

LAKE CHAMPLAIN YACHT CLUB  
Annual Meeting Minutes  
October 15, 2022

1. LCYC Annual Meeting began at 11:30 pm on October 15, 2022.
2. Commodore's Report
  - a. Highlights
    - i. Pleased with how 2022 went for the club as a whole. Club is in great financial and physical shape.
    - ii. A robust social, regatta and cruising schedule - a special thanks to Jean Sievert for stepping in to Chair the Social Committee at the last minute and doing a great job.
    - iii. Also a special thanks to the Rosners for stepping in while Gunnar Sievert was recovering from his injury.
    - iv. Membership
      1. As of this date, we welcomed 10 new member units in 2022, new family units to LCYC this year with more to come. New membership interest continues to be healthy.
      2. A new volunteer tracking system was implemented this year and has been very successful. A reminder to members to enter their hours into the form on the LCYC website. Special thanks to Kristin Knight for creating the system.
    - v. House
      1. The club house is currently getting an interior paint refresh
    - vi. Grounds
      1. South end project is looking great
        - a. We have a new shed and dumpster area built and nicely fenced in thanks mostly to the leadership and efforts of Joss Besse and Bob Schumacher - Team JoBo.
    - vii. Regatta
      1. The Bots were new this year and we are getting used to using them - they are a great innovation for our racing program
    - viii. Stewards
      1. John Stetson has offered to stay on another 3-year term and is implementing Steward feeder system to combat the problem of attracting new Stewards
    - ix. Looking ahead to 2023
      1. New Commodore and a few new Committee Chairs
      2. Risk Management Committee to advise the BOG
      3. Task Force to determine the correct structure for Cruising/Social moving forward

4. Continue South End Project to ideally construct racks/areas for SUP's, kayaks, etc.
5. Refresh clubhouse furniture - games for member use on the lawn
6. Steward In Training Program
7. Renew the popular LCYC Speaker Series
8. Evaluate alternatives to the Opti for beginning sailors

### 3. Elections

- a. Nominated to serve as Commodore for a term of 2 years commencing with the Change of Watch in 2023:
  - i. Motion to approve Jill Gagne as Commodore, 1st: Doug Merrill 2nd: Bob DeSorba, Motion approved.
- b. Nominated to serve as a member of the Board of Governors for a term of 3 years commencing with the Change of Watch in 2023:
  - i. Motion to approve Jill Burley as a member of the Board of Governors, 1st: Michael Kerbaugh, 2nd: Al Lewis, Motion approved.
- c. Nominated to serve as a member of the Board of Governors for a term of 3 years commencing with the Change of Watch in 2023:
  - i. Motion to approve Gene Cloutier as a member of the Board of Governors, 1st: Gerry Davis, 2nd: Doug White, Motion approved.
- d. Nominated to serve as a member of the Board of Governors for a term of 3 years commencing with the Change of Watch in 2023:
  - i. Motion to approve John Stetson as a member of the Board of Governors, 1st: Walt Marti, 2nd: Bill Kallock, Motion approved.
- e. Nominated to serve as Auditor for a term of three years commencing with the Change of Watch in 2023:
  - i. Motion to approve Robin Turnau as Auditor, 1st: John Stetson, 2nd: Kristin Knight, Motion approved.

### 4. BOG and Volunteer Committee Chair Introductions

- a. BOG members (and those who work closely with the BOG) were recognized for their efforts:
  - i. Drew Hamilton - Boats - first year of a three year term
  - ii. Gunnar Sievert - Cruising - ending his three year term - thank you Gunnar
  - iii. Michael Kerbaugh - Docks - ending five (5) years on the BOG - thank you Michael
  - iv. Paul Boerman - Harbor - first year of a three year term
  - v. Ben Durant - House - second year of a three year term
  - vi. Betsey Dempsey - Membership/Secretary - third year on the BOG
  - vii. Bill Kallock - Jr. Sailing - ending his three year term - thank you Bill
  - viii. Bob Turnau - Regatta - second year of a three year term
  - ix. John Stetson - Stewards - completed his three year term - signed up for an additional term - thank you John
  - x. Jean Sievert - completed one year volunteer term - thank you Jean

- xi. Wes Daum - completed three year volunteer term - thank you Wes
- xii. Doug Merrill - Communications - completed 2 year volunteer term - willing to continue on - thank you Doug

5. Proposal to By-Laws amendments

- a. Article 2: Members.
  - i. • Section 1 (b), Family member definition - to include domestic partnerships as recognized by the BOG.
  - ii. • Section 1 (h), Inactive membership definition - to allow Members for valid reasons, as determined by the BOG, to move to Inactive Member status without moving permanently "outside the club service area".
  - iii. • Section 6, Initiation fee - An Approved Applicant must pay the mooring waitlist fee within 30 days to remain an Approved Applicant.
  - iv. • Section 8, Meetings - only one Annual Meeting must be held, in the Fall.
- b. Article 3: Board of Governors.
  - i. • Section 2, Nomination and Election of Members of the Board of Governors, Commodore and Treasurer - BOG transition and "Change of Watch" - to happen in January regardless of whether a formal "Change of Watch" ceremony is held in January. Requires the BOG to hold an annual "Change of Watch" ceremony.
  - ii. • Section 4, Committees - eliminates language requiring standing committee chairs to be members of the BOG. This change should have been included in the previous bylaws change lowering the minimum BOG size.
- c. Article 4: Officers and Other Positions.
  - i. • Section 2 & 3, Appointment of Officers & Election of Auditors - tracks the amendment in Article 3 by providing that new BOG members, Auditor, Treasurer and Commodore terms to begin at the January BOG meeting, not Change of Watch. Makes this language consistent with the Article III BOG transition changes.
  - ii. • Section 4, (g) Auditors - audit must be completed by a fixed date (May 1) rather than 10 days prior to Spring workday.
- d. Article 5: Use of Club Facilities
  - i. • Section 3 – Request for Mooring Rights - Approved Applicants, who within 2 seasons of original offer, do not accept an offered mooring, will no longer be an Approved Applicant.
- e. Definition of Family Units are to be changed to align with more official, commonly used language - will be formalized by the BOG before 12/31/2022.
- f. Motion to approve changes to By-Laws, 1st: Chris Leopold, 2nd: Bob Desorbo, Motion approved.
- g. Changing any applicable language in Log to be gender neutral
- h. Motion to approve changes to By-Laws, 1st: Chris Leopold, 2nd: Bob Schumacher, Motion approved.

6. Adjourn - the meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm