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**Saint Paul Yacht Club**  
 Board Meeting Minutes  
 Monday October 26, 2015  
 SPYC Clubhouse

<b>Board Members Present At General Membership Meeting</b>										
Commodore	Vice Cmdre	Secretary	Treasurer	Board	Board	Board	Board	Board	Board	Past Cmdre
Dave McKusick	MJ Babcock	Roni Brunner	Greg Jorgensen	Lynn Adler	Dave Nelson	Bill Gibbs	Terri Meredith	Lynn Gunstrum	Bill Tschohl	Pat Boulay
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Call to Order: 7:05 p.m.

**Guest:** Denny Sando and Paul Walter

**Minute Approval:** Minutes approved for the September Board meeting. Motion by MJ Babcock -- Second by Terri Meredith. Motion – passed.

**Staff Report:** We have pulled 107 boats thus far and have 4 scheduled to be pulled on Tuesday, Oct. 27. There will be 24 boats remaining in the water over the winter. The City of St. Paul did their annual lease walk-thru and they were satisfied with our yard and operations. The staff are making the final preparations for winter on our water systems, gas dock, gas meters and laying down mesh on the ramp by the clubhouse before it snows. All of these activities should be done by mid-November.

There was a lively discussion on three new member applications in the board package and what we as the board should expect from new applicants and the functionality of their boats. There was a motion made by MJ Babcock and seconded by Bill Tschohl to approve Troy Janisch and Paul Walter conditionally as new members with the understanding that they will have their boats operational one year from this date. Operational means: able to move under their own power and navigate the river. Motion passed.

There was another motion made by Terri Meredith and seconded by MJ Babcock that Linda Millers application be denied. Roger will communicate with Linda and provide her feedback from the board on the application. She cannot be classified as a live-aboard but shall retain her right to be a seasonal boater at the SPYC.

**Operations:** Dave McKusick brought forward a new proposal to begin researching alternative plans for the lower harbor and to understand the true costs associated with these plans. Motion made by Terri Meredith to bring Harbor Maintenance committee activities back under the Operations Committee Seconded by MJ Babcock. Motion passed. The Operation Committee will initiate activities on plans for lower harbor and what areas they feel will continue to need dredging. They will attempt to have some preliminary plans and numbers for the November Board meeting.

**Finance:** Please see the marina manager for details on current financials. The Finance Committee reported that they will be planning focus groups next summer to gather membership input and to

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explain their purposed new rate structure. The committee will be meeting again on Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> at the clubhouse and all committee chairs are encouraged to send their capital expense requests prior to this meeting.

**Standing Rules:** Motion made by MJ Babcock and seconded by Terri Meredith to discuss removing the word “triangles” and adding plants to the docks from page 2 point 6, page 16 point 3, page 17 point 11. Lots of discussion and board made a recommendation that ideas for plants and flowers and how we could configure them on the docks to prevent a hazard or block the walkways was a good idea. Language to be added to Standing Rules needs to be brought forward at the next meeting. Board will review and finalize the Standing Rules at the November board meeting.

**Social, Membership, Marketing:** No committee report.

**Harbor Maintenance:** Dave McKusick presented Dave Nelson email regarding the 1938 COE agreement. Some discussion was done and then a motion was made by Roni Brunner and seconded by MJ Babcock to discontinue researching this particular option for the club. Motion passed.

**Clubhouse:** The cleaning service has been reduced to once a month beginning November 2015 until April/May 2016 at which time it will resume the twice a month cadence.

**Strategic Planning Committee:** The Strategic Planning Committee will meet again on Nov. 5<sup>th</sup> and all chairs of committees to the board need to have their full detailed action plans to MJ by Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>. She will be sending out an email this week reminding everyone. The full board will meet for 2 two hour sessions to review final committee recommendations on Dec. 7 and Dec. 10.

Motion made to adjourn by Terri Meredith; Second by MJ Babcock. Motion passed.

Adjourned: 9:00 p.m.

Next Board meeting: November 23, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Attest: Roni Brunner, Secretary