

FAIRHOPE YACHT CLUB
Minutes of
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
Meeting on September 6, 2017

Board Members Present: Ellis Ollinger, Michael Amos, Martha Payne, Ray French, Joe McIntosh, and Raymond Long

Board Members Absent: John Adams

Ex-officio Members: Commodore Randy Fitz-Wainwright, Vice-Commodore Chris Dabney

Others: Treasurer Brian Snider, Secretary Bill Meck

Guests: Jacob Merritt, Pat Colvin, Kay Robberson

A REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING of the Board of Governors of the Fairhope Yacht Club was called to order at 6:07 PM on September 6, 2017, in the Jubilee Room of the Clubhouse. Chairman **Ellis Ollinger** confirmed that a **quorum** was present. **Minutes** from the July 31, 2017, meeting, which had been distributed previously to Board members by email, were approved by a unanimous vote, subject to the deletion of one paragraph.

AGENDA

Purchase of Boat Trailer. A motion was made and seconded that Fairhope Yacht Club purchase a **multi-boat trailer** for **\$3,000** for hauling boats to juniors and high school regional sailing events, paying \$1500 of the cost from the Juniors Sailing checking account and \$1500 from the Fairhope H.S. Sailing Team checking account. The motion was voted on and adopted.

Boat Lift Repairs. Confirming its action decided in the prior month through email communications led by the Chairman, the Board voted unanimously to ratify its prior authorization for the Commodore to contract for **repairs to four boat lifts** at Pier "A" for a total cost of \$5,300.

Restaurant Management. Chef **Jacob Merritt** said he continues to revise standards and practices in the kitchen. He reported that he does not need to buy another walk-in cooler, as proposed prior to his employment. Instead, he needs to buy a **walk-in food warmer** for storage of prepared foods. Also, he confirmed the Board’s understanding that the computer system used in the kitchen and dining room is outdated, neglected by the vendor that is supposed to maintain it, and needs to be replaced. Finally, Jacob promised that the food and beverage offerings for the **Wadewitz Regatta** will be diverse and plentiful.

Harbor Dredging. Chairman **Ellis Ollinger** reported that FYC’s application for dredging the harbor’s main-channel has been **filed** with the U.S Corps of Engineers and that the opportunity for **public comment** will soon be advertised.

Treasurer's Report. Treasurer **Brian Snider** reported on the Club’s financial condition as of July 31, 2017, providing Board members copies of the Balance Sheet, Income & Expense Statement and subsidiary schedules (5 pages). On the “minus” side, he reported that revenue from **lounge and restaurant** operations was below budget through the end of July (but trending upward since then); on the “plus” side, **utility, tax and payroll** costs were below the amounts budgeted, and entrance fees are above the amount budgeted. Overall, year-to-date **operating results were within budget**. On a motion made and seconded, the Board voted unanimously to approve Brian’s report.

COMMODORE'S REPORT

Randy Fitz-Wainwright reported that:

1. Design planning continues for a **fence** that FYC’s liability insurer recommended for enclosing the **playground**. Long term land-use and safety concerns suggest that, before building the fence, FYC might consider **other possible sites** for the playground on FYC’s property. Also, this task will be expanded to include getting bids for **a fence around the baby pool** area at the swimming pool.
2. The **lawsuit** filed against FYC by member Philip Speir has been **dismissed** by the Baldwin County District Court.

3. Grounds maintenance is targeted for improvement; specifically, **trash cans** at the swimming pool will be emptied more frequently and **overgrown vegetation** around the boat barn will be pruned or eradicated more frequently.

UPON MOTION MADE, seconded, and adopted, the meeting was adjourned at 7:07 PM.

Submitted by:
Bill Meck
Secretary