



CLUB 420 ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING Minutes

April 24, 2023

Via Zoom

Attendees: John Morgan, Scott Norman, Dan Bornarth, George Yioulos, Bub Kovacs, Rob Simmons, Jeff Progelhof, Kyle Assad, Justin Assad, Rusty Dean, Chris Hemans, Paul Callahan, and Kieran O'Connell

The meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by John Morgan.

A vote was held to approve the minutes of the past meeting – the minutes were approved unanimously by a voice vote.

John Morgan welcomed the attendees and proceeded to the agenda of the meeting.

The Board by unanimous voice vote accepted the resignation of Steve Perry as a builder director and thanked him for his many years of service to the class.

A motion was made by Bub Kovacs and duly seconded by John Morgan to elect George Yioulos to the vacant Board position of Builder Director vacated by Mr. Perry for the remainder of the one-year term. The motion was duly voted and Mr. Yioulos was unanimously elected to the position.

Mr. Morgan discussed the status of class finances – which looked as expected and in line with the budget.

Mr. Norman then briefed the Board on updates from the class including an update on 2023 regattas as follows.

- Membership is currently at 805 active members. Averaging 2-3 members per week
- Recently
- Many of our events are capped on participation lower than we would have liked. Most notably Chicago for Nationals at 100 and Sail Newport at 135. Mr. Norman is working with both OAs to expand the limits. The Board asked the Executive Director to provide a Notice to Parents to help with the Entry Process: “Notify all that Membership needs to be in place through the event you are registering for, not just active during registration.” Kieran O'Connell made the recommendation to



have a discussion with Clubspot regarding the ability for families to pre-register, like a zero dollar registration so new Parents can populated their information so they can register for an event more efficiently when the event registration becomes live.

We are still waiting for confirmation on the last 3 regional events.

REGATTA PLANNING:

- New Englands - Shelter Island YC - June 25-27, 2023
- US Nationals - Chicago - CYC - July 6-9, 2023
- Womens North American's - Brant Beach NJ - July 12-14, 2023
- North Americans - Sail Newport
- Atlantic Coast Championship - American Yacht Club
- South Shore Championships
- Contacts to Canadian Nationals, at Port Credit - Canadian Nationals are slated for the next 3 years at Port Credit with sanctioning fee years 2 and 3. The Board by voice vote approved \$200 toward a Canadian National Trophy.

TRIPLE CROWN:

- Will use scores from top three events and include regionals at 50% point value events include:
 - Midwinter Championship
 - New England Championship – regional at 50%
 - US National Championship
 - North American Championship
 - South Shore Championship
 - Canadian National Championship – regional at 50%

Justin Assad recommendation that we add the Woman's Championship to the Triple Crown and Kyle Assad recommended that we add Woman's Team Racing. The Board decided that further evaluation needs to be held so as to not disadvantage other groups of sailors

Mr Norman then updated the Board on Ms Marks activities as follows:

Scheduled Clinics

- West River Sailing Club, Maryland - June 16-18. June 16 coaches day. June 17-18 C420 clinic
- Port Credit Yacht Club, Canada - June 28-30. June 28 coaches day. June 29-30 C420 clinic
- American Yacht Club, New York - July 15-16

Clinics with contracts sent

- South Shore Clinic, Sayville Yacht Club, New York - August 1-2
- Cabrillo Beach Yacht Club, California - August 26-27
- Palm Beach Sailing Club, Florida - September 9-10



Potential Clinics

- PCC Clinic, Richmond Yacht Club, California
- Hobcaw Yacht Club Clinic, South Carolina - Late August/Early September
- Beverly Yacht Club, Massachusetts

Planning to starting direct emailing area clubs about the clinics with the flyers and registration info.

Mr Bornarth then led the Board through a discussion on sail availability from North and 200 Mains and Jibs are constructed on past material and we can expect sails made with the new material as early as July 2023. That North will endeavor to deliver all new sails after this point with the new cloth. Laser Performance has indicated that they will go into production August 2023.

Mr Morgan then advised the Board that Chris D'Orsi had sent an email formally asking the Board to consider a new class of membership that would allow expedited event registration and prepayment of all entry fees. After lengthy discussion the Board decided unanimously that this proposal will not be adopted by the class for the following reasons:

- The class is dedicated to open and fair racing for all its members, not just a subset of the top racers;
- This would significantly disadvantage those who would only register for one or two events;
- This would place an undue burden on some members - \$1750 in one load is a lot of money for some members, less so to others.

Mr. Morgan advised the Board that the Annual General meeting needs to be during North Americans if possible and by unanimous vote the Board voted to hold the Annual General Meeting with a Board meeting to follow on July 25th directly after racing at 5pm at Sail Newport.

Upon motion duly made the meeting was adjourned at 9:10pm.