**Piseco Yacht Club**

 **Minutes from Memorial Day Meeting**

**May 25, 2014**

Commodore Frank Sczerzenie convened the meeting at 2:05PM. In attendance were Frank Sczerzenie, Doug McIlroy, Mark Godecki, Judy Ford, Dave Ford, Chips Arend, and Mary Hyde. The minutes from the August Dinner Party meeting were read by Secretary Mary Hyde. A spin-off discussion as a result of the minutes ensued - why do we need three boats for a class race but only two boats are required to hold a race. We think this should be changed, but should those attending this meeting make the decision or should it be voted on by the general membership? Mary Hyde moved to require only two boats for a class race and only two boats necessary to hold a race. Mark Godecki seconded the motion, and it was passed. The minutes were also accepted. It should be noted that at the Dinner Party last August, we voted to score all of a Skipper’s races together regardless of the type of boat he sails.

Treasurer Judy Ford was concerned that we had more expenses last year than revenue. Should we raise the dues? Frank stated that many of the expenses last year were extraordinary due to the fire. Also, we spent a lot on buoy repairs, which we shouldn’t need to do for a while. Judy said that we had been trying to build up the balance for large Committee Boat expenses, but since we don’t have a boat anymore, that will not be necessary. We decided to keep the dues the same as last year, which were $40.00 sailing member, and $20.00 nonsailing member.

There will be a meeting of the Piseco Lake Association on June 28th. We would like to briefly have the floor at this meeting to promote the club in order to get new members. Frank Sczerzenie has volunteered to speak about the Piseco Yacht Club. We need to bring membership forms.

The next order of business was to work on this year’s racing and social schedule. The buoy assignments are the same as last year and are listed on the schedule. Frank has offered his own party boat to those who want to use it. Both the boat and the supplies/equipment needed to run the races will be kept at Frank’s new lakehouse. The supplies/equipment will be kept under the deck. Everything is accessible either by car or by water.

We will hold the Poker Run this year, but we need volunteers to man the various points on the lake: #1 is near buoy #4, #2 is in Higgins Bay, and #3 is at the Sand Bar. Mary and Gary Hyde will take Higgins Bay, Frank Sczerzenie will take the Sand Bar. Judy Ford will call Roseanne Beaudouin to see if she will man Buoy #4. We will also ask Tom Tys if he will do it should Ed and Lois Cox let us use their raft.

Lois Cox is recovering from serious heart surgery. If you would like to send her a card, her address is Lois Cox, PO Box 34, Old Piseco Road, Piseco, NY 12139.

We will try to have our Awards Party at the Irondequoit Inn again this year, and we would like a sit-down dinner. Mary Hyde will ask if it is possible, as there are new Innkeepers this year.

 Tiff Ford is a new member, and we would like to show him how to do Committee Boat duty. Frank Sczerzenie will reach out to him.

Chips mentioned that he has learned that it is becoming the trend for most clubs to sail only a windward and leeward leg and are not doing a triangle anymore. The Portsmouth Handicap figures that we use to score our races will reflect this change. Should we change our course to be in sync? We need to think about this.

Commodore Frank Sczerzenie adjourned the meeting around 3PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mary Hyde

Secretary