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November Shield Class Governing Board Meeting
Tuesday, November 12th, 2018, 8pm EST

Attendance

Eric Anderson – President
Jay Dayton – Treasurer
Richard Robbins – VP
Bill Berry – Co-Fleet Capt, Fleet 10
Ken Deyett – Co-Fleet Capt, Fleet 10
Ted Slee – Fleet Capt, Fleet 9
Doug Millar – Fleet Capt, Fleet 1

President's Report

Winter Print Masthead – Eric reminded all fleet captains and all content contributors of the deadline for submission of Wednesday, 11.21. Also requested high resolution photos Scheduled timeframe for delivery of bulk mailing bundles is around Christmas time.

Renewal of Grant Programs for 2019 – Eric reminded the group that the two National Regatta Grant programs approved in February were slated for 2 years. He asked if there was any concern with continuing the programs. There was no concern, however, it was decided that the Newcomer Grant might need some changes for this year's event. There were no grantees for this program in 2018. Eric asked the attendees to consider, what if any modifications should be made to either program for 2019. Motions would be considered and voted on during the January 2019 meeting.

New Fleet in Michigan – Fleet 18 in Lake Macatawa, MI has reconstituted. John Gronberg has been in touch with Eric several times over the past month. They have 4 Shields and owners and potentially a few more are interested. Lake Macatawa is on the eastern shore of Lake Michigan, not far from Grand Haven and Muskegon. John will visit Eric in Monterey later this month to review fleet 18 plans for the new year.

Proposed Rules Changes – Eric mentioned there was some momentum for changes to eligibility requirements for professionals competing in the national regatta and for needing 10 races each year for sails already having 10 races in previous years. He asked the group to confirm these issues were relevant and asked what the process would be. Richard stated that several members of Fleet 10 had formed a committee to review the professional crew item. They said preliminary thoughts are that the current class rule may be in conflict with RRS 79 and its reference to ISAF Rule 22, Classification of Sailors. There was further discussion about class rules and professionals. Fleet 10 said they would continue to study and bring a report to an upcoming board meeting. Ted, on behalf of Fleet 9, offered to participate in this committee. There was no discussion on number of races for sails. Recommendations from this committee are expected for the January Meeting.

Jay delivered the Treasurer's Report. The class has a balance of \$10,971.15 as of November 15, 2018. All 2018 fleet dues have been collected.

There was no Secretary's Report.

There was no Technical Committee Report

2019 Ocean-Great Lakes Challenge Eric Anderson

Dates are Fri-Sun 4/26-4/28 - Monterey, CA

Eric report that the local committee would be meeting to develop a draft NOT for presentation at the January 2019 Meeting. Entry Fees should be same range as 2018 event and they expect to provide 10 boats.

No update on 2018 National Regatta

Dates are Thu-Sun 9/18-9/21 in Chicago, IL

2020 National Regatta

Dates TBD

Jay reported that Peter Bailey will again act as the event chairperson

Submitted by Eric Anderson