



**Annual Membership Meeting
Saturday, September 2, 2017 4:00 pm
Lake Geneva Yacht Club
Meeting Minutes**

4:05PM – Call to Order

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the Spring Annual Membership meeting of Saturday, May 27, 2017 was made by John Simms and was seconded David Williams. The motion was approved.

Officer's Reports

Commodore – Rodney Rieger

It has been an honor to be your Commodore for the last two years. It's been a delight to work with our Staff, our officers and board members. The wonderful work by our Race Committee and PROs has helped us maintain our sailing program. We are looking to our future including refurbishing the GLSS Sonars so we can introduce our Associate members to our sailing program.

Vice Commodore – John DeCarlo

I would like to thank all those who participated in the planting of the rain garden. Over 30 members volunteered and we planted over 2000 native plants. The first night all the plants were under a foot of water and fortunately all survived. A special thanks to Peter and Mary King for their assistance. Don Holst and I walked the property to determine our landscape needs moving forward. We have one dead new tree by the road that will be replaced and a large dead tree on the lot line that will need removal. The plantings at the entrance do need some attention and we will be doing some additional planting in those beds.

I have asked Michael Moore to come up with a too do list of repairs and cleaning of the club. If you have any particular issues that need to be addressed please let me know. There are a number of items that we can consider inside and around the facility. I would like to at the least have a wish list of items: heating and air conditioning for closed porch, flooring for porch to reduce noise, make the lower porch area more useful to sailing school and club and still a nice space for social events. Begin discussion on the future of the storage buildings. This should be done in conjunction with any GLSS plans for building #4.

We have had a number of executive chefs leave in the last year but we have remained operational. I feel we have a commitment as a board to all our members to try to improve the service and the quality of our food. Michael and Chris have kept us operational in the last few weeks but we do need to rehire a chef. Bill and I have had a good meeting with Rob Tschurtz and we are coming up with a plan. There has been a suggestion to go to a quality sous chef that operates under the control of the restaurant



manager and the general manager. I will be asking the food committee to formulate some guide lines for reservations and restaurant utilization. One of our biggest problems is handling the volume of members that desire to eat at the same time on Tuesday and Friday. The buffet on Friday has helped this but the quality of the buffet needs improvement and some variety. Chuck Lamphere and I have a deadline for the purchase of a new PSO system. There has been changes in the support available to our Aloha system and we would like to update to a system that is more robust and meets our needs. This was a budget item but we have delayed purchase until the end of 2017. I still feel we have the best restaurant location that should be able to surpass the food quality of most area restaurant.

Rear Commodore – Bill Barrett

This summer our sailing has been fairly successful. We have had some spectacular events including the Inlands. The programs keep rolling and we have the Melges 24 Regatta. We are also very excited to host the Lake Forest Halloween Regatta with Lasers, 420s and Optimist. We are expecting over 100 boats. Flagship II has been running great. Boat II has had some engine troubles but it is working now. The US Sailing Olympic Development program is September 21-23 and 19 sailors have been selected. We will be hosting a party for Bill Bentsen on September 24 honoring his induction into the National Sailing Hall of Fame.

Secretary – Kristin Gannon

Thanks to Michael Moore, we changed the format of the yearbook to a spiral so hopefully the covers are staying on. We were also able to add some color photos.

Treasurer – Chuck Lamphere

Through July 31 the Club has had \$80k in earnings. We are in strong financial position. We have \$208k in the bank. We have reduced our debit to \$1.244M. Our earnings are a result of cost containment and Membership is up. Our challenges next year will be the absences of the Inlands, which usually garners \$25k and more. Membership may start to slow down since we won't be the new kid on the block. We plan to implement a new Point of Sale system, which would

Motion to approve Officer's reports by John Simms and seconded by Ray Wiltgen.
Motion passed

GLSS Report – Dan Davies

It's been a terrific year. We had a transition in Executive Directors and we brought on board Marek Valasek. We finished financially in very strong financial shape. We are up in number of participants compared to prior years. GLSS is in very good financial shape not just this year but going forward. We want to extend the thank you for the contribution



to the GLSS through the Opt-in program. Our kids did very well this sailing season. We are looking to expand the Fall and Spring sailing programs. We are looking to reinvigorate the Winter program also. High school sailing includes match racing, which has been gaining in popularity, and the Sonars is seen as the boat that's being sailed. Our annual meeting is tomorrow at 4pm and you are all welcome to come.

Fleet Captain – Steve Boho

No report

Membership – Diane Brassel

As of the end July we have 335 total members. Added 31 new members to the Club. Thank members of the membership committee, FJ Frazier, Kristin Gannon, Robert Youngquist and Rod Rieger.

Unfinished Business

No unfinished business

New Business

No new business

Election of Officers and Directors

Nominating Committee – John Zils, Chairman. John Simms and Tom Freytag.

Proposed Slate of Directors and Officers

Officers - One-year term

Commodore – William Barrett

Vice Commodore – John DeCarlo

Rear Commodore – Thomas Freytag

Treasurer – Charles Lamphere

Secretary – Kristin Gannon

Directors - Three-year term expiring 2020

Jordan Gray

Raymond Wiltgen

Erick Youngquist

Retiring Board Members

Diane Brassel

Thomas Larimer

Michael Lynch



A motion to close nominations was made by Dave Williams and seconded by John Simms. The Motion passed.

A motion to accept the slate was made by John Simms and seconded by David Williams. The motion to pass the slate was accepted.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made by Bill Bentsen and seconded by Robert Youngquist. The motion was approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristin Gannon
Secretary