

OFF SOUNDINGS CLUB

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING

MARCH 22, 1958

HOTEL SHERATON-KIMBALL, SPRINGFIELD, MASS.

The Commodore called the meeting to order at 6:05 P.M. and asked that as the first order of business a moment of silence be observed in memory of those members who have sailed their last voyage since the last annual meeting.

The minutes of the last annual meeting were approved as circulated.

The Treasurer presented his reports, the highlight of which was the unfortunate fact that 1957 operations resulted in a loss of \$1290.43, compared with a small excess of income (\$98.50) over expenses for 1956, which results had prompted the Board to take the action it did in January in making a special assessment this year. That report was accepted with thanks.

The Commodore then commented on the decision of the Governors to have shapes instead of flags used in connection with signals for starting the Club's races and also the changes in courses for the second day's races, all of which will be set forth in the racing instructions.

Rear Commodore duPont spoke briefly about the hearings to be held by the Army Engineers in Jacksonville concerning possible changes in minimum bridge clearances on the Inland Waterways and the desirability of having the sailing fraternity well represented. It was VOTED that the Treasurer be authorized to reimburse one member's expense for travel to Florida and return as the Club's representative, if the trip were specially made to attend the hearing, April 9, 1958.

It was then VOTED that the thanks of the members be extended to all officers and committees for their hard work during the year just ended.

Discussion ensued on the use of the Off Soundings rule by other clubs, not always with complete success, and it was VOTED that the Measurer prepare descriptive material as to the use in practice by our Club of the rule (including allowance for windward work, etc.) so that the same boat does not get a different rating under our rule in the various events sponsored by other clubs in which that boat competes, and arrange for its distribution.

The Nominating Committee presented the following slate:

Commodore	John R. Fales
Vice Commodore	Frederick K. Daggett
Rear Commodore	Henry B. duPont
Clerk	Melvin D. Southworth
Secretary	John E. English
Race Secretary	John B. McPherson
Treasurer	John B. Bindloss
Historian	Douglas L. Swan
Measurer	Prescott W. N. Gustafson

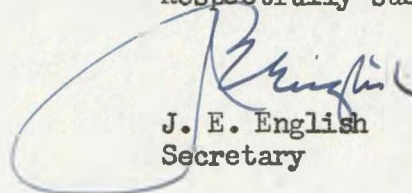
GOVERNORS

John B. Bindloss  
Frederick K. Daggett  
Henry B. duPont  
John E. English  
John R. Fales  
Leo A. Geyer  
Prescott W. N. Gustafson  
Robert L. Hall  
John B. McPherson  
Melvin D. Southworth  
Roderick Stephens, Jr.  
G. W. Blunt White

After motion made and seconded, it was VOTED that the Secretary cast one ballot unanimously electing the officers and Governors as presented.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



J. E. English  
Secretary