

**Sarasota Bay Yachting Association
Board Meeting
Sarasota Sailing Squadron
October 5, 2017**

Chairperson Peter Robinson called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Present: Mike Halliday (SSS), John Lynch (VSS), Dave Powell (BKYC), Peter Robinson (SSS), Charles Mixon (BGYC)

Motion by Dave, approved by all to approve the minutes of the last meeting.

Treasurer: No report.

Sarasota Bay Boat of the Year:

- Mike reported that only 10 PHRF boats participated in the SSS Labor Day Regatta. This regatta seems more a youth event. We should discuss whether or not to include it in next year's BOTY.
- The BYC Kick Off Regatta was postponed due to Irma. 27 boats participated in the re-scheduled event – a slight decrease from 2016.
- Dave reported that the SYC Invitational is scheduled for November 4. Mount Gay Rum and their iconic red caps are a sponsor. SYC will donate 50% of the registration fees to a hurricane relief charity.
- It was suggested that the skipper's bag for each regatta include a flyer for the next BOTY event.

WFLPHRF

- Charles Mixon has replaced Robert Hindle and was welcomed to the Board.
- The number of active certificates has again declined both nationwide and in FL.
- WFLPHRF has requested the results of each BOTY event
- The rating committee is having preliminary discussions related to the performance ratios used for cruising class definition. Some boats are classified as cruisers with ratios outside the limits. John noted that the ratios may not be particularly meaningful.

Old Business

- Nothing to report

New Business

Peter reported that the SSS Board voted to proceed with the formation of a 501(c)(3) to run outside regattas. This needs to be approved by the SSS membership.

The next Meeting of the BOD was scheduled for 6:00 PM Monday February 5, 2018 at SSS. This date may change because of a conflict with an SSS Board meeting.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:20 PM.

Submitted: Dave Powell, Secretary