

CHNYC Board Meeting Minutes - Monday, March 24th, 2025

1800 - 1900 via Zoom: [Click Here](#)

Attendees:

Monica Blanchard
Kim Lyons
Wendy Lang
Pat Tormey
Seth Moyer
Joe Gabriel
Ron Oard (departed 1826)
Bill Kneller Note taker (Otter AI)
Rob Schult
Jeanne Kelly
Anne Mitchell

Members not present:

Jill Skeet
Walt Wasowski
Mike Incze
Sandy Takacs
Tripp Alyn
Mary Beth Schmitt
Bill Kneller

Specific Agenda Items

1. Call meeting to order at 1802 / establish quorum – Commodore Monica Blanchard
2. Vote to approve Minutes from February Board meeting – Secretary Wendy Lang
 - a. An Executive Board vote was completed 3/24/2025 to approve the February 2025 Board meeting minutes. Motion to vote by Kim Lyons, second by Monica Blanchard. All in favor. Motion approved.
 - b. Minutes posted in Board Business and Members Only forums 3/11/2025
 - c. [Link to February 2025 Minutes](#)

General Updates

1. Executive Board Updates

- a. Commodore – Monica Blanchard
 - i. CHNYC presented at South Bay Sailors Social at Newport Yacht Club last Thursday
 - ii. CHNYC membership drive currently active
 - iii. Spring opener tickets on sale – CHNYC website
 - iv. Monica to meet with Marina Representatives:
 1. Try sailing schedule / lessons schedule
 2. Goal to have Board members on docks for sailing lessons to introduce CHNYC and provide brochures
 3. Suggestion from Dave Wilson: query Marina regarding possibility of CHNYC Board members helping with check rides

- a. Seth added details on who is eligible to be provided check rides/criteria
 - b. Kim Lyons mentioned form in office for check ride/sailing credentials required (Paul at Marina POC)
 - c. Action for M. Blanchard to discuss with marina staff and Paul Mankofsky to see if there is a way we can support and reduce bottlenecks for providing check rides
- b. Vice Commodore – Jill Skeet (not present, no updates)
- c. Immediate Past Commodore – Kim Lyons
 - i. No updates
- d. Treasurer – Jeanne Kelly
 - i. Financials
 - 1. February financials submitted to Executive Board
 - 2. Month end balance \$5,638.13
 - 3. Budget:
 - a. Monica: Budget had been nearly finalized and was reopened again based on request from Pat T. regarding updating/moving race mark
 - b. Monica: Race mark “H” replacement added to budget following Exec Board vote: \$1,850.00; suggestion to increase mooring fees to assist in funding
 - i. Pat discussed active promotion of moorings, plans to draft letters to send out to invite use of moorings
 - ii. Kim mentioned YCA has information regarding our moorings in their online register
 - c. Budget for 2025: \$21,605.13
 - i. Mooring income 2024: \$1,780.00, budget for 2025: \$3,100.00; increasing mooring revenue will be paramount; income not to exceed costs per our permit type
 - d. 2025 budget approved / budget revision approved via Executive Board email vote on 3/24/25. Motion by Jeanne Kelly, second by Monica Blanchard. All in favor.
- e. Secretary – Wendy Lang
 - i. Three new memberships, all welcome letters and decals have been mailed
 - ii. Plan to send letters of introduction to PNWC and CO/XO NAVSTA Newport

2. Officers & Committees

- a. Training – Robert Schult
 - i. Electronics seminar by Cay Electronics and Ropes and Rigging by Jonathan Thurston both on 5 April 2025
- b. Facilities – Pat Tormey
 - i. Race Mark status – see above regarding decision to replace mark
 - ii. Mooring fees (increase to \$25.00 – \$30.00 recommended – with one flat fee for all per Pat may be most efficient) further discussion on fee to ensue offline
- c. Cruising – Walt Wasowski (not present, no updates provided)
- d. Race Chair – Mike Incze (not present, updates provided via email and as follows)
 - i. Winslow date and resource planning TBD – possibly 2 AUG
 - ii. Wednesday race series dates & registration (add to website)

