APPROVED MINUTES

Dartmouth Yacht Club (DYC) Management Committee Meeting March 11th, 2025

Present

Tyler Rutledge Marco Passe Jim MacDonald Brian Donohue Debbie Mountenay Greg Morrison Brian Weatherbee

In Attendance: Mary Ridgewell Recording Secretary, Angela Chisholm General Manager

Stephen Whitefield Trustee

Regrets: Paul Mackley, Garrett Landry, Tom Sancton

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

	o. Description	Action
1.	Approval of Agenda Motion: Moved by Brian W, seconded by Jim, that the agenda be approved as distributed. Motion carried.	
2.	Approval of Minutes February 11th, 2025 Motion: Moved by Debbie, seconded by Brian W, that the minutes be approved as distributed. Motion carried.	
3.	Report from Management Committee Members Yard – Tom Sancton	
	Tom reported all the equipment is ready for spring launching. Yard team is getting updated on first aid, fork lift training (bobcat), and possible training for the travel lift.	Tom/ Angela
	Bobcat will be discussed under #12 New Business.	Angela
	Bar, Entertainment – Greg Morrison Event Recaps Sunday February 9, 2025 – Superbowl Greg reported that Bill Thomey led this event. It was felt that the poor weather contributed to low attendance.	
	Friday February 14, 2025 - Valentines Day As Valentine's Day was on a Friday, the event was a Friday Night Dinner special with Peter Grant playing from 5:00-8:00pm. Weather had an effect on the event as it was very icy with not great conditions for most of the day.	
	Up Next Saturday March 15, 2025 – Pre St. Patrick's Day Party 2:00pm – 5:00pm The bar will have an Irish Stew on the menu as well as Green Beer.	Greg
	Looking Ahead Sunday May 11, 2025 – Mother's Day Brunch 11:00am – 2:00pm Mother's Day Brunch with Peter Grant performing.	Greg

June 14/15, 2025 – Opening Regatta and Father's Day Potentially a solo artist for the afternoon and then a DJ for a Saturday night dance.	Greg
Tuesday July 1, 2025 – Canada Day Steak and Lobster 2:00pm – 5:00pm Steak and Lobster will be served as in previous years. This year should have a Kids Menu offered as well. A solo artist will be booked for the afternoon. It was suggested that a sail past be arranged.	Greg
Saturday July 12, 2025 - Poker Run Potentially a solo artist for the afternoon and then a DJ for a Saturday night dance. Wednesday July 30 - Thursday July 31, 2025 - Bamse Cup Saturday September 6 - Sunday September 7, 2025 - Convoy Cup Saturday September 27, 2025 - Beancrock 2:00pm - 5:00pm	Greg Greg Greg Greg
Solo artist will be booked for the afternoon Saturday October 25, 2025 - Commodore's Reception with The Mellotones 7:00pm Friday October 31, 2025 - Halloween at DYC 5:00pm The bar and kitchen will offer a "Halloween Style" Dinner Menu and Happy Hour Specials.	Greg
Costumes welcome! Tuesday November 11, 2025 - Remembrance Day Celebration 12:00pm – 3:00pm	Greg
Live music in the afternoon from 12:00pm – 3:00pm. Friday December 5, 2025 – Kick off to Christmas 5:00pm Will most likely be the same set up as last year.	Greg
Sunday December 14, 2025 – Christmas Brunch 11:00am – 2:00pm Tuesday December 30, 2025 – New Years Eve Eve Dance 8:00pm	Greg Greg
Live Music Lineup - Friday Night Music March 14 Kyle Boudreau, March 28 TBD, April 11 Cory Mercer, April 25 Will Dobson	Greg
Greg reported he is working with Angela to carry out a cost analysis.	
Communications, Safety, Security, Environment - Brian Donohue Brian reported the Events Calendar has been added to website. The Office is able to update a local Google calendar and events are automatically updated on the website.	
The Regatta and racing pages need to be updated. He will be available when the RC is ready to update and set up both clubspot and the website	Brian/ Garrett
Brian reported that the membership directory table was uploaded on Monday March 10 th and, ideally, will be updated on a monthly basis. There was a discussion on the membership information to be uploaded to the website.	Brian
Facilities – Jim MacDonald Jim noted that a number of projects were carried out while he was away. He thanked Angela. Jim reported that planned activity will ramp up this month with a priority of getting the interior of the junior sail building suitable for sail training. Jim's first objective will be to further set some priorities and to develop a tentative time table	Jim Jim
to accomplish the higher priority items.	
Treasurer – Debbie Mountenay Debbie presented the following Financial Highlights to February 28th, 2025: Statement of Profit and Loss Total Revenue YTD \$ 1,095,673, Total Expenses YTD, \$406,516, Net Income \$689,157	
Balance Sheet Cash \$376,901, Capital Deferment Fund \$180,126, Accounts Receivable \$655,904	
Debbie advised the Accounts Receivable will continue to be high until April 15th, the final due date for the dues. She also reported that \$50K was transferred into the Capital Deferment Fund	

