

**Saskatchewan Sailing Clubs Association  
Board of Directors - Minutes of Meeting  
September 25, 2023 at 7:00 PM  
Via Zoom**

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

**Regrets:** Heather White (Executive Director), John Oteruelo (Member at Large), Patrick Echerman (Member at Large), Lewis Oteruelo (Member at Large),

**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 August 28, 2023 Meeting.**

**MOTION:** To accept the revised meeting minutes of the Aug 28, 2023 meeting. M/S/C Travis/Timur **CARRIED**

**Communication Director**

- Introduction of Ilia Rudnitskiy – Has a history in sailing and in website so a great fit for the association.
- Report
  - There are a lot of photos that were taken around the province this year. Would like to hold a photo contest for the year to help drive engagement before the end of the season
  - Would like to work on cleaning up the website, and driving more knowledge of sailing in the province.

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**Governance**

- Bylaw and Policy Review Committee
  - **Report:**
    - Have been having meetings. Meeting with Ben on Wednesday to get some clarification on some of the recommendations and be ready for the next meeting.
  - **Nominating Committee**
    - We do not have a past president to take the position of chair so we will elect from the other board members.
    - Suggested from the policy is three members from different clubs.
    - Charles nominated Bruce Lyle to chair the committee. Bruce accepted the nomination

**Motion** – Appoint Bruce Lyle to be the chair of the nominating Committee. M/S/C Travis/ Charles  
**CARRIED**

Bruce to form the committee prior to the next meeting and start work.

**Treasurer Report**

**MOTION:** To accept the July financial report as presented. M/S/C Molly/Charles **CARRIED**

- Reviewed draft budget for the year.
- As we have reduced spending this year the plan is to carry those extra funds to use next year. Heather is confirming that this is okay for Sask Sport.
- The Canada summer Jobs Grant has been reduced this year across our entire area. It is unknown if that will remain in the future but that is a way, we had kept costs down for the MSS in the past so may need to consider passing some of that on to the clubs. We also have Stripe fees that the SSCA has absorbed the cost of for the last 2 years. Will need to finalize the prices to give clubs a warning at AGM.

**MOTION:** To accept budget as presented M/S/C Molly/Bruce **CARRIED**

**MSS Report**

- **Report**
  - Got a really good return rate on the MSS survey
  - Almost all respondents were really good, just one negative that we are investigating
  - There were not any comments about high cost of lessons so we should be able to increase fees
  - There is a new 420's and 2 Opti's that were purchased at a going out of business sale
  - We have names for potential instructors for this year, will hire once we have the technical director in place

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**Communication Committee**

- **Report**
  - The clubs have been appreciating the increased communication
  - Reminder needs to be sent to the clubs for MAP Grant final reports need to be submitted

**Report from the Racing Director**

- Provincial Champions:
  - Catamaran provincial results from PA Sept 2-3 Champions are Courtney Wozniak and Ryan Knudsen
  - Were not able to launch 2.4's so were unable to hold the championships.

**Report from Executive Director Search Committee**

- **Report**
  - We have at least one candidate for both positions that we are interviewing this week
  - Expect to have results for the next meeting
- Emailing and phoning the number on the website is not getting responded to. Travis to let Heather know.

**Next Meeting**

Monday, October 23, 2023 7:00 pm

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