



# St. Paul Yacht Club

St Paul Yacht Club  
Board Of Directors Meeting  
Tuesday April 11, 6:30pm ~ 7:00pm  
[SPYC Clubhouse/Zoom Dial in](#)  
Meeting ID: 840 1347 7959  
Passcode: 946186

**Board Members:** Bill Tscholl, Lynn Adler, Brett Cummings, Tom Supranet, Greg Jorgenson, Andy Ristrom, Barb Hakke (remote), Troy Janisch, Coleen Velo, Diane Scoville

**Approved by:** Bill Tscholl, Lyn Adler, Brett Cummings, Diane Scoville, Coleen Velo

**Staff:** Kristina Cummings

**Attendees:** Eileen Manning, Charlie Evans, Emily Evans, Dave McKusick, Ruby McKusick, Shawn Tierney, Betsey Dullum, Jeff Schwab, Lynn Schwab, Linda Kelly, Bonnie Jean MacKay, Fran Potvien, Jennifer Potvien, Lyn Gunstrum, Tom Marrone, Carol Janisch, Paul Amann, Sue Walters, Kathy Christensen, Laurie Falla, Chuck MacGrew, Dennis Rollins, Jerry Quaal, David Nelson, Paul Glynn, Ed Tilford, MJ Babcock, Carolyn Tilford, Chris Mickman, Nancy Berget, Colleen Velo, Annie Stace, Bruce Johnson, Andrea Johnson, Kathy Christenson.

## Agenda

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Approval of Agenda**
4. **Consent Agenda<sup>1</sup>**
  - a. Social Committee Minutes
  - b. Vision & Procedure Committee Report
  - c. Clubhouse Committee Report

**Motion:** Approve Consent agenda items (provided)

**Made:** Andy Ristrom

**Seconded by:** Lynn Adler

**Status:** Passed Unanimously

5. **Open Comments from the Floor**
  - a. **Members discussed and submitted a written statement that identified poor vendor communication. Resulted in the following action items:**
    - i. Board will initiate the addition of a "Vendor information" section to the SPYC website. This will include information on registering with the club. Will also include a list of registered vendors for members.

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<sup>1</sup> The consent agenda is a tool used to streamline meeting procedures by collecting routine, non-controversial items into a group whereby all are passed with a single motion and vote.



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ii. Board will apologize to the vendor identified.

**b. Members discussed the lack of TV programming in the clubhouse.**

**Resulted in the following action item:**

i. Board will initiate cost comparisons for adding TV programming to the clubhouse

**c. Lower harbor members asked about opportunities to move boats to the upper harbor prior to the expected rivercrest and before the Corps of Engineers notified the club of dredging.**

i. Board agreed that moving boats prior to these events is a good idea. Suggested that individuals move their boats and communicate their desire to move early to the office manager.

### **6. Flag Officer Reports**

- a. Commodore - Bill Tschohl (shared remarks, no report)
- b. Vice-Commodore - Nathan Schumann (no report)
- c. Treasurer - Lynn Adler (shared attached financials)
- d. Secretary - Troy Janisch (shared remarks, no report)

### **7. Office Manager Report - Kristina Cummings (shared)**

### **8. Committee Reports**

- a. Clubhouse (shared)
- b. Finance (shared)
- c. Marketing (no report)
- d. Membership (no report)
- e. Operations (no report)
- f. Public & Government Relations (no report)
- g. Social (shared)
- h. Vision & Strategic Planning (shared)

### **9. Old Business**

- a. **Lower Harbor Dredging (discussed)**

### **10. Adjournment**

**Motion:** To Adjourn

**Made:** Lynn Adler

**Seconded by:** Greg Jorgenson

**Status:** Passed Unanimously

SPYC Social Committee    Date: March, 21, 2023    Time: 6:00PM **Minutes added 3/22/23, DMRS**

**Location :**        Lower Harbor, Carol and Troy Janish

6-6:05PM    **CHECK IN:** Feedback from Tom Marrone regarding the timing of the first Captain's breakfast, "too early." It also would conflict with our desire to be part of the Earth Day Clean Up for the parks and for the Marina. It was decided that we should **pivot and instead hold a Captain's lunch** for those volunteering to do the clean up work with the SPPRD. (Thank you Kristina). Activities would include; clean up trash/debris around the lower and upper harbors, review and report maintenance issues needing more resources, working on the fire pit and other issues in the yard/club house etc. **Subway lunches would be on the menu, April 22**, with the timing tentatively-from 10-12PM as an initial start, lunch at 12 resume at 1-3pm.

6:05PM        Review/Update: Diane, event spaces and feedback **Discussion:** Reviewing 340 Hotel and still working on event spaces. In Process.

6:15PM        Worksheet/Event: Betsy **Discussion:** great review with Betsy to create a document that keeps the information to create each event something we can pass on to the next committee. Betsy will make to additions and subtractions for the final schedule. This will be sent to every one. Once it is complete we will start promoting this to the membership using every possible method of dissemination. It was asked **if Troy could help Kristina with the calendar, as board secretary?**

Kristina: Preferences/Shopping/Setup **Discussion:** Let's try to do this in the committee. **Betsy can ask Bill/Kristina how best to do this.**

6:50PM        Survey: Troy **Discussion:** HUGE! Troy created a **feedback loop** for the committee to be able to evaluate the success or failure of each event. **Link this on the calendar, business cards at each event with the link on it.** Imagine, feedback to be able to plan activities in the future!

