

**Sarasota Bay Yachting Association  
Board Meeting  
Sarasota Sailing Squadron  
January 22, 2019**

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), Bob Eppinger (VYC), Charles Mixson (WFLPHRF), Vicken Kasparian (BGYC)

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

Treasurer:

- Vicken agreed to continue to be Treasurer.
- Our current balance is \$359.
- Our current bank is charging \$11.95 per month service fee. We will try to replace the bank. Mike will check with a local credit union.
- Significant discussion about incorporation, Cost is \$62 year. If dropped we should file for a "fictitious name" or DBA to protect our name. Although there was strong sentiment for dropping our incorporation, there is a concern about potential liability. No decision is needed now, Dave will review our documents and we will discuss at our May 2019 meeting.
- Both Vicken and Mike have paid some costs. Unanimous motion to reimburse both.

Sarasota Bay Boat of the Year:

- BOTY scoring was changed for the BYC Kickoff regatta to reflect Racer Cruiser.
- There is an issue with the class of Solitude – currently Cruiser, but with displacement < 10,000 which is PC. John to follow up with WFLPHRF (subsequently done).
- Bob reported plans for the Windjammer are progressing on schedule.
- Mike reported plans for the Cherry Pie are progressing on schedule.
- Dave reported plans for the Sarasota Bay Cup are progressing on schedule.

WFLPHRF

- There is new website.
- Working on reducing the penalty for Code 0 sails – expect completion in the near future.
- Annual meeting 29 June.

Old Business

- None

New Business

- We are getting to the point where we will need funds. Two methods were discussed
  - dues from our member clubs
  - small fee for each boat registered in a BOTY event.
- Each method has issues. Some concern that asking clubs might cause them to question value of SBYA, there are practical issues with collecting a fee for each registered boat. Discuss further at May meeting.
- There is a need to add to our email list. Try to get emails at skippers' meetings for BOTY events.

The next meeting of the BOD is our Annual Meeting scheduled for 6:00 PM Tuesday May 7, 2019 at SSS.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:24 PM.

Submitted: Dave Powell, Secretary