- iii. SI/NOR progress Wednesday night – dates are set for Rhodes 19's and to be updated on website
- e. Rhodes 19 Fleet Captain – Seth Moyer
 - i. Scoring: Seth reached out to Skippers for inputs, return to low point scoring TBD. Seth will communicate with Mike Incze
 - ii. Sailing training: Marina spending possibly constrained due to current Federal initiatives therefore Seth recommends communication with Marina on health and upkeep of Fleet
 - iii. Pat Tormey recommends offering Board member work party assistance for Fleet as needed, Monica to discuss with Marina POC's
 - iv. Prices will remain the same as 2024 for Rhodes racing per NOR/SI draft – to be provided to Bill for website
- f. Shields Fleet Captain – Ron Oard
 - i. Last Navy owned Shields was at auction which closed last Thursday at midnight, no bids were noted as of Tuesday
 - ii. Shields Fleet 9 schedule is posted, season starts in about 6 weeks
- g. Trimaran Fleet Captain -Sandy Takacs (not present, updates provided to Monica)
 - i. Plan to participate in Sept racing
 - ii. Will also participate with Race Committee duties in September
 - iii. Offered to volunteer for Winslow if not racing
- h. PHRF Fleet Captain / Protest Chair – Tripp Alyn (not present, no updates provided)
- i. Social Director – Anne Mitchell
 - i. Bowling on 8 March successful, 27 members registered, 21 attended
 - ii. Spring opener 26 April Bristol YC– 13 registered currently (deadline to register 15 April)
 - iii. Anne to send reminder to register for Spring Opener, will be catered by Common Pub Catering; room rental waived, fee remains for bartender and incidentals. 50/50 raffle approved.
 - iv. Pop up Trivia night planned: Ragged Island, free, no tickets – email Anne if planning to attend, 22 MAY 1800-2000, food truck will be available
 - v. Date TBD for USNA Sailing meet and greet
 - vi. Progressive meet and greet: Friday 6 June with rain date June 20th; 1700-1900. Penny and Ron Bouley will be event captains. Potluck in pavilion following, Ann will reserve pavilion.
 - vii. Lobster nights at Officer's Club start in June – Ann will send reminder
 - viii. Winslow date TBD; possibly 2 AUG 1000-1700 with potluck following
 - ix. Kempenaars clambake July or August TBD
 - x. Commodore picnic – with QDNYC possibly July/Aug– Monica to connect with Commodore for more details
 - xi. Possible Kayak/dinghy and lunch or dinner social - TBD
 - xii. Joe agreed to be event captain for end of season pizza party 6 SEPT
 - xiii. Fall banquet and awards ceremony 18 OCT Green Valley Country Club – no contract or deposit required. Color guard and DJ to be reserved.
 - xiv. Army Navy Game – Jeanne Petersen will be event captain 13 DEC
- j. BZ Scholarship – Mary Beth Schmitt (not present, updates provided via email)
 - i. Award letters
 - 1. All four scholarship recipients have received awards
 - 2. Recipients: Jackson Purnell (Newport Yacht Club), Elly Jenkins (Sail Newport), Azalea Sowers (URI) and Dovovan Klinkhammer (Herreshoff Museum)
 - 3. 2025 Crackerjack award presented to Jackson Purnell (Newport

Yacht Club)

- k. Telltale Coordinator – Joe Gabriel
 - i. March issue published
 - l. Webmaster – Bill Kneller (not present, updates provided via email)
 - i. Review web updates / fee schedule and racing series dates/times
 - ii. Bill requests confirmation on Rhodes racing
 - m. Web Publishing – Pat Tormey
 - i. Will update dates on calendars
 - n. NBYA Delegate – EC Helme (not present, no updates)
 - o. Social media – Erin Howe (not present, no updates)
3. **Meeting adjourned by Commodore Monica Blanchard at 1851**
4. **Next Board Meeting – April 28, 2025**