

Catalina Island Yacht Club
Board Meeting
April 6, 2022
LBYC and Zoom Video Conference

Officers/Board Members Present

Commodore Steve Shea, V/C Gary Tolar, R/C John Wells, P/C Mary Haller, Jr S/C Roland Rapp, David Baker, Louie Bozanich, Bob Flaig (via Zoom), Larry Gottlieb, David Johndrow (via Zoom), Taylor Hunter , Randy Weaver, and Chris Wiltsey.

Members Present

Dr Stewart Brash, Paul Bushaw, S/C Carlos Chacon (via zoom), S/C Jeff Christiansen (via zoom), Tom Collins (via zoom), Pete Compton, Steve Davis (via zoom), Gary Fiamengo, Tom Fipp (via zoom), Todd Gleason, Kathy Hamilton, Dr Steve Hightower, S/C Dave Horst, Steve Irwin (via zoom), Andrew Jessup (via zoom), Keith Jorgensen (via zoom), Jim Knox, S/C Michael Levitt (via zoom), S/C Jim McCampbell, George Padgett, Warren Platt (via zoom), Roy Paul (via zoom), Bruce Rieser (via zoom), Marshall Rogers, S/C Kenny Rozak (via zoom), Anthony Salcido, Dr Diane Schneider (via zoom), William Smyth (via zoom), Tom Thacker, Dick Webben, Don Willet (via zoom), Billy Womack

Guest Present

Jennifer Armstrong (via Zoom)

Call to Order – Chairman Roland Rapp

Roland called the meeting to order at 1700 hours. Roland asked if there were any corrections, additions or deletions to the March 2nd 2022 Board meeting minutes which were distributed earlier. Hearing none, they will stand approved as distributed.

Roland welcomed new member Dick Webben to his first board meeting.

Roland noted that per a request by Director Larry Gottlieb, a list of each Standing Committee would be added to the 2022 Roster. The only committee not yet approved was the Nominating Committee. Per the Bylaws, as Junior Staff Commodore, Roland will serve on the committee as Chairman.

Roland moved that S/C Dave Horst, S/C Kenny Rozak, and S/C Jim Wachtler make up the rest of the 2022 Nominating Committee. The motion was seconded by V/C Gary Tolar. The motion carried unanimously.

Secretary Bob Flaig requested that each committee chairperson submit a list of the committees to him as quickly as possible, for submission into the 2022 Roster.

Roland then reported on the status of the extension of our lease with the City of Avalon. City Council member and candidate for Mayor, Cinde MacGugan-Cassidy played a vital role in negotiations for the Tuna's Club's new lease, which was approved by the City Council in 2021. The Tuna Club's new lease has a twenty (20) year term with 2 ten (10) year renewal options. Cinde has strongly encouraged CIYC to promptly submit a letter to the City of Avalon, requesting a new lease with the same/similar terms. Roland, with input from Treasurer Randy Weaver, J/A David Baker and P/C Mary Haller has completed a draft of that letter. He has received additional edits from Board members, and once he's done incorporating those edits, he would like to submit that letter to Cinde for her review and input. Additionally, CIYC has until September 2022 to exercise our final ten year renewal option with the City, which we can do concurrently while negotiating a new lease. Roland and J/A David Baker have done an initial review of the standard lease form used by the City with the Tuna Club, and Roland would like to form a committee to review both our current lease as well as the new lease form used by the City, with the purpose of making recommended revisions & addendums that would best suit and protect CIYC's needs moving forward.

Roland moved to submit the draft letter, inclusive of edits provided by email, requesting a new 20 year lease with 2 ten year options to Cinde MacGugan-Cassidy. The motion was seconded and after additional discussion was carried unanimously.

Roland moved to form a lease review committee consisting of himself, J/A David Baker, Treasurer Randy Weaver, & House Chairman Kirk MacInnis. The motion was seconded and after additional discussion was carried unanimously.

Commodore's Report – Steve Shea

Steve thanked Roland, House Chairman Kirk MacInnis and City Liaison Dan Devoe for their dedication and ongoing hard work to get us to this point in the negotiation process.

He noted that while COVID-19 was settling down and burning itself out, there was yet another new variant. The new variant seems to be more virulent in Europe, and while it appears to be more contagious, it is far less lethal. Most likely due to the greater number of people who have antibodies from either vaccinations or from having COVID. He feels that the upcoming season should be back to as normal as possible. He also reported that a new stage has been purchased and delivered, although General Manager Jenny Armstrong reports that they haven't yet unpacked it.

Vice Commodore's Report – Gary Tolar

Gary reported that House Chairman Kirk MacInnis and Maureen have been hard at work all winter on numerous projects. He noted that the Float is in the middle of extensive repairs, and expects that it should be back in the water by Mid-April.

