directed the Measurement Rule Committee to change the rule. This has been done. His report was VOTED accepted.

The Entertainment Committee Chairman, Mr. Strang, reported that there will be parties at the spring and fall races. His report was VOTED accepted.

The Chairman of the Race Committee, Mr. Wolfe, was not present but his report was VOTED accepted anyway.

Commodore Owen expressed thanks to all the Officers, Governors, Committee Chairmen and Members who made the last two years successful.

Past Commodore Ames, reporting for the Nominating Committee which consisted of himself, as Chairman, Herbert W. Owen and Eliot H. Porter II, placed the following in nomination for Officers:

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| Commodore | William B. White |
| Vice Commodore | Donald P. Robinson |
| Rear Commodore | Donald C. Davis |
| Clerk | Phelps Brown |
| Secretary | Richard W. Woolworth |
| Race Secretary | Thomas M. Russell, III |
| Treasurer | Walter D. Strang |
| Measurer | Richard H. Roberts |
| Historian | H. Peter Converse |

Placed in nomination for Governor were:

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| William L. Ames | Richard H. Roberts |
| Phelps Brown | Donald P. Robinson |
| Peter H. Comstock | Thomas M. Russell, III |
| Donald C. Davis | Walter D. Strang |
| John E. English | William B. White |
| Herbert W. Owen | Richard W. Woolworth |
| Edgar L. Raymond, Jr. | |

On a motion, made and seconded, it was VOTED that the nominations cease and the Secretary cast one ballot for the above slate. The Secretary cast one ballot as directed. The report of the Nominating Committee is attached to these minutes.

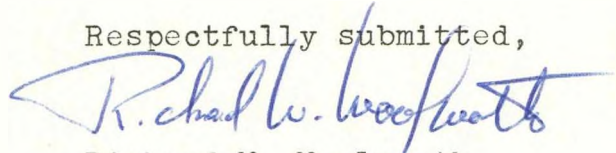
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Mr. Scheel moved, and it was VOTED that a study be made of the effectiveness of introducing the basic type older boat procedural padronism in Off Soundings. He suggested that this be passed on to the next group of titular grandees and let them struggle with it.

There being no further business, it was VOTED to adjourn at 1810.

Respectfully submitted,



Richard W. Woolworth
Secretary

In accordance with Article IX of the Constitution of the Off Soundings Club, the Nominating Committee has met and unanimously agreed to submit the names of the following members as officers and Governors of the Off Soundings Club for the coming year:

Commodore: William B. White
Vice Commodore: Donald P. Robinson
Rear Commodore: Donald C. Davis
Clerk: Phelps Brown
Secretary: Richard W. Woolworth
Race Secretary: Thomas M. Russell, III
Treasurer: Walter D. Strang, Jr.
Measurer: Richard H. Roberts
Historian: H. Peter Converse

All of the preceding officers with the exception of Historian are also members of the Board of Governors.

For Board of Governors:

Herbert W. Owen
William L. Ames
John E. English
Edgar L. Raymond, Jr.
~~Varrick B. Harrison~~

Peter H. Converse

William L. Ames Chairman

Herbert Owen

Elliott Porter.