

MSC AGM Meeting Minutes

Date: Feb. 27, 2021

Attendance: Meeting was conducted via a Zoom Webinar video conference due to the COVID-19 isolation requirement.

Executive: Neil Trevail (Treasurer); Mike Schmidt (Membership); Dave Haight (Facilities Officer); Anne Pugh (Sailing); David Black (Communications); Deirdre Mallehe (Social); Gary McIlroy (Commodore); Dave Tebbit (Secretary).

Other: Angelo Petrolito (Nominations)

10:00 AM - Meeting Called to Order: Gary McIlroy, Commodore.

1. Confirmation of Quorum: 20% of membership confirmed by Mike Schmidt (46 Senior, 1 Honourary, 2 Crew, 1 Junior).

- 2. Conflict of Interest: Confirmed by Executive.
- 3. Approval of Previous AGM Minutes. Moved by Dave Tebbit. Seconded by Dave Haight. All in Favour: Unanimous.

4. Commodore's Report: Gary McIlroy

COVID

- Not a lot has changed. We should be able to sail, but social distancing, face masks and hand sanitizing will be important part of club routine.
- City guidelines will be communicated when available.

Launch Ramps

- Expect to see same demand on the ramps. We expect the City to be better at monitoring and handling situations.

Club Strengths

- Members going above and beyond to create a great sailing/social experience.
- Members who are world class and renowned are sharing their expertise and of course our environment.

Club Weaknesses

- It takes twice as many hours to run the club than the minimum allotment.
- We still rely heavily on a small percentage of members to contribute excessive time and effort. Attracting new and younger members.
- Size of our yard and accessibility to the Club for disabled members.

Opportunities

- Partnering with PCYC to establish an effective training strategy and luring potential dingy-class members to MSC.
- More awareness in City of Mississauga on MSC's offering.
- Automation and tooling that are reducing our volunteering effort.
- Local residential development may increase awareness to sailing.

Threats

- Full cost of ownership for boat and membership fees and volunteering commitment.
- Growing popularity of shared launch ramp and COVID.

Moving Forward to 2021 Season

- More awareness of Vision, Values and Mission.
- We must be cognizant of City of Mississauga's Respectful Workplace.
- Gary reviewed the executive's view on these items.

Past Season Accomplishments

- Treasurer automated accounting system and member database.
- Facilities Officer managed large committees tending to facility and compound upgrades / maintenance.
- Race Officer managed to keep some informal racing going during COVID.
- Communications Officer excelled in club communications and coordinating website updates.
- Social Officer had great plans for social gatherings but was unable to proceed due to COVID.
- Secretary digitized documents for off site archives, put together virtual AGM and developed a personal handicap system for racing.
- Membership Officer in tandem with Mike Loo remarkably brought in 10 new members during the COVID crisis and with limited use of our facilities.
- Webmaster, Karen Ann Xavier, worked extremely hard with the executive with updates to our website.

Past Commodore

- As Past Commodore, Gary will be helping the new Commodore any way he can while working on developing committees and volunteer hour recording with Angelo Petrolito.
- Gary expressed his extreme gratitude for this Executive and everything they have done. They are a great group of people and friends.

5. Treasurer's Report: Neil Trevail

Mission

- Provide timely transparency on the financial health of the club to executives and other senior members in order to facilitate effective decision making.
- Ensure swift and effective account processing under a controlled environment.
- Ensure effective liquidity management.
- Maintain effective financial inventory of assets.
- Manage reserve fund.

Strategic Objectives

- Reduce manual effort.
- Expense processing.
- Fee Collections.
- Budget Planning.
- Financial Reporting.
- Reconciliations.
- Tax Reporting.
- Promote convenient and safe mechanism for members to pay electronically.
- Eliminate single-subject-matter-expertise.

Last Year's Successes

- Integrated Plan functionality into QuickBooks On-Line.
- Fully automated fee collections.

