

**Sarasota Bay Yachting Association  
Board Meeting  
Sarasota Sailing Squadron  
November 4, 2019**

Chairperson Peter Robinson called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Present: Mike Halliday (SSS), Dave Powell (BKYC/SYC), Peter Robinson (at large), John Lynch (VSS), Bob Eppinger (VYC), Charles Mixson (WFLPHRF), Al Gaston (VSS), Gene Miller (VSS), Bill Gately (VYC)

Motion by Dave, approved by all to approve the minutes of the last meeting.

Treasurer: Our bank was to be changed to avoid fees. Peter called Vicken who reported that the bank changed the account status and we no longer pay fees. The balance is now \$292 but will be \$47 after Vicken is reimbursed for some expenses he has paid.

Sarasota Bay Boat of the Year:

- Bradenton Kick-off – participation was down slightly from prior year, no Sarasota boats participated, a bit windy but basically a good regatta.
- SYC Invitational – including juniors a total of 143 boats in 13 classes on 4 courses, some unfortunate confusion on results but subsequently fixed, weather cooperated.
- Windjammer – on track, unlike last year it will not benefit charity as money is needed to replace marks and ground tackle.
- Sharks Tooth – will be held to benefit Venice Youth Sailing, specifically to provide scholarships to under-privileged children.

BOTY Scoring

- Motion by Mike, second by Dave and unanimous to score boats without a current PHRF certificate for BOTY as long as they obtain a current certificate before the end of series
- Mike asked Charles to find out what other areas do in this regard.

WFLPHRF

- Change in Cruiser to not require anchors to be on the bow as long as they are readily available.

Old Business

- Our request to WFLPHRF for funding assistance was turned down

New Business

- Discussion of whether SBYA needs money, agreed we need a better understanding of what we spend or should spend it on.
- Discussion of how SBYA can raise its profile
  - Suggestion of a separate SBYA trophy at major regattas
  - Would regatta organizer fund? Could skippers vote on it?

The next meeting of the BOD is scheduled for Monday March 9 at SSS beginning at 6:00 PM. This was subsequently changed to Monday March 16 at SSS beginning at 6:00 PM because of a conflict with other meetings at SSS.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:33 PM.

Submitted: Dave Powell, Secretary