# GSC GENERAL MEETING MINUTES March 16, 2021

The March 2021 general meeting of Gulfstream Sailing Club was held online via Zoom on March 16, 2021.

**Present:** BOARD: Eric Kobrin, *Commodore*; Linda Gossett, *Vice Commodore*; Phil Decker, *Past Commodore*; Ben Bowen, *Treasurer*; Kay Harrison, *Secretary*; Mary Brown and Bob Schudy, *Directors*; and Luis Oliveira, *Lake Director*.

PAST COMMODORES: Phil Decker, Ben Bowen, Gregg Henry, Luis Oliveira.

ALSO PRESENT: Sam Walker, John and Carol Lucas, Mark Stella, and Mari Guarda.

### **Commodore's Comments**

- Called to order at 7:10pm.
- Eric noted that he didn't realize just how much he missed being on the water until he went kayaking on Indian River Lagoon in a "catamaran-kayak" he had found on his property and refurbished. Thinking of the club, he mentioned that Dave Notman has a trailer capable of carrying a number of kayaks, and it would make a safe, fun outing. Eric encouraged the social committee to come up with a plan.

# Science Committee - Bob Schudy

- Pandemic update: Vaccinations should be available for everyone by May.
- CDC Guidelines for Vaccinated / Unvaccinated people:



Discussion about the guidelines from the CDC: As more people get vaccinated, fewer restrictions will be required. For sailing, if all unvaccinated people are from a single household, no restrictions are needed to sail, race, etc. Unvaccinated high-risk participants should be protected by masks, hand washing, etc. by all other people present. Until all people are fully vaccinated, our activities should be held outside.

**Guests** - No guests were present.

# Secretary's Report - Kay Harrison

 Minutes of the February member meeting and the Mar. 3 board meeting are posted on the website. Reading of the minutes was waived; motion by Bob and seconded by Phil.

# Treasurer's Report – Ben Bowen

General Account \$ 7,676.91 Sailor's Point Lake Account \$ 13,728.74

- The club's income taxes for the year 2020 are in progress.
- 2018 IRS audit is still in limbo.
- The insurance policy has been renewed.

# Membership Report - Ben Bowen

- 45 active member families
- 32 members have not renewed from 2020.

Ocean Racing and Cruising: Nothing to report.

### Social – Mary Brown, reporting from Virginia

- Virtual happy hour continues on Zoom on Tuesday nights.
- Social gathering: A beach picnic is planned for April 24 on Mizzell Beach. Food could be purchased from Publix deli, and a pavilion could be rented. CDC guidelines recommend hand washing and mask wearing for all. We can supply masks, hand sanitizer and hand washing station.
- Dave Notman has previously talked about bringing kayaks for members to use, possibly launching at Whiskey Creek. Dave was not in attendance to deny this.
- Waterway Clean-up: Lucases, Browns and Deckers participated.

## Lake Report: Luis Oliveira (recovering nicely from a brief battery malfunction)

The Winter Series IV small boat race was held with 13 boats participating (a new record!).
 Six entered from Coconut Grove Sailing Club. Third place was Sharon Crockett, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Luis Oliveira, and 1<sup>st</sup> Place was Bob Weinstein. The Spring Series of small boat racing starts April 3.

- Next weekend (March 20-21), five boats are traveling to Miami to take part in Miami Sailing Week.
- Kids Learn to Sail Sunday series ends on April 11, with a new one starting April 18. A Spring Break Sailing camp is going on starting Monday with five kids signed up.
- Adult Learn to Sail: There are now 4 people registered for an April 17-18 class, and four more have received registration paperwork.
- 420 fleet still needs people to help bring the boats back to life, and organize races.
- Eric asked if Luis is in the market for used Sunfish boats, and he is but only if the hulls are in good shape.

# Unfinished business: None New Business:

- Grant Husted, past commodore of the South Florida Sailors and Boaters, passed away last week in a small plane crash. He was well known to many members, owned a sailboat called Northern Star, and participated in several boatathlons.
- Luis noted that Tony Elliot, who is active in GSC Sunfish racing, is in Broward General in intensive care and going through a rough time.
- John and Carol Lucas visited former members Jim and Rosemary Mahon in their new home near Labelle and brought back a message that they "miss everybody."
- It is hereby recorded in the minutes that the Pompano Beach Flea market was cancelled, and that Bill Bradley "has stuff."

Phil moved for adjournment and noted that he hadn't made a motion in years. (Eric said they have pills for that.) Kay seconded. Meeting adjourned at 7:57pm.

Respectfully submitted by: Kay D. Harrison, GSC Secretary