Next Year's Planned Actions

- Acquire volunteer assistant(s).
- Refine process documentation.
- Cross train back-up / successor.

Power Point display and review of the Club audited financial statements

- slides attached.

Motion to Approve Financial Statements for the fiscal year ending October 31, 2020

- Moved by Neil Trevail. Second by Mike Schmidt. All in Favour: Unanimous.

Motion to appoint Hufton Valvano Grover Philipp LLP. as the auditor for Mississauga Sailing Club for the fiscal year ending October 31, 2021

- Moved by Neil Trevail. Second by Mike Schmidt. All in Favour: YES – 41, NO - 1.

Motion to approve 2021 Fiscal Budget

- Moved by Neil Trevail. Second by Mike Schmidt. All in Favour: Unanimous.

Questions

Q: Can members get the meeting slide report after the meeting? A: Yes.

Q: What is BOOM program.

A: It is the Ontario Sailing program to teach sailing to adults and youth. We pay for the program and charge a fee. We do not try to profit from it but see it as an opportunity to bring sailing to the community and gain exposure of our club.

6. Constitution and Bylaw Amendments (detailed in attached slides): Gary McIlroy

Proposed Constitution and Bylaw Amendment #1 - 2.01 Board of Directors.

- Gary made motion to approve the additional position of "Assistant Facilities Officer" to section 2.01 Board of Directors.
- Moved by Dave Tebbit. Seconded Dave Haight. All in Favour: Unanimous.

Proposed Constitution and Bylaw Amendment #2 - 3.08 Facilities Officer.

- Gary made motion to approve the position & responsibility description of "Assistant Facilities Officer" to section 3.08 Facilities Officer
- Moved by Dave Haight. Seconded Anne Pugh. All in Favour: Unanimous.

Proposed Constitution and Bylaw Amendment #3 - 6.07 Application for Membership.

- Gary made motion to approve the update to the Mississauga resident requirement from 80% to 60% as detailed in section 6.07 Application for Membership.
- Moved by Mike Schmidt. Seconded Neil Trevail. All in Favour: YES 42, NO 1.

Proposed Constitution and Bylaw Amendment #4 - Article 3 -Policy and Rules Regarding Storage Compound.

- Gary made motion to approve the change from "Facilities Officer" to "Membership and Facilities Officer" in Section 1 and the addition of a section (8) defining what is permitted in a storage space.
- Moved by Dave Haight. Seconded Mike Schmidt. All in Favour: YES 37, NO 7.

Proposed Constitution and Bylaw Amendment #5 - Article 4 -Club Safety.

- Gary made motion to approve the following updates:
 - 1. Responsible safety regulator from Coast Guard Canada to Transport Canada (section 2).
 - 2. Required safety lighting (section 3g).
 - 3. Removal of minimum 8 metre painter (section 3i).
- Moved by Anne Pugh. Seconded Dave Black. All in Favour: Unanimous.

7. Membership Officer Report: Mike Schmidt

Role

- Grow and maintain membership.
- Boat / bay allocations in compound.
- Communicate any issues that arise with members.

Last 8 Months

- Onboarded 13 members.
- Streamlined application and approval process.
- Thanked Mike Loo for his support as an informal assistant.
- Off season membership enquiries surprisingly active.

Yard

- Getting full. Next season goal is to find more space. Will work with Facilities on this.
- Currently approximately 5 vacant spaces. This will increase due to member resignations.
- Expect to reach near capacity by spring.

Initiatives

- Volunteer hour opportunities for club ambassadors. Show interested parties around the club and answer questions.
- Q: Could you name new members so we can cheers them?

A: Ali Al Wafi; Derry Bunting; Nick Mehta; Alex Batek; Dawn Allaby; David Hood; Mark Bruni; Andy Warwick; Moaz Tasabehji; Alejandro Cespedes; Greg Van De Mosselaer.

Q: Dry storage location and dimensions

A: Total spaces - 90. Dimensions 52 – 8' wide and 38 – 10' wide. Allocated spaces – 85.

