

**Saskatchewan Sailing Clubs Association  
Board of Directors - Minutes of Meeting  
August 28, 2023 at 7:00 PM  
Via Zoom**

**Present:** Travis Wiens (President), Charles Morgan (Vice President), Molly Bell (Treasurer), Charlene Eger (Member at Large), Heather White (Executive Director), Timur Rudnistkiy (Member at Large), Bruce Lyle (Member at Large), Joe Gerlinski (Racing Director),

**Regrets:** John Oteruelo (Member at Large), Patrick Echerman (Member at Large), Lewis Oteruelo (Member at Large), Joe Gerlinski (Racing Director),

**Call to Order**

Travis called the meeting to order 7:00 PM

**Norms**

*“Our task is to govern the SSCA to the best of our ability in the best interests of the full provincial sailing community. We do this from a culture of candor, acknowledging and learning from our mistakes and accepting comments as areas for improvement, not criticism”*

**Approval of agenda**

**MOTION:** To accept the Agenda. M/S/C Travis/Molly **CARRIED**

**Management of conflicts of interest**

*Standing item for board members to disclose any conflicts of interest they may have with agenda items. They will be noted with the items in question and our plan for mitigating the conflict or perceived conflict of interest.*

**Approval of Minutes of July 24, 2023 Meeting.**

**MOTION:** To accept the revised meeting minutes of the July 24, 2023 meeting. M/S/C Travis/Molly **CARRIED**

**Governance**

- Bylaw and Policy Review Committee
  - **Report:**
    - Ben Gerbinski is completed reviewing and sent to Travis. He is invited to the next board meeting to present his findings to the board.
    - Also suggested we invite the external members from the committee to the meeting to have everyone involved.
    - **New Safe Sport Policy** has been proposed by Sask Sport. The policy appears to be closer to Sail Canada’s so there should be less issues there. Sails Canada and Sask Sport are going to work together to try and work through the differences.
  - **Appointment to the Board**
    - **Conflict of interest** – Timur is a family member and will not vote

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**Motion:** To appoint Ilia Rudnitskiy to Board of Directors as Communication Director. M/S/C Travis/Molly  
**CARRIED**

**Treasurer Report**

- We are caught up with the financial reports for the year. There are a couple items omitted and added in error in June that will be corrected for July
- Have started preparations for budget. Have built on previous years information so we can compare to past years spending more easily as well as year to date to better drive decision making at budget time. Aim to have budget for the next board meeting.
- Spending on maintenance and boats has been low so we may want to visit what needs replacing before the end of the year.

**MOTION:** To accept the financial reports through June as presented. M/S/C Molly/Travis **CARRIED**

**MSS Report**

- **Report** – Last sailing school happened last week. Have got excellent feedback from the attendees.
  - Some parts have been ordered for repairs on boats.
  - The attendance was varied on the clubs, still haven't compared year over year.
  - Expect to have more of a report for the next meeting.
  - Cheques have been sent out to all the clubs for their fees, and quite a few have paid their portion as well
  - May want to host some higher-level courses to help us train up potential instructors. There is a higher risk as there is less interest so SSCA may need to host this.
  - We were looking to have training for instructors for this year, but Karl is not fully certified so he needs to attend a course in Montreal in October to get that certification. This does mean the instructor course would not be able to happen till the spring.

**Communication Committee**

- **Report**
  - The clubs have been appreciating the increased communication
  - No issues at this time from the member clubs
  - In the future board members being the communicators should stay the norm, as it gives more options for people to reach out.

**Report from the Racing Director**

- Provincial Champions:
  - ILCA 7 Masters Overall: L.P. Gagnon
  - ILCA 6 and Women's Masters Overall: Heather White
  - ILCA 7 Apprentice: Ilia Rudnitsky
  - ILCA 7 Master: Lewis Oteruelo
  - ILCA 7 Grand Master: L.P. Gagnon
  - ILCA 4 Youth: Cora White
  - ILCA 6 Youth: Jeremiah Carter

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- Later in the season: 2.4 mr at Meota, catamaran at PA Sept 2-3

**Report from Executive Director Search Committee**

- **Conflict of interest** – giving a non-confidential update, for things that may give an advantage to potential candidate a in-camera session with non-involved parties is available to the board members
- **Report:** Originally posted combined ED/Provincial Coach position with soft deadline of Sept 1. Based on feedback from potential applicants, we have added the option of applying separately for ED and Technical Director positions. Deadline for the split positions is September 14<sup>th</sup>, we will have interviews and look to hire shortly after that.
- Question regarding the requirements for the \$5,000 youth assistance came up. Molly read over the motion (copied below). Heather to follow up on what age would be the limitation for this \$5,000.

*Quote from May 18, 2023 Minutes: "Motion to provide \$5,000 to divide proportionally to clubs based on the number of Canada games eligible sailors who complete at least one organized race over the summer and consent to be contacted next year. M/S/C Travis, Charles CARRIED"*

**Next Meeting**

Monday, September 25, 2023 7:00 pm

**Motions** we move to in-camera. M/S/C Travis/Molly **CARRIED**

**Motion** to move out of in-camera –M/S/C Travis/Molly **CARRIED**

**Motion** to adjourn M/S/C Tavis/Charles **Carried**