ASA BOD meeting minutes March 3, 2025

Chair: SG

Invitees: PPax, PP, SG, JC, HV, SGD

Guest: Regrets: Staff: KS, SH Location: Via Zoom

Topic		Time
Call to order Quorum reached?		6:02
Conflict of interest statement.		PM
Approve agenda: John/Stephen	Carried	
Adopt previous minutes: Stephen/John	Carried	

Board Opportunities and Issues:

- 2.4 boats: CYC had applied for a grant but has still not received a reply, there is a standing offer from BC but they were offered to Alberta clubs first.
- CPP Grant: Kathy will adjust the dates and circulate with an April 30th deadline. It will
 also be posted to the website. It is not to be used for paying club coaches or building
 docks, etc.
- Casino Payouts: Sarah and Kathy have calculated the amounts due to each club –
 ASA keeps 75% and the other 25% is divided between the clubs on a per number of
 volunteers sent basis. The proceeds can only be used for AGLC approved items.
- ASA Supported Events: The Alberta Series of five events, GSC may attend a spring
 event, Sail West was discussed, Cork's timeline is pretty tight, fall events discussed
 were Pumpkin Bowl and Fall Dingies. Eugene has been hired by CYC and the hope
 is that collaboration will occur between clubs. The support to sailing clubs document
 may need to be updated, currently ASA covers the coaching costs if there are at least
 five athletes. Sophie will mentor the club coaches at the regattas. She doesn't want
 last minute events; they need to be organized so that dates can be sent to parents.
 Hoping that CYC and GSC will figure themselves out soon.
- ASA credit card: Paula needs to go to the bank as soon as possible, and she'll let Stacey and Phil know once she has been there.
- Sails: Phil presented quotes in the \$700.00 range plus shipping. The best quote was approximately \$625.00 from Devoti. Sophie will check into the letters and colour we need before we order. Hyde is supposed to be better stitched than Pryde or North. Phil declared a conflict of interest and abstained from the vote.
- Motion: Purchase two Ilca 6 sails from Devoti. John/Heidi Carried
- Stacey and Phil will write a "Benefits of Membership" article for the ASA website.
- Virtual Sailing Club: for people who don't want to be members of a traditional club, aren't near one, coaches, instructors, kiteboarders, parents, etc. ASA will start a virtual club with a fee of \$40.00 per calendar year. Etransfers only. Right to race,

- government reporting. Sophie will work on it, based on Ontario's virtual club, and post on website.
- Start Keelboat Sailing: GSC planning an instructor course for keelboat instructors.
 Asking for ASA support with advertising and they'll supply the venue, we may be asked to hire the instructors. Tim Griggs will be asked to send a detailed request to Kathy
- Provincial Regatta: Wabamun Sailing Club has applied to host the 2025 Provincials.
 Sylvan Lake was interested an assisting, but have no venue to offer
 Motion: Wabamun Sailing Club will host the 2025 Provincial Regatta Carried Phil/John
- Edmonton Yacht Club is looking for ideas to increase their membership and attract younger members. Suggestions were made such as connecting him with Michelle and Julie, Sail Canada and add a sailing school with Ilcas, optis and 420s. There is an uptick of people taking keelboat courses; their kids could also be attending camps. Wabamun is similar with fewer younger people sailing.
- Rate increase for LFs: There has been no increase for nine years and the request
 was an increase from \$29.00 per hour to \$35.00. Last year the benchmark across
 Canada was \$29.00. Concern was that the courses break even while keeping the
 costs down for participants. Heidi offered more advertising for Wabamun. Sophie
 hoping to engage other clubs in the future and explained that Sail Canada would
 probably launch their updated program in mid-April. The LFs need to invoice promptly
 and take good care of ASA's equipment.

Motion: Increase the rate for LFs to \$30.00 per hour. Stephen/Heidi Carried

Operating Budget: ASA has close to \$300,000.00 in the bank. Some of that will be invested in GICs to with the intent that there is a one year operating rainy day fund.
 Motion: Adopt the operating budget for 2025 for ASA as presented.
 Heidi/Paula

Carried

President's Report:

- Website and Newsletter: Meaghan will be leaving as Communications Volunteer at the end of May. Sophie and Kathy will need more training for the website and the newsletter. Morweb will be available to assist but will eventually charge for their help.
- The engine for the Far East (Grover) should be sold for \$3,000.00 and ASA should purchase a new engine for between \$8,000.00 and \$11,000.00.
 Motion: Sell the Far East engine and purchase a new engine using the proceeds and added casino or budget money. Heidi/Stephen Carried
- Replace Elmo: After some discussion about replaceable tubes in newer boats, ASA will keep Elmo for now.
- Judges for CYC and WSC events: Stacey may have someone for WSC and is waiting for confirmation. Stacey and Debbie Kirby can use Rule 42 at CYC instead of bringing in another judge.

Admin Report:

- Still trying to figure out what to do about Great Slave Sailing Club, they run a school but don't seem to see the value in club membership.
- Kelsey Stroppel hasn't been paid for last year's clinic and refuses to send an invoice.
 Kathy will figure out what she is owed and let Phil know.
- Other tasks completed: GSS invoice, AGM minutes, circulated Provincials application, completed the AGLC survey, completed the WCB report, continues work

on the outstanding invoices, prepared large book order for GSC, and kept in touch with Sienna. Trying to find a way to invoice the CBS recertifications from last year, wrote the Benevity explanation for the website. Continue to work on adding the Safe Sport documents to the website.

Secretary's Report:

No report available

Treasurer's report:

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Carried

Communications Report:

- Looking for Alberta series list of award recipients.
- Need to add policies and strategic plan to website

Equipment Report:

- John will renew the truck's registration and let Kathy know when the insurance needs to be re-instated
- Wants to add a rear camera on the truck before May
- He'll order the new engine for Grover
- Elmo needs a new kill switch, there's a bit of work to do to the truck, Grover's trailer needs new tires and an alignment, and the small trailer needs a new axle
- Will work on having Rolly certified for use on the reservoir
- Will book return ferry from Newfoundland soon in case anyone plans to go to Cork

Youth Report:

- No report available
- Other Business:

In Camera if needed.

Next Meeting date: Tuesday, April 15th at 6:00 PM via Zoom

Terminate at: 9:18 PM Moved by Phil