

Minutes of AGM 29er August 7, 2023 4:30

In attendance: 25-30 people in the room plus 9 online

We have coaches and parents involved with the meeting

We have quorum to proceed with the meeting.

Suggestions for the next meeting:

Snacks, raffle prizes

Welcome from Ruby Patrickson to the AGM.

Due to Covid, the class went through a downturn as double handed sailing was not available to be sailed.

Ruby took us through: 1) Constitution; 2) Executive; 3) Ideas for next year:

We went through the official agenda:

Minutes from the previous meeting: They have not been able to be found as such, they do not exist at this time –

Motion made: Val Gillis to move forward without the minutes from the previous class meeting.

Seconded: Tim Otten

Voted: In favour – No opposed

Vision

We as a class are here from you with our mission and key focus. We work with all the international, national and regional calendars to move the best possible positioning we can as a class.

North Americans is Orange Bowl – North Americans '23 – this was completed through the conversations between the 29er class in the US and here.

We are affiliated with Wind Athletes which opens doors for grants

Re-engage with Sail Canada and starting to understand the HP pipeline and that 29er is a key fork in the road and they have included us with IAP, Help with Worlds, YOTS and Skiff coaching development.

We are looking at the different models for this class across the country.

Provincial Authorities: putting together squads on Provincial levels – is this a model for all provinces – questions to be discussed across the country

Year in Review

Went through what has happened already this year – Q1, Q2, Q3, and Q4

Sponsorships to the class and we have a structure now, website and social media

Membership numbers for people - Regional Reps

There is much thought to what clinics and seminars are or can be available moving forward this year.

50 people have memberships, and this is surpassed what we had hoped for this year which is wonderful!

Open – mixed teams and all get recognized. Average age is 16 and we are recovering!

We are balanced in numbers across the country – which is good for the class.

The US teams are also in recovery from covid numbers and there are new 29ers coming up the line. Canada's numbers - we are doing very well when we think about population comparison numbers.

The social posts – like follow share and this is your class and please contribute – if you have photos please send to the class email address and they can be posted.

Almost all of our expenses have gone to the awards at this time and now that have a bit more. Next year the expense will not be so much as this year because there was so much to do.

Treasurer:

We have gone from 0 dollars and to now having \$1600+ in the acct

Regional Rep West:

Brianna

Rely on the West Coast to sail with at this time - working well.

Shared the slide information from their area

Regional Rep: East

Ontario – Jillian

Shared the slide

Regional Rep: Atlantic:

NS - Kate

Skiff Squad and they started training on Easter Week BC team and they joined us in St. Margaret's Bay and more boats than expected which is wonderful!

NS 1, 2, 3 at nationals and first Females to win the belt

Looking for opportunities to grow into the other provinces

Nationals:

As part of the constitution we are to receive bids for nationals by September 1, 2023.

Motion made by Ruby to make the request for the championships to be at CORK '24

Second: Jill Amery

Thirds: Stephen Waldie

Moved and accepted: by membership

It was discussed that it is the hope to have the 49fx and 49er and our class together – which is traditionally what has happened because then our 29er kids can see the bigger boats and there can be cross discussions between the skiff classes.

Clarified that By September 1, 2023 for a club to make a bid.

Executive Motions:

Nominations from the floor to add to the slate: No nominations at this time

Questions of who to rotate and then go to split – is it maxed out at 4 years two terms

Majority vote as presented:

Seconded: Kate Theiren

Approved as posted

Fees:

Vote to increased in \$75 and we only had 2 or 3 members and couldn't afford the trophies.

We would not like to raise.

Motion: Ruby requesting the fee to remain at \$75

Seconder: Stephen Waldie

None opposed – passed

Multiplier discount – on the website please send an email for this possibility. This is if there are two people from the same family.

Table: Membership Approve the changes to the constitution:

Secunder: Tara Macauley

None Opposed

Passed

Next year:

Calendar to get better

Membership – would love to get to 40 and 30 at Nationals

Benchmark and what works best across the regions that the class is functions, club support, skiff squads and promote the class to the organizing authorities

Develop coaches

Look for merch/swag/

Question asked about going to the Open Worlds anyone eligible for people to go – with a coach and other support. If we grow over the 5/6 boats Sail Canada may send another coach

What do people want to see:

Class Association: to compete in the US – not a member

Trying to maybe thinking about a green initiative in the oceans that we have

Motion to end the meeting:

Seconded: Stephen Waldie

All in favour – none opposed - passed