

Red Eye Yacht Club

General Membership Meeting Minutes

Friday, November 11, 2022

- I. Call to Order 7:32pm by Commodore Bob Carr**
Pledge of Allegiance

- II. Membership – PC Ken Zeisloft (Terry Edgell)**
Vote on Mike Cimino. Introduced last month. Motion to accept John c. 2nd Jerry.

- III. Approval of Minutes**
Motion to waive the reading of the minutes by Ernie 2nd Mike G. Approved
Motion to approved.

- IV. Treasurer - PC Karen Frey**
No report

- V. Corresponding Secretary – PC Cheryl Phelps**
No report

- VI. Fleet Captain – no report**

- VII. Rear Commodore – Robert Burke**
Winterization party is tomorrow. If you want to pump out, get here early. Ice eaters going in. winterizing the pump out and the water lines. Fire boxes to be ordered.

- VIII. Vice Commodore – PC Terry Edgell**
Opening 3rd of June. Theme cruising cars. Bring your classic cars on the grass area. Bands - Uncommitted Fri. the Rebels Saturday. Eastern yacht club may host our ball, so we can go by boat. Tentative. Requests to see some things get done– light coming in the front door, to make it motion light. One in the hallway too should turn off automatically. Budget to get the icemaker serviced and cleaned. Spend money on acoustics approx. \$1200. Front of the building – garden along the front of the property to also help with water flow away from the building. Permanent fire pit. Extension of the deck with a ramp w/o roof. Disabled members would benefit of the ramp esp. to get to the new bathrooms. Treasurer’s office to be moved to the larger room so they will have a view and private area with table. JJ asks about a new stove. Terry said that’s under another budget. Will present budget to the budget committee. Members would like another television. Ernie says its already approved.

- IX. Commodore – Bob Carr**
Would like to thank everyone who worked on the Halloween party, it was a great time. It takes all of us to make this club a better club. Everyone is stepping up and helping with the kitchen/bar. Katie asks about a tiki bar. Bob says you need a fundraiser.

- X. Health & Welfare – Cathy DeLorenzon – no report**

- XI. Display Case – PC Steve Rockel –**
Has a new book. Let him know if you want to order anything

XII. Entertainment/Kitchen – John Gosnell –

Thank you for the Halloween party. Costumes were amazing. Over 80 members. \$1400 at the bar. Whisker Fish, paid for by 50/50. \$10 meals. Terry's event is tomorrow. Please come support. Santa coming for Kids Christmas Party. Great party to be had. Thank you for the participation of the membership. Terry/Kathy all been pitching in. If you want to do an event let him know. Events coming up in 2023 - A pier doing Cinco de Mayo. St Patrick's day. Terry mention bull roast w/ gambling. He says he has someone who can come set it up. Terry does it for good of the club. Members thanks John for all of his enthusiasm and help with events.

XIII. Bar – Kathy Cohen/Nancy

Bar is doing great. Special requests let her know...drinks/beer. Fridays need bartenders. If you need hours let her know. Extra wine stock – might do a sangria night with tacos. Most likely in December. Possibly a football Sunday. Anything you want to do, or bar tend. Let her know. John says Kathy has been filling in for Karen.

XIV. Finance Committee – Ernie

Presentation of budget will be in December. Identical to last budget. Will keep an eye on expenses. Board of Directors will take care of. Karen away.

XV. Webmaster – PC Ken Zeisloft (www.reyc.org) – no report

XVI. Facilities – Mike Delamar

Clear out back room so they can put the duct work in the addition.

XVII. Holding Company - no report

XVIII. Board of Governors - Bob C – no report

XIX. YCM – PC Mike Gaff/Alt PC Steve Rockel -

Laurel Raceway Christmas party. Lots of fun. Flyer on the board.

XX. CBYCA – Robert Tuck/Alt PC Mike Gaff - part of YCM info

Change of watch at Baltimore YC. Middle River incoming commodore.

XXI. CCC – Jerry Selig –

Flyer posted on the board. Martin Luther King weekend. Reservations available. Bob asks about committee for 3 Cs.

