

**Sarasota Bay Yachting Association
Board Meeting
Sarasota Sailing Squadron
October 4, 2018**

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

Present: Mike Halliday (SSS), Dave Powell (BKYC/SYC), Peter Robinson (at large), John Lynch (VSS), Fred Ruggiero (BYC), Charles Mixson (SSS)

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

Treasurer: No report.

Sarasota Bay Boat of the Year:

- The SSS Labor Day regatta was canceled due to red tide.
- Fred reported that the BYC Kickoff regatta was successful with a small increase in participation from 2017. The regatta was not affected by red tide. There were insufficient entries in both the Pocket Cruiser and Mutihull classes.
- The BYC Kickoff has cruiser A and Cruiser B which creates an issue for BOTY standings
- BOTY does not have a Racer Cruiser class. Regatta can have a Racer Cruiser class but organizers should advise racers they they will not be scored for BOTY. If they want to be scored for BOTY they should compete in spin or non-spin.
- Dave reported plans for the SYC Invitational are progressing on schedule.
- The SSS Pot O'Gold regatta will be added to the BOTY series. Mike to arrange with SSS (subsequently done)

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- Number of certificates holding steady. They are having discussions on asymmetrical spinnakers, and ratings for bow sprits and poles and code zero sails. A recent issue with a boat classed as cruiser instead of pocket cruiser because displacement was under 10,000 pointed to the need for cross-field edits in the rating process.

Old Business

- None

New Business

- Venice is working with Naples and Davis Island to see if there is any interest in some form of regatta. It would be difficult to add stops in Sarasota because of depth issues, particularly with Big Pass.
- Need to contact Vickers about the renewal of the web domain name (Mike has subsequently done this).

The next meeting of the BOD is scheduled for 6:00 PM Thursday January 17, 2019 at SSS. (subsequently changed to Tuesday January 22.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:43 PM.

Submitted: Dave Powell, Secretary