

LSYA Annual General Meeting Minutes
November 1, 2019

Welcome and introductions

In attendance:

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1. Call to order 7:49 by Chris Wells
 - 1.1 Introductions
 - 1.2 Identification of voting privileges, 2 per Club plus the 5 board members, acknowledgement that quorum is established.

2. Approval of 2018 Minutes: Moved Bill Peterson, seconded by Scott Spaeth, carried.
Approval of 2019 Agenda: Noted that the web address on agenda was incorrect and should be lsya.net. Moved Bill Peterson, seconded by Scott Spaeth, carried.

3. Reports
 - 3.1 Secretary's report. Terry Cano. Any inquiries via email sent to me regarding LSYA NORs, SIs were forwarded accordingly. A letter was sent to LMPHRF confirming Keith Stauber as the LSYA rep. Keith confirmed that an updated letter will be needed. Minutes will be circulated as soon as possible.

 - 3.2 Treasurer's report. Mark Gross. Balance Sheet was provided at meeting. Net Equity of 4592.30. Invoices were sent out last week for the 2019 period. Some cheques had to be reissued as they were not cashed. Financial stability is projected for 2020. Motion to accept report. Moved Bill Peterson, seconded Terry Cano.

- 3.3 Ratings Report. Keith Stauber. No appeals to report for 2019. Limited publicity for 2019. The on line system has improved the application process. Regional gets boat information before rating certificates are issued. LMPHRF will be investigating the effects of fathead mains/jibs and large roach headsails on base ratings. Fees should be reduced as the on-line system expedites certificate issuing. Keith will continue as LSYA rep to LMPHRF. Secretary to issue letter to LMPHRF.
- 3.4 Website/Scoring Report Dave Herring. Credit card has been updated to facilitate website use. The background needs to be changed to fit overlaying of content. Scoring is simple using time/time for all races. Need to be certain to use the LMPHRF distance rating for scoring all events.
- 3.5 Richardson Cup Report. Scott Spaeth. Held at RCYC with 8 teams competing. Ryan Seago was the winner. 2020 will be hosted in Chicago. Six lakes were represented and 2 at large. One at large was from the West Coast. The Barthel Trophy is being updated and refurbished.
- 3.6 Trans Superior Report. Kris Henry absent. Kris has resigned from chairing the Trans Superior. There were 39 starters this year, a well run successful event. Dave Johnson will be chairing the 2021 Trans Superior Race.

4 Old Business (varies from agenda due to overlapping discussion)

- 4.1 2019 Review: 6 boats paid, down from 11 the year before. Only 3 boats raced the Duluth to Silver Bay. Need to make series more attractive to American boats. Need to send out race information by April. Need a publicity push to all clubs. David Herring to volunteer to market LSYA. All attendees are encouraged to continue to promote offshore interclub racing on Lake Superior within their home clubs.
- 4.2 International: The traditional format of race from Grand Marais to Thunder Bay has been very successful for the third year. How to attract American boats? Suggested race changes this year should increase American participation in International.
- 4.3 Scoring. Discussion of scoring races. Need 2 boats per division, if only one, it gets moved to next division. Boats not racing are scored registered entrants plus one. Boats that start and do not finish are scored entrants of that race plus one. Season overall one throw out. The 3 race "triangle" has no throw outs.
- 4.4 Class Splits. No change, suggested at 50 and under, 51-82, 83 and greater. To be adjusted at first race based on entries, prior to Around the Islands. Any multi-hulls will be a separate class. LMPHRF recommends that sport boats race in their own division.

4.5 Timelines- Need to get information out ASAP. Schedules up on Website.

5 Discussion of racing growth within each club as it pertains to attracting LSYA participants. By keeping the LSYA triangle to one week it limits the amount of time owners/crew need.

6 New Business (varies from agenda)

6.1 2020 Schedule. Known dates: Apostle Islands Race Week. June 29-July 3, 2020

6.2 Around Apostle Islands June 27, 2020

6.3 Triangle Race 1. Bayfield to Thunder Bay. August 1, 2020

6.4 Triangle Race 2. Thunder Bay to Grand Marais. August 4, 2020

6.5 Triangle Race 3. Grand Marais to Houghton. August 7, 2020

6.6 Election of Officers.

Commodore: Chris Wells

Vice Commodore:

Treasurer: Mark Gross

Secretary: Terry Cano

Scoring/Website: David Hering

Ratings/Appeals: Keith Stauber

PR: David Herring/James Gracey

Trans Superior:

Motion: That the above positions be filled as listed. Moved Scott Spaeth, seconded Bill Peterson, carried. The two vacant positions will be appointed by Commodore inquiry. Dave Herring willing to be Vice if Kris declines to continue. Trans chair Dave Johnson?

6.7 2020 LSYA AGM. Friday November 6 , 2020. 7:30 pm. Location TBA.

6.8 Awards. Chris Wells. 2019 results:

Division A Crewed: First Galatea, Papa Gaucho, Northern Harrier

Single Handed: SS George Bailey

6.9 Trophies will be handled by Chris Wells in 2020.

6.10 Other Business. Appeals still directed to US Sailing. Noted that LSYA is still recognized by US Sailing as an active organization. US Sailing meeting on November 15.

7 Meeting Adjourned 9:11. Moved Chris Wells, seconded James Gracey. Carried.