He also reported that there is no longer a laundry service on the Island, which will make ongoing laundering of our tablecloths a challenge this season. V/C Gary Tolar, P/C Mary Haller and Jenny have identified several options to address this issue.

Gary then displayed a House Master Binder that he has put together which includes all House guidelines, standard colors, paint types, etc. as well as electrical and plumbing schematics. There are 4 printed drafts as well as a draft on the CIYC Dropbox account. The House binder will be a "living" document and will be updated by the Vice Commodore each year and passed along to the incoming Vice Commodore.

Rear Commodore's Report – John Wells

John thanked all the mooring owners who allowed use of their moorings since our last meeting. He noted that the cut off for mooring requests was Monday at 6:00 pm. He also noted that members had until just before midnight of the day preceding their arrival to cancel a mooring assignment without being charged by the Harbor. He asked that members not contact the Harbor Department themselves, unless it was an emergency.

Port Captain's Report – Mary Haller

Mary reported that preparations were underway for the upcoming Commodore's Ball being held at Virginia Country Club. 92 members are signed up and she is looking forward to a wonderful event honoring Commodore Steve & Sheila Shea.

Mary also noted that April 29th and 30th is Work Weekend; that Opening Day is Saturday June 17th; and suggested going to the website for signups for all future events. She also noted that unbeknownst to the Board, on March 15th & 16th, the Club's webmaster migrated the Club's website from one server to another. Unfortunately, any reservations for an event or mooring assignment made during those two days was left behind on the old server and she cautioned members to review their account to ensure that they were indeed signed up for the events and moorings that they think they should be.

Club Manager's Report – Jenny Armstrong

Jenny noted that she is very happy with the Zoom meeting Owl; she is participating in the meeting from the Island via Zoom, and the experience from her end is much better than with the standard Zoom meeting format.

She is excited for the upcoming season, which is rapidly approaching. She reported that new security cameras are currently being installed and the resolution is far superior to the old system.

She reported that thus far, 10 members have signed up for the CPR Class being held on the Friday of Work Weekend, and has room for 5 more participants and would love to see a full class.

Treasurer's Report – Randy Weaver

Randy reported balance sheet in good shape with \$588K operating cash and \$526K capital reserves. Income and operating expenses are on budget. We have 6 new members that have increased reserves by \$60K.

We received notification from the State that businesses with 5 or more employees who do not sponsor a retirement plan must register for Cal saver the state retirement savings program by June 30th 2022.

We have applied through our payroll service for ERC (Employee Retention Credit) which was brought to our attention by Gary Granbery who is also the BCYC Treasurer. It is a credit of up to 50% of payroll with a max of \$10K per employee per quarter in 2020 if there was a government action that affected your business. We qualify due to Avalon shut down by LA County which had restriction on our large gatherings inside our club.

Secretary's Report – Bob Flaig

Bob noted that at last month's meeting we approved LBYC's current Commodore as well as their Jr. S/C., for Honorary Member which is typically given Type-A status, which includes mooring assignment privileges. However, in light of their refusal to waive room charges for this month's Board and Auxiliary meetings, it was questioned whether there was any reciprocal value to justify a mooring assignment privilege.

Gary Tolar moved to classify the two LBYC Honorary Memberships as Type-B.
The Motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

Bob reported that the printing of the roster has been delayed until April 16 so that members can use their photos from the upcoming Commodore's Ball.

Bob requested that each Flag Officer presenting a report to please send him their reports electronically to better facilitate preparation of the Board Meeting Minutes. He also again requested that each Standing Committee Chairperson submit their list of committee members.

House Chairman's Report – Kirk MacInnis-absent, no report

Foundation – Randy Weaver

Randy reported that Anthony Salcido has resigned as Chair of the Foundation and that a new President and Vice President were being sought. He noted that the announcement for the 2022 Annual Invitational Billfish Tournament has been sent out via email and that the tournament would be chaired by Bob & Sally Kurz this year.

Membership –Kathy Hamilton

Kathy reported that we currently have 180 members and we have no member openings. We have 3 prospective members on the waiting list.

New Business

Director Larry Gottlieb requested that the Organizational Chart be added back to the Club's Roster and that a list of Standing Committee members be added to the Roster. Roland noted that we already addressed the issue of the standing committees, which will be added. He then reported that the Bylaws committee would be evaluating the Org Chart once again this year.

S/C Kenny Rozak requested that the Staff Commodore's phone/Zoom meetings, originally instituted by S/C Jim Wachtler, be resumed. Roland reported that he would work on scheduling a meeting.

Executive Session

The Board entered Executive session

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1800hrs.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bob Flaig, Secretary

Roland Rapp, Chairman