Shields Class Governing Board Meeting July 11th, 2017 MINUTES

Attending

Eric Anderson	President	
Peter McWhinnie	Secretary	
Jay Dayton	Fleet 21	
Chris Wick	Fleet 19	
Ted Slee	Fleet 9	
Richard Robbins	Fleet 10	
Bill Berry	Fleet 10	

The meeting began at 8:00 EST

1) President's Report: Eric Anderson

- Thanked attendees for making the call.
- Status of nominating committee:
 - o Three members now selected: Skip Maguire, Garth Hobson, Peter Durard (fleet 9)
 - o Eric will communicate with them to get the process moving
 - o There are 5 weeks until the deadline for the Slate of Officers
- Annual Meeting
 - o Agenda needs to be published 20 days prior to meeting
 - o Eric requested that anyone with agenda items, please send them in to him
 - Standard agenda items:
 - Treasurers report
 - Secretary's report
 - Class rule changes discussion
 - Plan is to get agenda finalized by the next Board meeting
 - Question was asked: which class rule discussions are still open. Ted responded that the issue of annual measurement raised by Fleet 9 was still an open topic.
- Ocean Great Lakes Challenge: review
 - Shields Fleet One were congratulated for putting on a superb event: great organization overall, RC did an excellent job and overall it was a lot of fun for those attending.
 - The Board commented that hopefully the momentum from this year can be carried into next.

2). Treasurer's Report: Jay Dayton

• Not a lot to report.

• Opening Balance: (6/9) \$6,363.20

o Deposits:

Misc Class Dues \$ 115.00

Withdrawals:

■ Bonnier (Harken One Design Ad) 5/22/17 -\$ 150.00

• Closing Balance: \$6,328.2

• There were no questions

3) Secretary's Report: Peter McWhinnie

 No activity since last meeting. I will update fleet rosters when input and dues received from Fleet Captains.

4) Technical Committee Report: Bill Berry

No activity since last meeting.

5) Discussion Topics

A: 2017 Nationals Update, Mystic (Chris Wick)

- Update:
 - At last count, still only 8 boats registered
 - o Still looking for a Judge. Would welcome any suggestions/recommendations.
 - Ted Slee offered to check for potential judges in Newport
- Eric asked about potential entries from other Fleets. Expectations:
 - o Ted Slee (Fleet 9) advised 3-6-5 teams from Newport were expected
 - o Pete (Fleet 1) thought that 3-4 were possible.
- Eric encouraged Fleet Captains to get their boats to sign up; asked when entry fee goes up
- Chris: Entry fee goes up on August 15th from \$650 to \$750. Travel lift another approx. \$250.
- Chris: trophies are all at Larchmont, will need someone to bring them up. Pete offered to handle the trophies.
- There were no other questions.

B. New England Shields Championships: Richard Robbins provided update:

 Richard confirmed that late fee for this event would kick in on Sunday 16th July, and also that housing could be arranged for out-of-towners. Encouraged people to sign up.

Any other business

- Edgartown Nationals
 - There are some potential concerns about the timing of planned construction at Edgartown, which may impact their ability to host Nationals. Specifically, construction may start 2 weeks earlier than previously expected, though nothing was certain as yet.
 - o Board commented that onus was on Edgartown to find a solution.
 - o Ted Slee was checking to with Newport to see if they could act as a backup for 2018.
 - o Ian Smith also reaching out to Chicago to see if they would be prepared to swap years.

There was no other business raised.

The meeting concluded at 8.40 pm EST.