Marina, Moorings, Breakwater – Brian Weatherbee Brian Brian reported the cost to repair the bridged area of the marina back to the original build. The Management Committee agreed to have this work done. Fleet Captain Sail, Sail Training - Marco Plasse Marco advised at this time there was nothing new to report. Rear Commodore - Garrett Landry Garrett was unable to attend the meeting and sent the following report: The Awards Night was a success with over 100 people in attendance. The event was catered by Mr. Smooth. Feedback indicated that attendees enjoyed the well-organized event. There were also several compliments on the food. Financially, the event was budget neutral. The sailing committee is making preparations for the season, with discussions planned for Garrett some decisions around rule changes and fleet splits, and a kickoff meeting planned for mid-April. Vice Commodore, Human Resources - Paul Mackley Paul was unable to attend the meeting and sent the following report: Policy and By-laws The By-laws that were approved by the members at the AGM have now been approved by the Register. The final versions of both the Policy Manual and the By-laws are now posted on our DYC website. A small revision to the Policy Manual regarding Joining Fee will be brought to the MC meeting Paul M in April for consideration. **Human Resources** Nothing to report this month. Report from General Manager – Angela Chisholm Angela submitted the following report: **Executive Summary** February was a busy and productive month with a strong focus on community engagement. event delivery, and preparations for the upcoming season. The Halifax Boat Show provided valuable exposure, and early-season sail training and sponsorship activities continued to build momentum. Staffing, training, safety planning, procedure reviews, and stakeholder Angela engagement remain key areas of focus to ensure smooth operations as we approach spring. Finance & Administration Continue to implement new financial controls and reporting mechanisms. Angela Monitoring Actuals to Budget and providing overview to Treasurer. Angela • POS update – demo complete, project approved, implementation to take place end of March. Angela **Operations** • Participated in the Halifax Boat Show with engagement from 28 club member volunteers. Converted one Outport Member to Senior Membership. Successful community engagement regarding membership and sponsorship. • Preparations took place for Rear Commodore's Awards event. Junior Sail relocation confirmed with suppliers, and planning underway. Angela • Established project plans for the next two months to ensure smooth pre-season operations. Angela • Actioned short-term plan for facility maintenance. Multiple projects completed. Angela • Monitor and enhance security measures – system update on kitchen sensor, boardroom door and electrical panel. Revised process for dispatching police. Weather challenges, including significant ice conditions over several weeks, resulted in increased member communications and updates to ensure safety and provide timely information.

	Bobcat review and proposal drafted for further discussion with Audit & Finance.	
	Events & Sponsorship • Hosted 1 private event and 3 member events: Valentine's Day, Super Bowl, and SailGP Watch Party.	
	 Held 2 music nights during TGIF Member Nights and 1 Thursday Music Jam. Hosted 2 Beer Bottle Races. 	
	• Prepared and launched the Events Calendar on the website, receiving positive member feedback.	
	• Rental guidelines currently under review to address inconsistencies between verbal agreements and written policies.	
	• Sponsorship update: 2025 sponsorship commitments total \$27,000 from 11 sponsors (compared to \$21,000 from 14 sponsors in 2024). Sponsorship prospecting remains active.	
	Sail Training • Junior Sail program at 74% capacity, representing 120 sailing weeks. 2024 capacity was 67% with 183 sailing weeks.	
	Angela advised that an Occupational Health and Safety committee needs to be established. Angela will move this forward.	Angela
5.	New Member Applications Pamela Yates, Social	
	Motion – Moved by Debbie, seconded by Jim, that the above application be approved subject to final verification by the General Manager with the Commodore's review and final approval. Motion carried.	All
6.	Suggestion Box There were no suggestions in the box.	
7.	Correspondence No correspondence at this time.	
8.	In Camera Session An in camera session will be held, if required, after the meeting ends.	

Unfinished Business

9.	Stray Current Issue This project will continue in the Spring when the boats are back on the marina.	Brian W
10.	Accessibility Angela had contacted Paul Tingley to carry out a mini assessment of the site and advise.	Angela

Ongoing Projects

11. **Junior Sail launching Area**Angela gave a presentation on the new launching area. She has received a quote for a wider ramp. The presentation indicated the rearranging of the mast racks for more room to prepare boats for class and safety to participants. The location of the dinghy dock was discussed. Brian W/ Angela

New Business

12 | Bobcat Inspection

Angela had an inspection carried out resulting in a failed inspection. She has been advised that the bobcat must be inspected annually. Angela presented a quote from Liftow to carry out the repairs. The Management Committee agreed to have the service done and the bobcat reinspected. Angela advised staff will be trained in April.

Angela

Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday April 8th, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting Termination

Motion: Moved by Greg, seconded by Brian D, to terminate the meeting. Motion carried. Time 8:08 p.m.