Governing Board Meeting

Tuesday, March 10, 2020, 8pm EDT AGENDA

Roll Call

The meeting started at 2002 EST In attendance were: Ken Deyett, President Jay Dayton, Treasurer Garth Hobson, Measurer John Gronberg, Vice-President Ted Slee, Vice-President Richard Robbins, Webmaster Mike Schwartz, Fleet Captain, Fleet 3 Ashley Hobson, Fleet Captain, Fleet 12 Paul MacKinnon, Fleet Captain, Fleet 10 Eric Anderson, Masthead Editor

President's Report - Ken Deyett

- Fleet News was moved until the end of the meeting to a lot plenty of time for the agenda items and discussion
- Masthead and e-Masthead
 - The Spring print Masthead is planned for shipping around the Memorial Day Weekend The next e-Masthead is planned for publication around the first week of April, Eric has requested any articles submitted by 3/21.
- 2022 Shields National Regatta Awarded to Newport
 Ken received a letter from the Commodore of ILYC advising of their continued interest in hosting the
 2022 Shields Nationals in Newport. The Governing Board voted unanimously to award the event to
 Fleet 9. The Nationals Planning Committee will include Shields Class President, Shields Class
 Measurer and members of the local Fleet 9 Planning Committee. Ted Slee will serve as the primary
 event POC. Dates have not yet been determined. A separate call will be arranged to discuss dates.
 Event will probably to scheduled for end of September, 2022.
- Class Dues Fleet Roster
 Class dues are due and payable by June 1st. Each fleet captain is encouraged to meet this deadline.
 Steve will circulate a fleet roster template to also validate correct contact information is updated.

Treasurer's Report - Jay Dayton

Jay announced the Treasurer's Report

INCOME: (Approximate Account Balance as of (02/10/2020)		\$10,693.69
Depo	<u>sits:</u>	None
EXPENSES: Withd	Irawals:	
Chicago Nationals Travel Allowance – \$325/ea. X 6 participants -\$ 1,950.00		
	Approximate Ending Balance:	\$ 8,743.69
Mation made by Cranbara to account the report		

Motion made by Gronberg to accept the report

Motion seconded by Schwartz Motion passed unanimously

Secretary's Report - Steve Mettler

Minutes from February meeting were distributed separately and will post to the class website as their own document.

Motion made by Garth Hobson to accept the report

Motion seconded by Mackinnon

Motion passed unanimously

Technical Committee - Garth Hobson

The Technical Committee approved the following two items at the recent meeting.

- 1. The new mast section produced by Cape Cod Ship Building around 2017 was determined to be legal and all boats currently using and who will ultimately use one of these 12 masts will deemed compliant to Shields Class Rules
- 2. The rules for mast step measurement were changed to require each fleet to certify mast step measurements for all registered boats every two years. See the class rules for specific language amendments to the old rule.

Motion made by Garth Hobson to approve Motion seconded by Gronberg Motion passed unanimously

Additional items from the Technical Committee

- The proposed (and passed unanimously by the Technical Committee) rule change relative to allowing the spinnaker pole to made from any material, shall await comments from the fleets prior to any further action being taken
- Full Batten Mainsail The class requested input from several vendors of mainsails for their comments on the performance/durability impact of allowing full batten mainsails within the class

Discussion items on Technical Committee Report

Ted Slee asked if the class could publish the individual boat measurements online, similar to our public information on sail inventory. Garth said he would check to see if this was possible. Mike Schwartz said he agreed with the new mast step measurement proposal Jay Dayton said he will check back with Fleet 21 to get their feedback and comments Ken asked that all fleets provide comments before the next meeting.

National Championship Regatta Rules Committee

Criteria for Nationals Rule VI 2.4 and VI 2.5 - Ken Deyett A proposed Rules Section VI 2.0 can be seen <u>https://shieldsclass.com/bluebook/sectionvi2.php</u> Survey results at <u>https://fleet10.shieldsclass.com/survey/results.php</u>

Richard reviewed the findings and recommendations of the National Championship Regatta Rules Committee. The recommended changes can be read by following the link to our rules pages above. Specifically, as it relates to this year's national regatta, Jay said his local committee could react to any changes and incorporate them as late as August 2020.

Ted said he prefers longer races and would not like to see a regatta decided with a single race completed.

Ken asked all VPs and fleet captains to check with their fleets and be prepared to vote next month. (a survey of class members was conducted prior to the committee meeting and the results can be found by following the link above)

Ocean Great Lakes Challenge

We need one boat from every fleet

New Business

- North Sails Seminar held in Newport will be rescheduled to a new date. The possibility of the class participating via an online meeting is being researched. The new date will be communicated once determined.
- Jay announced that Fleet 21 member, Charlie Robertson, skipper of #255, recently died. Jay requested feedback from the Governing Board on the pricing for the 2020 Nationals entry

fee of \$650, which includes meals for 4 crew members. Ken said he thought it was a little high. Jay reminded the class that the hoists in Oxford are all free of cost to the skippers. He also said he would review the cost question with his local organizing committee.

- Ted mentioned that Fleet 9 was having a new Shields hoist designed by Safe Harbor New England Boat Works. They plan to produce this and use it at the hoist at Sail Newport. They requested a contribution of class funds to help pay for the design and production. The concept of this device is to hoist the using hull slings like a typical travel lift and opposed to the lifting bar which has been the usual Shields hoisting device.
- The Kap Dun Trophy has been fully repaired.

Jay motioned to adjourn Mike seconded Motion passed unanimously

Meeting ended at 9:11 EDT.