

Meeting Minutes from CHNYC Board Meeting - Monday, February 19th, 2024

1800 - 1900 via Zoom

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87671123811>

Attendees:

Monica Blanchard

Olivia Dube

Charles Jenison

Tripp Alyn

Pat Tormey

Carole Hamel

Kim Lyons

Joe Gabriel

1. Specific Agenda Items

- a. Vote on 1/15/2024 Meeting Minutes - O. Dube
 - i. Minutes posted in Board Business and Members Only forums on 1/28/2024.
 - ii. Link to 1/15 minutes: <https://chnyc.us/forum/viewtopic.php?t=528>
 - iii. Vote on approval of January board meeting minutes.
 - An executive board vote was completed on 2/19/24 to approve the January 2024 board meeting minutes. Motion to vote by M. Blanchard, second by C. Jenison. All in favor. Motion approved.
- b. Vote on 2024 Budget Proposal - C. Jenison
 - i. On 2/19/24, M. Blanchard & O. Dube reshared an updated budget proposal with the executive board.
 - ii. Vote on approval of 2024 budget proposal
 - An executive board vote was completed on 2/19/24 to approve the 2024 budget proposal, pending adjudication of comments to lines 30 (pizza party cost), 69 (USNA Meet & Greet income), and 78 (WAA income). Motion to vote by M. Blanchard, second by K. Lyons. All in favor. Motion approved.
- c. Welcome Letters – O. Dube
 - i. New member list not being properly updated (people who have joined not showing up, people who are not new are showing up).
- i. New members will show up once their member number is assigned; likely hasn't been done since B. Kneller is on vacation
- ii. O. Dube to follow up with B. Kneller and P. Tormey on status for new members (Doug Smith, Blake Tornga) and returning members (Kelly, Boyers, Croys)
 - ii. First round of letters were sent out the first week of February. This will be continued on a monthly basis.
- d. Membership Renewals - M. Blanchard
 - i. Reminders to renew by March 31st.
 - ii. M. Blanchard / O. Dube to prepare honorary membership letters.
 - Marina staff, Michelle and Nick

- An executive board vote was completed on 2/19/24 to approve the extension of honorary memberships to the individuals listed above. Motion to vote by M. Blanchard, second by C. Jenison. All in favor. Motion approved.
- Janet Belson, former CHNYC board constituent
 - After a recommendation from T. Alyn, a second executive board vote was completed on 2/19/24 to approve the extension of an honorary memberships to the individual listed above. Motion to vote by M. Blanchard, second by O. Dube. All in favor. Motion approved.
- Future considerations for honorary members:
 - M. Blanchard and K. Lyons are assessing feasibility of offering free membership to MWR sailing course graduates; to help spread awareness of club to active duty, help recruit crew/skippers. Need to speak with Navy JAG office (401-841-3766).
- Remove honorary members status of Bob Donald; consider offering honorary membership to the new commodore of Quonset Yacht Club (sister club)
- Base Commanding Officer and President of the Naval War College.

2. General Updates

- a. Exec Board Updates
 - i. K. Lyons
 - i. Renewed contract with Wreaths Across America.
- ii. Lights have been replaced on MWR Marina docks
 - ii. C. Jenison
 - i. send receipt images to C. Jenison for reimbursement.
- ii. Requests ~170 brochures to support upcoming boat checks
 - b. Training - Bill Kneller
 - i. Better Bay Alliance Boating Safety – 3/16 at the Officer’s Club from 1300 to 1430
 - ii. Marine Electronics Seminar – 3/9 – M. Blanchard requested conference room at Liberty Center. B. Kneller will send out email & calendar invite once reserved.
 - c. Social Director - Carole Hamel
 - i. Seeking replacement social chair as C. Hamel is moving in March
 - ii. Summary of Bowling Event (Seaview Lanes) - Saturday, 2/17
 - Successful event; 43 signed up (some duplicates)
 - C. Hamel is sorting out a question about the final bill; working with Lindsey. Once finalized, K. Lyons will stop by with club debit card to pay.
 - iii. Spring opener event status
 - Date/time: April 26th, 1800-2100

- Location: Newport YC
 - Menu: 600 pieces, dessert not included
 - K. Lyons will ask Lynn if we are allowed to bring dessert. We will serve it ourselves.
 - We will inform Lynn who is allowed to approve changes to food/order more.
 - Street parking is still free in April; reminder that you can only park in the Newport YC parking lot if you are a Newport YC member.
 - Ticket price: It's within the budget to subsidize ticket costs, which would lower ticket costs to \$49.99 per person, assuming we get 65 people (unsubsidized cost would be \$57)
- d. Facilities & Property - Pat Tormey
- i. Plan to replace the race mark next season. Get a quote by the 2025 season.
 - ii. Mooring utilization
 - Creating an intermediate webpage for mooring renters to identify if they are a CHNYC member or a reciprocal user.
 - Reached out to Jamestown Yacht Club and Coboaters East Greenwich for advertising our moorings. Not using Dockwa.
 - Will make a brochure or section of website to suggest go-ashore activities for non-members who cannot come ashore at CHNYC.
- e. Race Committee - Mike Incze
- i. Winslow Regatta date - TBD, higher priority now
 - ii. Call to Participation
 - iii. Initial schedule for Rhodes 19 season
- f. Cruising - Walt Wasowski
- g. Rhodes 19 Fleet Captain - Seth Moyer
- i. Coordinating with M. Incze to finalize boat assignments.
- h. Shields Fleet Captain - Ron Oard
- i. Coordinating with M. Incze on Wednesday night racing.
- i. PHRF Fleet Captain/Protest Chair - Tripp Alyn
- j. BZ Scholarship – Donna DeAscentis
- i. Julia Moran has been selected; M. Blanchard & D. DeAscentis to notify Julia & Sail Newport next week
 - ii. D. DeAscentis is passing the torch for next year; M. Blanchard to find replacement BZ Scholarship coordinator for next year
- k. Telltale Coordinator - Joseph Gabriel
- i. Spring Telltale submissions due March 4th.
 - ii. Joe distributed a template for the Telltale on 2/19.
 - iii. Highlighting a new member or existing member. M. Blanchard and O. Dube will select.
 - iv. All board members should provide inputs; J. Gabriel will personally email each board member to clarify what inputs are typical from their position
- l. NBYA Delegate - EC Helme

- m. Webmaster - Bill Kneller
- n. Web publishing - Pat Tormey
 - i. See 2.b.i.i.
- o. Social Media - Erin Howe
 - i. M. Blanchard will send group photos from the bowling event to K. Lyons.

3. Additional Updates

- a. Lights were added to all docks.
- b. Local Coast Guard will not longer have coverage on weekends. Point Judith will continue to operate on the weekends. If there are injuries, Rescue 21 (fire department) has their own boats.
- c. Position turnover documentation (standard operations, schedule, duties, etc.)
 - i. M. Blanchard is creating a template.

4. Next Board Meeting – March 25th, 2024