Safety Harbor Boat Club Meeting Minutes May 2, 2012

Officers Present: Jack Meyers, Commodore (acting)/Vice Commodore; Marty Horowitz, Treasurer (acting); Cindy Anderson, Secretary, and, John Viverito, Commodore Elect

Jack Meyers, as acting Commodore, called the meeting to order at 18:32 with 21 members, plus officers, present.

Mr. Dave Ellis from the Clearwater Sailing Center gave a presentation on reading weather, understanding weather patterns and resources available regarding weather and tides. It was well received and very informative.

Commodore Report:

Jack Meyers accepted the resignation of Von Taylor, thanked him for his contribution, and welcomed him as a club member.

Jack asked for nominations for the Commodore opening and Dale Cuddyback nominated John Viverito, Marty Horowitz seconded it, and no more nominations were made so a vote was held - All in attendance voted yes to accept John Viverito as the new club Commodore.

Emily Wagner, guest of Ellen Henderson, was welcomed.

The 'hold harmless' agreement that's been discussed was nullified.

Last month a motion was made and seconded to allow amendments to the club's Constitution/ByLaws at times other than only at the annual meeting. It was brought to the floor for discussion and then it was voted on and accepted into being with all in favor except 1.

The Treasurer position is still open and asking members to please consider taking the role as we need to find a replacement for Marty, who graciously is the "acting" Treasurer.

Vice Commodore Report:

Jack announced that the weekly Wednesday night races, which were starting at 6pm, have been advanced to a 6:30pm start now that it's staying light later, and it was reported that there were typically 2-3, sometimes up to 5, boats participating. There are also some Saturday races set up – check website for tides and start times which generally are at 2pm.

Barry, our Party Chair, has reserved the Marina Pavilion for Sunday of the Memorial Day weekend, 5/27, for a Memorial picnic. He asked for helpers to coordinate and Ellen asked for decorators to assist as well. The club will provide hamburgers, hot dogs and water and everyone is to bring a side or desert to share.

The Rusty Pelican has contacted us regarding our intention to have our Holiday party there again this year - Barry will follow up. It was suggested that maybe we look at doing a lunch instead of a dinner and a few suggestions on possible location to hold it, Nantucket Bucket (the old Heathers) and Whiskey Joes, were mentioned.

The SHBC has been invited to participate in the Boca Ciega Yacht Club's Labor Day Raft Up event. It starts with a party on Saturday 9/1 and the raft up is on Sunday 9/2. The cost is \$15 per person and includes beer and the party. It is a 6 hour cruise to get there. If anyone's interested we do need to let them know so they can accurately plan the rafting schedule.

Jack is looking for input on other activities – please contact him with your ideas/suggestions to him.

Secretary Report:

March and April minutes were distributed in mid-April and they were accepted.

Treasurer's Report:

Marty reported the financials of the club for April were: Income was \$97.13 from dues and \$14 from 50/50, Expenses were \$137.58. The bank balance is \$1381 including \$110 in petty cash. These were accepted and seconded.

Discussion:

Barry recommended doing some raft up so as to include all SHBC members (including kayakers, motor boaters, etc) as a club activity.

Dick Greenhalph told the story of getting his boat to the Gulfport marina and when he got there, Jim who used to work at the Safety Harbor Spa, took his lines.

Barry joined Steve and they sailed to St Petersburg last Friday to race in the St. Petersburg Sailing Association's weekly Friday night race and had a great time.

The Yacht Club in Treasure Island will be having the Morgan Invasion and the Catalina Rondesvu the weekend of 5/18-20.

Ellen Henderson mentioned the Bikini Cup will be happening on 5/12 and the Boca Ciega Yacht Club in Gulfport is hosting it. Several of our club members are campaigning various boats in the event. There is an open invite for club members to come to the after party, a pot luck and BYOB, if they want to.

The 50/50 drawing was won by Dick Greenhalph and Margaret Clark won the door prize (a folding chair).

The next meeting of the SHBC will be Wednesday 6/6 at 6:30 at the Safety Harbor Library.

Meeting was adjourned at 19:48pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Anderson, Secretary/Scribe