8. Facilities Officer Report: Dave Haight

General

- Despite the clubhouse reno's, 75-80% of projects completed.
- COVID caused plans to be delayed due to reduced work hour adjustment.
- Dave thanked all the members that went way beyond their required hours.
- The City repaired the upper deck guard rail.
- The City painted pavement marking just outside the compound indicating MSC use only.

Projects

- New dock flipper system will save time and increase safety. Thanks to Ross Thompson and John Elsebroek!
- Racoon gate installed at entrance to top deck.
- Completed asphalt crack repairs in compound should keep weed growth under control for few years.

Other

- Reviewed Assistant Facilities Officer Position.
- Kitchen cupboard upgrade scheduled.
- Building signage being planned.
- Planning a ground level patio at rear of clubhouse.
- Encouraged members to volunteer for projects early.

9. Sailing Officer Report: Anne Pugh

Racing

- In spite of the COVID impact, we were able to get 22 races in. No regattas.
- A new personal handicap system was implemented this year. This will be used in addition to the Portsmouth system.
- BOOM sailing instruction program was cancelled this past season. Ontario Sailing will not be offering the program, at least in its current format.
- The club is looking at other learning opportunities.
- The club is investigating acquiring boats for club use.

Sailing Calendar

- We still do not know what we will be facing as far as COVID sailing restrictions go.
- A calendar will be issued so people can volunteer for race duty.
- There will be no regattas scheduled.
- Anne would like to get some training sessions scheduled.
- Thanked all the volunteers involved in the sailing program.
- Anne recognized the support Matt Cooper gave to the club over the years. Matt passed away in October 2020. He will be very much missed!
- Looking for committee volunteers.

10. Communications Officer Report: David Black

Role

- Communicating to members what the executive are saying.
- 2020 was a challenging year.
- Website and social media are big part of communications channel. Thanks to Karen Ann for all of her support.
- PCYC's Winter Speaker Series attendance (virtual) was extended to MSC members.
- Looking for volunteers to support / enhance our communications efforts.

11. Social Officer's Report: Deirdre Mallehe

- COVID prevented any events this past season.
- Hopefully the 2021 season will allow for social events.
- Invited ideas for social gatherings from members.

12. Secretary's Report: Dave Tebbit

- Main task was to maintain corporate records which included AGM and executive minutes, as well as bylaws both in digital and hard copy formats.
- Also, to assist in communications with the City. Updating our constitution / bylaws is a work in progress.
- This year presented a new challenge on how to conduct our virtual AGM.
- After some research and attending other virtual AGM's we came up with what we hope turns out to be a successful virtual AGM.

13. Ratification of Business: Gary McIlroy

- Gary McIlroy asked for ratification.
- Moved by Dave Tebbit. Seconded Mike Schmidt. All in Favour: Unanimous.

14. New Business: Gary McIlroy

Gary asked attendees to 'Raise Hand' if they would like to speak.

- Nothing requested.

15. Nominations: Angelo Petrolito (Nominating Committee)

Positions Up for Election

- Assistant Facilities Officer (2 years)
- Facilities Officer (2 years)
- Membership Officer (2 years)
- Secretary (2 years)
- Treasurer (2 years)
- Commodore (1 year)

Assistant Facilities Officer

- Nominees: Todd Cordery and Craig Nogas
- Elected: Todd Cordery

Facilities Officer

- Nominees: Dave Haight
- Elected: Dave Haight

Membership Officer

- Nominees: David Black
- Elected: David Black

Secretary

- Nominees: Nicolas Liebel
- Elected: Nicolas Liebel

Treasurer

- Nominees: Neil Trevail
- Elected: Neil Trevail

Commodore

- Nominees: Dave Tebbit
- Elected: Dave Tebbit

11:56 AM Adjournment: Moved by Dave Haight. Seconded by Dave Black. All in Favour: Unanimous.