7:10PM        General Meetings - What is the protocol? Kristina **Discussion:**(Thank you Troy)- **Burger Bar.** Diane will shop and do set up etc for this initial meeting. This meeting should be a chance for the Social Committee to be present and try to create some excitement for the gathering. Promote person to person, FB, Instagram(when we have this connected), flyers. **Create something for members to get excited about-** clothing rep come with items the membership can review, create a discussion issue the membership can participate in that could directly affect the club. For instance- how can the SPYC be more environmentally active? Maybe Tyler from the SPPRD can come? We need to **foster conversations that go beyond simply complaints** and resolutions. We host issues from the general meetings that foster and increase in knowledge and common interests. **March 30, Thursday - 5:30pm** the committee wishes to **review supplies and clean the grill/get propane for the tanks. We need to contact Brian(Bill/Tom),** to be sure we have access and know the ropes. Once we do we can create a check list for future teams to do this work.

7:15PM Review when/due/date Evaluate-Strengths/Weaknesses of this meeting.

7:30PM Set next committee meeting and Close

Action Items from last meeting:

Due

Lead

**Item:** Complete Event Schedule 3/15/23 Betsy, **Completed making the changes and we are ready to promote prom one promote**

**Item:** Research Locations for Holiday Party 5/20/23. All/Diane. **Feedback still in process**

I have contacted a few venues, for more information. My searches were for spaces near, or in Saint Paul: **Holman's Table, Caves, Celeste Union Depot, 340 Hotel (downtown Saint Paul), Holman's Table, Wabasha Caves, Cossetta's, Mancini's, DeGidio's, University Club, W.A. Frost (basement but really cozy), The Commodore, Summit Manor MN Boat Club (ish), Inwood Oaks (Woodbury/Oakdale off of 94), The Bella Room (West Saint Paul), St. Paul Event Center, Saint Paul Pool and Yacht Club, Town and Country Golf and event center (on river).**

**Item:** Overview of the schedule 3/16/23. Diane/Nate **Completed**

Social Committee 2023m Diane Scovill (chair), Bill Tschohl (member), Betsy Dullum (member), .Mary Rossi (member), Colleen Velo (member), Troy Janish (member), Carol Janish (member), Nathan Schumann (member), Erin Schumann (back up member), .Andrea Johnson (member), Bruce Johnson (member), Kristin Marsella (back up member), Kristina Cummings (Special guest)

## Summary

The Social Committee held two meetings. Tuesday, March 14, and 21.

The Social Committee has met and developed an exciting lineup of social events for the 2023 season. The team would first like to thank the former social chair, Tom Marrone, for his outstanding and dedicated work.

This year we are taking a fresh look at events, emphasizing core events (Commodore's Ball, Steak Fry, etc...), adding more river-focused events such as cruising and beach parties, and additional smaller events throughout the calendar year. Many events will also include prizes to encourage members to join in!

We emphasize the importance of volunteer participation in SPYC social events. To that end, we would like to create Service Awards to highlight members serving our community and reward members volunteering at our events. We will also look for opportunities to partner with agencies like the Parks Department, DNR, and Wilderness Inquiry to help SPYC better connect with our neighbors.

The social activities at the SPYC are an important way we weave our membership together. We will ask for feedback regularly with surveys so that we can respond better to our members and what they would like to see for social events in the future.

2023 is going to be a great year at SPYC!

**Item:** Feedback Loop/Other. 3/21/23. Troy. Ready - Approved  
and working on dissemination

**Item:** Develop Event Worksheet 3/21/23 Betsy, Ready -  
Approved working on changes and dissemination

# SPYC Vision and Procedures Committee

Monthly Committee Report – April 2023

The committee's first discussions were big picture brainstorming to gather ideas for improvements and strategies to consider in the coming years. This month we focused on starting the process of reviewing the previous strategic plan as a foundation to developing the new 2024-2029 strategic plan.

I want to take a minute to summarize the goals that were part of that plan which have successfully been completed to recognize the efforts of our boards and committees in recent years:

## Finance Committee

- Complete retirement of long-term debt
- Increase cash reserves to \$100,000
- Collect revenue for non-boat storage
- Implement a single-rate rental/storage structure

## Operations Committee

- Additional fencing at lower harbor to increase security
- Add a keypad on Gate G
- Provide additional safety equipment on docks and gas dock (emergency pumps, ladders)

## Marketing and Membership

- Increase overall revenue by 3-5% per year
- Increase awareness and communication via facebook

## Social

- Strengthen marina community by hosting 10-12 events per year

As we work to develop the new 2024-2029 strategic plan the Vision and Procedures Committee is asking all committees to develop an action plan specific to each committee; to be achieved over the course of the next 5 years. Committee plans will be reviewed and compiled into the master strategic plan for the marina later this year.

The office has also been a topic of discussion over the last several years and the committee is exploring options to replace and potentially relocate the existing office with something that is more fitting of our needs. This will be a long-term goal but the good news is that the office is currently undergoing a remodel that will greatly improve its appearance and functionality to bridge the gap until a more permanent plan can be developed.

We are excited about the progress made to date and many great ideas have been brought forward. There is a lot of work to do but we look forward to presenting a comprehensive strategic plan later this year.

# Clubhouse Committee - April 7, 2023

## Summary

We have submitted an order for a new Automated External Defibrillator (AED) for \$650.00. The existing AED is no longer available and replacement batteries and pads are out of stock indefinitely.

The clubhouse remains in good condition. We have noticed some cloudy water in the toilets, but believe this is simply due to low water usage in the clubhouse in the off season. After running water through the system the water clears up.

## Purchases

Item	Description	Cost	Approval Status
<a href="#">Portable Defibrillator Battery</a>	Battery needs replacement/service - New AED purchased instead of waiting to order battery/pads for existing AED	\$650.00	Approved 