

# ASA BOD meeting minutes October 19, 2024

Chair: SG

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

Guest: Tawny Fremont

Staff: KS

Regrets: Heidi Veluw, Phil Paxton

Location: Via Zoom.

Topic	Time
<p><b>Call to order Quorum reached?</b></p> <p>Conflict of interest statement.</p>	9:02 AM
<p><b>Approve amended agenda: John/Paula Carried</b></p>	
<p><b>Adopt previous minutes:</b></p> <p><b>September 9, 2024 John/Stephen Carried</b></p>	
<p><b>Board Opportunities and Issues</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tawny Fremont is considering joining the ASA board. Her son Weston is a sailor and Tawny travelled to the Cork Regatta last summer, providing ASA with some great Instagram posts.</li><li>• Soundbuoys were described and discussed. They are useful for finding marks when a sailor's vision is limited; they are legal and not terribly loud. They are being built in New Zealand and cost about \$3,000.0 NZ dollars. There is another recently developed alternative available, which is a type of eyeglasses, but pricing is unknown.</li><li>• Sophie submitted a proposal for the winter months, including educating coaches, communication with athletes, and training. Sophie would like to help coaches all over Alberta, and possibly spend some weekday time at CYC during the summer. Her plan is to "coach the coaches" and she will complete her Development Coach Course in the coming months. She is hoping to be able to keep sailors/athletes engaged as they get older. There will be a lot of work to do to prepare for the Canada Summer Games. Hours for the winter would be about 20 per week, and 20 per week during the summer, excepting regattas. She would also communicate regularly through the newsletter. There was some discussion about hauling boats, John suggested that parents might want to volunteer to help which would allow coaches to fly back and forth to regattas, allowing them to spend more time coaching.</li><li>• Discussion about available grants for Sophie's salary tabled until Heidi is available.</li></ul>	

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### **President report**

- The ASA AGM has been changed for the morning of December 7th, as the financial reports wouldn't be ready for the previous date of November 7<sup>th</sup>. Notices will be sent out to clubs and there will be a notice posted in the newsletter. AGM reports will be required from all directors.
- Sail Canada will hold their AGM at 5 PM on October 30<sup>th</sup>.
- Expenses for Braedyn and Cork expenses for Braedyn and Kendra have almost been cleared up.

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### **Admin report**

- Worked on the Cork expenses, invoiced the athletes for the balance owing.
- Made arrangements with the insurance company for Sophie and Cam to use the truck.
- Sent out reminder emails and invoice copies to clubs and schools to remind them of the September 30<sup>th</sup> deadline.
- Completed the setup for Benevity, a company that processes donations received, including sending tax receipts to donors.
- Received some website training as the website is very close to being released.
- Working on a detailed reporting survey for the provincial government, due October 31, 2024.
- Met with Ryan Kelly from Sail Canada, Sheila from Manitoba Sailing, and Conrad from Saskatchewan Sailing to discuss the progress and planning for the Gimli Training Centre. It is hoped that the momentum from the summer of 2024 will continue between the three prairie provinces.
- Sent the ad for the 2.4 boats to all Alberta clubs.

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### **Secretary report**

- **Position vacant**

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### **Treasurer report**

- Financials went to the accountant the week of October 7<sup>th</sup>.
- There are a significant number of receivables still due, some going back to 2022. Kathy will work on collecting the outstanding amounts.

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### **Communications report**

- **Communications Volunteer unavailable**
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### **Sailing and racing report from Head Coach**

- **No report available**

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### **Equipment report.**

- John is concerned about the big trailer; it needs axles as it's often overloaded. The question is whether to change the axles or sell it and build a new one. Stacey will approach Sheila again.
- Grover and Elmo both need to be checked, Elmo is at John's now, and Grover will arrive there the week of November 4<sup>th</sup>.
- The big purchase this year was the topper for the truck, new they are about \$24,000.00, we paid \$11,000.00 for a used one, which John is customizing.

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### **Youth Report**

- Paula spoke about Midwinters East and/or Midwinters West. Midwinters East will be held in Miami, Florida February 20 -23, 2025. Midwinters West is scheduled for March 20 23, 2025 in Long Beach, California. She had the idea that boats could be preloaded and stored at John's.
- Five optis plan to make the trip to the coast for the Pumpkin Bowl.

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- **Other Business:**
  - **In Camera if needed – nothing.**

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**Next Meeting date: November 12, 2024 at 6:00 PM**

**Terminate at 10:47 AM Moved by Paula**

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A. Accountability Review: Action register