XXII. By-Law Committee –

We have a bylaw in question because it has been mishandled for several years. Reading of existing bylaw. Questions came about during nominations committee looking for candidates. And candidates were not regular secondary members. So, we have two proposals. We vote on which proposal we are going to vote on. Once that proposal is voted on, we will hear about rationale about why we want to change them. Come up and get your ballot. Then we will vote to accept that bylaw change, to see if it passes with 2/3 majority of the member who are voting.

Proposal #1 submitted by Ernie. SECONDARY REGULAR MEMBERS: A secondary regular member is one who shares a joint membership with a primary regular member who has applied for membership, is at least twenty-one (21) years of age and has paid the annual membership fee.

Interpretation – This is the way it has been handled all this time.

Reasoning was when she joined, she was told everyone is equal. No favoritism. Pay the dues and 21 years of age because of the bar. John asked how much the 2nd pays? \$25. That's what they've always paid. Motion by John to accept typo as written (typo is the word "if" should be "of").

Proposal #2 by Jim Bond. SECONDARY REGULAR MEMBERS: A secondary regular member is one who is the spouse (defined as Married Partner), significant other (defined as Romantic Partner) or an Immediate Family Member (defined as Mother, Father, Son, Daughter, Brother, or Sister) of a primary regular member who has applied for membership and has paid the annual membership fee. A secondary regular member must be at least twenty-one (21) years of age.

Limits it to family members and further defines marital status and significant other. Spells out significant other, since others don't seem to know.

Select one of those two to put up for vote.

1st proposal question. Anybody can be secondary member? That's pretty much what we are doing right now. Formal members can come back and be a secondary.

Ned is asking about grandfathering. Are we going to grandfather those who are in violation? Anyone who was previously in violation should not be penalized. Ernie says they cannot be grandfathered. We sign a new lease every year, sign a new membership form every year, with new 2nd member with new membership fees. Ned asks now that we are passing the law, they have to start all over with seniority? We need to say ahead of time how we are going to implement it, before we vote on it. We need to know the rules ahead of time. Wayne says we need to explain the difference between the bylaws. Ernie says anyone who meets the qualifications of her bylaw change, which is anyone can be secondary. Jim Bonds spells out who exactly can be secondary. John says this started in 8 years ago with Kim Ryan, because we were doing whatever we wanted to have a bridge. We allowed people to go up the line for good of the club and people went up the line, the problem was we didn't think about what problems this would cause. Being here a long time gives you seniority, perks at the club, etc. so when you think that when you give up your membership, you can still have a mud slip. Bottom line is, members are scheming on hours and other member obligations by becoming secondary. Secondaries are using all the benefits of club without being full members. Says they aren't being good members. We voted in new people. The membership chair brought members in that didn't know the laws. We don't hold animosity towards the people voted in, who didn't know what the bylaws were. We assumed the membership chair was following the bylaws. Chair allowed members to join against the bylaws. We don't want them to leave, we want them to pay what they are supposed to pay/requirements ...hours.

Jerry says he loves John. Every membership is required to do 50 hrs. between both members. Lots of members who do significantly more hours than 50. Every member is supposed to buy a ball ticket. We haven't lost anything by doing things the way we have been doing them. Things are getting done. Profits are good. We should not be throwing people out. These are people who have been doing a lot of things over the years and are now trimming back. Secondary member is someone the primary member brings in, if they aren't doing anything, we need to look at that. Members in good standing can vote tonight. Lists those items you are required to do. Bylaw was mishandled probably for financial reasons, to keep us with a bridge, what he thought was proper to do. We have a seniority member who has a boat that doesn't move. Secondary member who is bridge officer. It's the clubs' officers' issue, if the job isn't being done properly.

Sean Cassidy asks that we can vote someone in that wants to be in. we sign new agreements and pay new every year. So, no grandfathering.

Primary member without a slip approx. \$500 secondary is \$25. Secondary comes in on someone else's membership and does whatever they want.

