

West Florida PHRF Inc
Minutes of the Board of Directors meeting held March 12, 2018
At Bird Key Yacht Club, Sarasota, FL

President Wendy Filler called the meeting to order at 1859 hours. Members and officers present were Wendy Filler, Dick Booth, Charles Mixson, Kim Beaty, Tish Wold, Grant Dumas, George Pennington, Jim Mallory and Mike Kayusa. This represented a quorum. Gordon Latrobe was present as a guest.

The minutes of the January 10, 2018 meeting were accepted as presented.

There were no electronic actions taken since the last meeting.

Treasurer Dick Booth presented the financial report as of February 28, 2018. Year to Date revenue was \$10,082, \$2,761 behind the same date last year. Expenses were \$10,148, \$1,519 ahead of last year. The loss was \$66, \$4,280 more than last year. Cash in the bank was \$14,107. It was pointed out that \$2,438 has been spent on board approved web site development but that this amount was not budgeted. The report was accepted as presented.

The Web Master's report was presented by Dick Booth. He and Jim Mallory will be meeting with Auman Software again soon to view progress on the on line data base project. It is expected that off line testing will begin after some additional changes are made.

President Wendy Filler reported that she has been receiving calls about a couple of boat's ratings. It was noted that the Modifications column data in the master spread sheet may not be aligned with the proper boat in all cases. There is no apparent cause but it is suspected that an editing error created the mis alignment and the rating Chair is reviewing each Modification entry to be sure it is with the correct boat. There was discussion of other handicap systems being experimented with like the WIZI system and golf type handicaps. It was agreed that neither would work here. There was discussion that the BOTY notices of series show WFPHRF as the organizing authority while this is and should be listed as a local region responsibility. WFPHRF provides the rating and the BOTY awards, nothing else. It was noted that this has probably been a carryover from past years. A Motion was approved that for next season, the regions would be the listed organizing authority. There was discussion that Dunedin recently has a NOS stating one race at an event while two races were run, creating a scoring conflict. It was determined that an outside judge should decide the answer.

Rating Committee Chair Jim Malory had nothing to report from the Technical Committee. For the Rating Committee, he noted that the number of certificates is down over last year. He also reported that we are getting more "sleds" requesting certificates for special races like Havana and they are very difficult to rate in PHRF and be fair to the entire fleet. His hope there would be enough of them to have IRC, ORC, etc divisions in these races in the future.

Under old business, there was discussion about code 0 type sails and should we eliminate the penalty of them in the class rules? It was suggested that all non standard boats (not J35, etc base boats) racing be reviewed after the season to see if a rating adjustment was warranted based on race results.

Under New Business, the annual meeting was tentatively scheduled for June 23 at St Pete YC, pending room availability. George Pennington agreed to check and report back within a week. The president polled the officers and directors and all agreed to serve another year. Dick Booth agreed to recruit an independent nominating committee. The President asked for ideas for the BOTY trophies and Grant suggest pennant type flags and agreed to look into the costs. It was also suggested to have a final BOTY race off with some sort of major prize. Mike Kayusa agreed to look into this idea. President Filler covered that Gordon Latrobe was present as a potential appointee to fill an open board seat until the election at the annual meeting. A motion was approved to appoint Gordon to the board thru the annual meeting.

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for June 23, 2018 at 11am, just prior to the annual meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2112 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Dick Booth
WFPHRF Secretary