

National C Scow Sailing Association

From the Annual NCSSA Meeting June 14, 2008 at Lake Geneva, WI

President Augie Barkow opened the annual meeting at 2:02 PM held at the Lake Geneva Yacht Club, in Lake Geneva, WI. Those in attendance were President Barkow, Vice President Brian Brickler, Secretary Chris Martin, Directors Jim Tews and Mark Hetzler. Proxies were presented for absent board members Jeff Annis and Jim Peterson. A quorum of the board was present.

Elections

Upon a proposal by President Barkow, Brian Bickler was elected President, Tim Krech as Vice President, Chris Andert as Treasurer, there being no other nominations from the floor. The votes for all positions were unanimous.

Need for new PRO

Barkow noted that long time PRO Sandy Sundberg had retired and that it was in the fleet's best interest to have the new one that was experienced with C fleets. He asked for recommendations as soon as possible. Additionally he recommended that the organization have a small token of the fleet's appreciation for the years of hard work he had put in for our Nationals.

Scheduling of future Nationals

There was an involved discussion over the venue for future Nationals. While there was some initial rhetoric about moving the date from its usual June time to some other, it became apparent to the membership present that any change would collide with some other planned regatta and it would be best to leave it where it is.

The 2009 Nationals would be returning to Pewaukee, WI. Chautauqua, NY had put in a bid for the 2010 Nationals along with Maxinkuckee, IN. Maxinkuckee subsequently withdrew their bid. It was then suggested that Rush Creek or Lotsawanna be considered for the 2010 slot. After much discussion, President Barkow noted that the actual decision belonged to the Board, which would be meeting immediately afterwards. (editors note: the Board voted unanimously for Chautauqua at their meeting)

Trophies

President Barkow then went on the state of the perpetual trophies. He noted that a number of them need refurbishment, along with obtaining some new ones. While no formal motion was made, it was the consensus of the membership that the Board should proceed with this as soon as possible.

NCSSA website

Chris Andert then led a discussion about the new look for the website and the number of improvements that had been made. He said that Hans Dickel had purchased the URL (Uniform Resource Locator) for the fleet and had done an outstanding job as webmaster. In response to a question, Hans said it would be possible to do online registration for regattas. Also, the ability to pay dues on line had significantly increased renewals.

New business

There was a discussion about changing the bylaws to allow canceling of races when the wind gusted over 25 mph. On a close vote, the proposal to do that was defeated.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:37 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Chris Martin, Secretary
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