Bob c says people think they are going to get a mud slip, but it is up to the bylaw committee.
Terry C – new people came in and we voted on them. Shouldn't we be allowed to vote if a member wants to change their secondary? When we come here, we vote on those people. If you're going to change your secondary, we should have a right to vote on that. It's not a different bylaw. Jeanie says the bylaw states the different circumstances as to which you can change your secondary. When you join as the joint member you are supposed to bring it at the time of application. There's nothing that says you can just do that any time.
Wayne – the original bylaw is talking about significant other; his secondary would be his daughter. It's not fair if one of these don't pass. Says we need to vote to keep it from board interpretation.

Vote taken by private ballot and counted/witnessed. Proposal #1 – 8 votes. Proposal #2 – 36
We are voting on #2 majority vote, in second vote.
Motion to accept by jeff. 2nd by JJ.

Discussion on proposal on #2. Significant other as defined in the bylaw change.
New member says he has a partner who owns the boat with him. How does that work out? John says it should never had been voted on. Membership chair took liberties against our bylaws.
Bob says that's why he felt we should have started fresh from this day forward. Then these guys can't stay here. John says they're really nice people and should have been told upfront how the bylaws were. If Bob doesn't believe the bylaws are right, he should step down. Stop blaming everyone else. They were lied to. We don't want them to leave. There will only be one primary member. Members wife asks about hours. She would have to be made the secondary. They are great members. We don't want you to leave.
Cheryl wants to know where that leaves her. John says you have to pay \$350. Jeff Schlegel doesn't pay for or do hours. Everyone else pays. Everyone here does 50 hours or pays. We appreciate what you do but we can't keep letting members do what they do, when it is against the bylaws. Dave Cohen asks about what the vote was. 8 to 36. Mark is looking at the bylaws for someone like Cheryl section 5 page 9 fees are subject to change, it has to be taken to the board for hardship. Jerry says we've done it in the past to do a payment plan.

2nd vote taken to approve the Bylaw change. Counted/witnessed. Votes for the Bylaw -36. Votes against – 8.
Motion passes!! For bylaw change #2

XXIII. Old Business –

Terry says Ernie said we voted on the tv, but we didn't. Pokey was supposed to bring the costs back to the membership. Terry put \$1800 in his budget for the tv. We need a 75" to fit the tv. Motion for \$1200 for tv by Jerry. 2nd by Wayne. Motion passes.

XXIV. New Business –

Dave C. asks what budget do we need to do to get the new stove? Kitchen needs to put in the budget. Each committee puts the budget in to the board. JJ asks why we don't vote on it. It's a safety issue. Motion to replace the stove by Aimee. 2nd by Dave. Jerry says to table it until next month because of treasures report. Jerry says to turn it off when it's not in use. 3 of the burners only work. There's a gas leak somewhere. The pilots keep going out. The gas stays on. We need numbers on the stove. Jeff P. says put a timer on the gas valve. Discussion about the stove. When has the stove been serviced? Ernie says we can't give an honest budget, because of timing. Kitchen falls under grounds and building. We need to find the money to fix things in the kitchen. She doesn't want them to increase the slip fees.
Jeff M says if Jeff P. puts the timer on, it should help fix the gas line leak and it will help with the safety issue. Someone mentions the cost of a new stove. Another member asks about getting the stove serviced. Table it until next month. Everyone be cautious and stop leaving the gas on. Jeff P. says that the turn off will help

with the safety issue. We need a motion for the service of the stove. Motion by Dave. Second by Jerry.
Passes.

XXV. Good of the Club –

Bring toys for the kids at the Christmas party. Kids Christmas party is December 10th. Keep the cost of toys for the kids at \$20.

Pot Luck after December General Meeting.

Mike \$150 left on his chits. Drinks on him.

XXVI. Elections – no report

XXVII. Adjournment

Motioned by mike G second by everyone.

Commodore Bob adjourned the meeting at 9:11 pm

Minutes submitted by: Recording Secretary Aimee Mitchell