

## **GSC GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**

### **October 20, 2020**

The October 2020 general meeting of Gulfstream Sailing Club was held on October 20, 2020, online via Zoom due to the Coronavirus pandemic and restrictions on public gatherings.

**Present:** BOARD: Eric Kobrin, *Vice Commodore*; Linda Gossett, *Rear Commodore*; Ben Bowen, *Treasurer and Past Commodore*; Dave Notman and Mary Brown, *Directors*; Luis Oliveira, *Lake Director*.

PAST COMMODORES: Ben Bowen, Luis Oliveira, Gregg Henry, Jim Webb and Jay Wood.

ALSO PRESENT: Jordan Read and Christine Fulford, Betty Lou Webb, Sam Walker, Doug Brown, John and Carol Lucas.

**Commodore's Comments – Phil Decker was absent due to medical leave. Eric Kobrin presided.**

- Called to order around 7pm.
- Eric presented a brief statement from Commodore Phil Decker, thanking Eric and those who stepped up and offered support during his absence.
- Nominating Committee report, in Kay's absence. Here is the governing board as nominated:

#### [Governing Board of the Gulfstream Sailing Club for 2021](#)

<b><i>Commodore:</i></b>	Eric Kobrin
<b><i>Vice Commodore:</i></b>	Linda Gossett
<b><i>Rear Commodore:</i></b>	Dave Notman
<b><i>Lake Director:</i></b>	Luis Oliveira
<b><i>Treasurer:</i></b>	Ben Bowen
<b><i>Secretary:</i></b>	Kay Harrison
<b><i>Past Commodore:</i></b>	Phil Decker
<b><i>Members at Large:</i></b>	Paul Hinden
	Mary Brown
	Bob Schudy

- Call for nominations from the membership yielded crickets. So the governing board for 2021 will be as published above, and no elections are needed.

**Secretary's Report**

The general meeting minutes from last member meeting are on the website. Linda moved to waive the reading of the minutes, and Jim Webb seconded.

**Guests:** There were no guests.

#### **Treasurer's Report – Ben Bowen**

General Account	\$ 5,499
Sailor's Point Lake Account	\$ 14,294

- Ben says the \$767 check to the IRS has cleared, and Dave asked why a nonprofit was paying taxes. Ben answered that we are earning income from the Vanguard account that is taxed.

#### **Membership Report – Ben Bowen**

1. 72 active member families
2. Welcome to Enrique Soto and family, owners of a 25' Catalina sailboat.

#### **Ocean Race and Cruising Committees**

Eric explained that oceans are the big wet things we like to put boats on, and that he would like to hear about any sailing that does go on, so other members can sail vicariously. If two or more boats go out at once, please let everyone know who got past the mark first, he said. That would be a race.

Cruising: Jordan Read indicated that he and Christine would be departing for Cape Canaveral around the beginning of November. Eric suggested that Jordan take pictures and share the experience at the next meeting.

#### **Social Committee – Mary Brown**

Mary asks that everyone please join the Tuesday evening virtual Happy Hours, and noted that we won't have a Thanksgiving or Holiday celebration in person. A suggestion was made by Eric and approved by Mary of a virtual celebration of cooking – sharing holiday cooking or baking recipes in a Zoom setting. Mary will organize and let members know how to participate. It was noted that Brenda Kobrin has a bakery business where she does these baking sessions online, and could be a help in this effort.

#### **Lake Committee – Luis Oliveira**

- There was one race day scheduled but had to be cancelled due to bad weather. Fall Series III is next Saturday.
- Coconut Grove Sailing Club races every other weekend. Luis is working on trailers so up to 7 boats will be able to trailer to these events in Biscayne Bay.
- Kids Learn to Sail classes going on with 9-10 students. Looking into a Christmas break sailing class.
- Adult Learn to Sail classes scheduled for 11/21-22.

- 420 Fleet: Enrique has been working on the 420s and is interested in reviving the fleet. He has teenage kids who are interested in sailing.
- Starting a kids' racing program, with 4 kids going to the CGSC youth regatta Oct. 31-Nov. 1.
- The shade structure is up and works really well. Not waterproof but provides cool shade.
- Got rid of old inflatables, racks, etc. and has spent time on refurbishing the boats. The bottom painting project worked really well.

**Old business:** None.

**New Business:** Ben announced there would be no changes to dues for the upcoming year. (A round of applause.)

Also, Jim Webb announced that No Name Harbor and the restaurant are now open, and boats are anchored there.

**Linda moved to adjourn. Mary seconded. Meeting adjourned.**

Respectfully submitted by:

Kay D. Harrison, GSC Secretary