

Catalina Island Yacht Club
Board Meeting
January 4, 2023
BCYC and Zoom Video Conference

Officers/Board Members Present

Commodore Gary Tolar, V/C John Wells, R/C Mary Haller, P/C Chris Wiltsey, Treasurer Randy Weaver, COB Roland Rapp, Secretary Bob Flaig, Larry Gottlieb, Louie Bozanich (zoom), Taylor Hunter, David Johndrow (zoom), Kirk MacInnis (zoom), Jr. S/C Steve Shea (zoom) and J/A David Baker.

Members Present

Steve Birch (zoom), Stewart Brash, Paul Bushaw (zoom), S/C Carlos Chacon (zoom), S/C Jeff Christiansen, Jim Collings, Larry DeDonato (zoom), Gary Granbery, Kathy Hamilton, S/C Brad Kelly (zoom), S/C Michael Levitt, Harold Lund (zoom), S/C Jim McCampbell, Tom Nix (zoom), Lynette O'Bryan, David Reed, S/C Kenny Rozak, Tom Thacker, Georges Thiret, Don Willet (zoom) and Dick Webben.

Guest Present

Club Manager Jenny Armstrong (zoom)

Call to Order – COB Roland Rapp

Roland called the meeting to order at 1700 hours. He stated that version 3 of the draft minutes of the December 7, 2023 Board Meeting had been distributed previously via email, and asked if there were any corrections, additions or deletions to the draft minutes. Hearing none, the minutes stand approved as distributed.

Commodore's Report – Gary Tolar

Gary reported that an ad hoc committee had been formed to address the condition of the celebrity wall plaques and all the contents. The committee will be headed up by Taylor Hunter and S/C Dave Horst. Taylor reported that the committee is investigating costs associated with possibly digitizing the original member cards and photos and re-framing copies to be replaced on the wall, thereby preserving the originals. He will report back to the Board at the February meeting.

Gary then discussed adding a Secretary's Assistant to help Secretary Bob Flaig with the minutes. Currently, Bob serves as the Webmaster, on the Membership Committee and organizes the Roster for print. Our Bylaws allow the Board to appoint a non-board member as an assistant and this appointee will be tasked with taking the minutes of the Board meetings. **It was moved and seconded to appoint Dave Austin to the position of Assistant Secretary. The motion carried unanimously.**

Vice Commodore's Report – John Wells

John reported that he met with Commodore Gary Tolar and House Chairman Kirk MacInnis at the CIYC Clubhouse over New Year's Eve weekend to review and prioritize House projects for 2023. Top priority were the top caps on the handrails.

John invited everyone interested in the 2024 Commodore's Cruise to attend an informational seminar to be held at BCYC, Wednesday, January 18th.

Rear Commodore's Report – Mary Haller

Mary reported that all of the harbor mooring permission cards had been mailed out to the mooring owners. Included in each request was an early mooring gift of an Amazon gift card, meant as a thank you for taking the time to sign and return the card. She noted that she's looking forward to a very busy 2023 season.

Port Captain's Report – Chris Wiltsey

Chris reported that the informal New Year's Eve celebration held at the Club was enjoyed by all who participated. He thanked Todd Gleason and Kathy Zeka for organizing the dinner and for cooking the prime rib. He noted that next up on the Calendar was the Commodore's Ball being held at the Balboa Bay Club on March 4th, followed by the Commodore's Cruise, leaving Miami on March 11th.

Club Manager's Report – Jenny Armstrong

Jenny reported that the Clubhouse had been very quiet over the last few weeks but that the New Year's dinner was a great event; with excellent food and company. She noted that while Avalon had seen a lot of rainfall, there had been no impact on the Clubhouse.

Treasurer's Report – Randy Weaver

Randy reported that the November billing statement had been mailed out, including the 2023 Annual dues. He noted that we are currently on budget during our first month of the fiscal year. In November, with Board approval, \$53K was transferred from the Operating account to the Contingency Reserve account, which now has a balance of \$108K. The Long Range Planning Reserve has a balance of \$466K, and the Operating account currently has a balance of \$75K, with the expectation of being fully replenished with member dues, which are due by January 31, 2023. He encouraged all members to pay their dues and any past due amounts in a timely fashion.

Randy then reported that S/C Jim McCampbell had stepped down from the Foundation President position, and the Foundation Board had elected Tom Thacker as President.

Randy noted that the Board needs to appoint a regular member to the 2023 Finance Committee. **It was moved and seconded to re-appoint Gary Granbery to the 2023 Finance Committee. The motion carried unanimously.**

Secretary's Report – Bob Flaig

Bob reviewed the current Honorary Member list which, when updated, will need to be approved at next month's Board meeting. Some suggestions were made, and Bob will follow up and email the proposed list to the Board, prior to February's meeting.

Foundation – Tom Thacker

S/C Jim McCampbell has served as the Foundation President twice and has done an outstanding job. Tom thanked Jim for his many contributions over the years.

Randy Weaver noted that all of the letters acknowledging donations to the Foundation during 2022 have been mailed out.

Membership –Kathy Hamilton

Per a written request by S/C Brad Kelly, **it was moved and seconded to approve transferring S/C Kelly's membership from Regular Member to S/C A status. The motion carried unanimously.**

Kathy reported that with last month's resignations of Tim Salyer and Bruce Reiser, our current membership count is 181, including Ashley Chapple, who does not count towards the membership cap until she turns 40 in July of 2027. Don Vodra resigned his membership on December 28th, Jan Houts has opted to resign the membership after John's passing, and with S/C Kelly's transition to S/C A status, this leaves 3 open membership spots.

Additionally, a request has been made by Dr. Michael O'Brien's daughters, who are also the Executors of his estate, to transfer his membership to daughter Karen Duncan. Dr. O'Brien's mooring and boat will remain in the family. We also have two Associate members, Stefanie Sitzer and Sasha Ayloush who are requesting transfer from Associate to Regular member status.

We currently have ten prospective members on our waiting list.

House Chairman's Report – Kirk MacInnis (via Zoom)

Kirk reported that while things are currently slow, plans are underway for the 2023 maintenance projects.

He also reported that the 2023 House Committee shall consist of: R/C John Wells, House Chairman Kirk MacInnis, S/C Michael Levitt, Jim Collings, Louie Bozanich and Georges Thiret.

New Business

Jim Collings and Georges Thiret will be added to the 2023 membership Committee.

The 2023 Bylaws Committee will be: Tom Thacker, S/C Jim Wachtler, S/C Steve Shea, Vice COB Taylor Hunter, and Director Larry Gottlieb.

Executive Session

The Board entered Executive session at 1745hrs.

The Board exited Executive session at 1825hrs.

Mrs. Trayce Nadolsky and Ms. Sasha Ayloush have been approved as a Regular members.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1825hrs.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bob Flaig, Secretary

Roland Rapp, Chairman