



Flushing Sailing Club CIO Charity No. 1182993

Minutes of Management Committee Meeting

Held on Wednesday 13th December 2023 at 19.00 at FSC

- 1. Present:** Peter Harvey; Dave Owens; John Hicks; Rod Wooton; Teresa Spear; Jonathan Brown; Chris Bell; David Mitchell

Apologies: Gaye Slater; Dan Tregaskes; John Fox; Len Cheshire; Charlie Choak; Paul Evans; Derek Hill; Geoff Davies

- 2. Minutes of last meeting:** Approved

- 3. Correspondence:** N/A

4. Sailing

Sailing programme for 2024:

- It is noted with appreciation that a huge amount of work has been put in by JH and RW to get the racing programme completed for 2024.
- JH is looking into altering courses due to light/medium/strong winds to ensure duration of racing will be for 90 minutes.
- JH requests in future the committee boat be guided to the correct position to be used as an effective racing mark.
- RW is looking into splitting the fleets according to boat speed to try to ensure that all boats can compete effectively.

Proposal to purchase GPS Pin-end mark:

- This was discussed at length by the Committee, and it has provisionally been agreed that the £5K Swiss GPS Mark would be most suitable and final pricing is being sought by JB. As there were many apologies for this meeting the debate will be taken forward to the full Committee at January's meeting for approval.

5. Membership

The new online membership system is now open and working well.

6. Club Management

- The Committee thanked DM and all involved for their valued hard work in organising a fantastic Christmas Party.
- DM confirmed that a capacity of 72 diners enjoyed the Christmas Party, but there were late drop-outs that caused organisational problems, he proposes to resolve this in 2024 by requesting full payment at time of booking.

- PH advised on extra Club maintenance additional to the previous minutes. The new weather station will be commissioned by CB in the new year, the lock on the Race Office door will be repaired by CB and a deep clean of the kitchen will take place in January (to be organised by DM).
- Noise continues to be an issue when the Club is busy, JB has some sound panels that he will loan to the Club, they will be erected to see if any noise reduction can be achieved.

7. Treasurer's Report

- PH reported that the day-to-day running of the Club is covered by income from the membership fees and the bar takings are extra income (surplus).
- The movement of £20K to a savings account has been agreed by the Committee.
- The bar turnover was £53K to the end of November with a profit after costs of £24K (40%).
- An electricity sub-meter will be installed in the kitchen to assess how much energy is being used, the new solar panels will help offset these energy costs.

8. Club Development

DO advised the Committee that the planning application for the solar panels and bar store have been submitted, there will be a 56 day wait for approval. Please find attached document pertaining to the Pontoon Project containing more information.

9. Newsletter:

PH reported that the newsletter is complete and will be circulated to members shortly.

10. Club Events:

The first event of 2024 will be the Treasure Hunt in January.

11. PoFSA:

Congratulations to Gaye who has been elected as the Chair of PoFSA, she has received much positive PR.

12. AOB

- DM has advised that Club trophies need to be insured by the holder or returned to FSC for safe keeping.
- CB has added the cleaning of the clubhouse roof to the list of winter maintenance, he will investigate this in more detail and report back to the committee.
- PH asked if the committee present would be happy to continue in their roles for 2024, all agreed. A current list of Committee members must be posted on the notice board by 31st December 2023 by TS.

Date of next meeting Wednesday 17th January 2024 at 19:00