

Cortez Racing Association

Minutes of Regular Board of Directors Monthly Meeting Date: Thursday, October 5, 2023,
Location: Blue Wave

1. Call to Order: 1847

Roll Call: Keith Ericson, Shelly Raming, Rich Chambers, Chuck Bowers, Susi Graff, Jay Sorensen, Dale Geaney, Colleen Cooke, Lynsi Gibbons, Renee Hirsh

2. Quorum – YES - *Article V: Section 7. Meetings: A regular meeting shall be held each month. Seven Officers shall constitute a quorum.*

3. Introduction of Guests: *NONE*

4. Announcements: NONE

5. Review and Approve Minutes: September 7, 2023 on website - *approved – Vote: YES unanimous*

6. Treasurer's Report to include Accounts Receivable: *Downing Family Foundation donation \$10,000 received – RC boat Dennis Conner expenses paid*

7. Email Votes - NONE

8. Old Business

CRA Race Check List -

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/18kLpicb_YzPcxa6udOI8pwK46ZLPEvoFu1lrSH91AQ/edit?ts=569810eb#gid=2135070042

a. DC Around the Coronados 9/23 - *very fast*

b. Halloween Regatta, 10/28 – *no venue yet maybe Koehler Kraft – free food and/or free drinks and/or something else*

c. Fall Regatta 11/11 - *same day as sailing Star of India – need venue*

d. Year End Regatta, 12/9 – *need venue*

e. Annual Meeting/Holiday Party, 12/11 – *PHRF SD is wanting to combine with CRA for the event – cut off 5 days early for reservations - \$35 per person to attend*

f. RC boat “Dennis Conner” – monthly report by Colleen Cooke – *Mark’s Marine Electric has been working on the boat – no more starting problems – new varnish on railing and being covered to protect the varnish – oil change scheduled very soon – mast is up and very useful*

g. CRA History – Joe LaBarge – *not present - Joe is resigning from the Board*

9. New Business

a. Next year’s Board – *Keith - Secretary, Dale – Fleet Captain, Susi - Communications, Shelly - Treasurer, Colleen – Race Committee, Lynsi - Membership, Renee – Director at Large, Chuck - Commodore, Jay – Vice Commodore, and Rich – Junior Staff Commodore - all willing to stay next year – open Rear Commodore and PHRF Representative – must ask Mike about Ways and Means*

b. *PHRF SD 2024 rating requirements – Colleen suggests CRA should open races to other rating agencies other than PHRF SD because of the burden on our members to now submit a VPP to get a PHRF SD rating in 2024 - discussion – no action*

c. Location for next meeting - SGYC

d. **Sportsman of the Year** - This award must be given to a CRA member.

The Sportsman of the Year shall have performed deeds and/or services of an exceptional nature, which have directly benefited the Cortez Racing Association

The Sportsman of the Year contributed directly or indirectly to the advancement and promotion of our sport and CRA. This individual demonstrated an extraordinary example of sportsmanship during the year, or can be based on years of continuous contributions to CRA and the sport of racing.

Secret vote sent by text to Commodore

e. **Yachtsman of the Year** - This award must be given to a CRA member.

This award will be given for Excellence in Yachtmanship. Our organization is a racing body and therefore, this must be primarily based on race results, in particular the CRA High Point Series.

The Yachtsman of the Year should recognize someone whose level of sportsmanship, service, and achievement sets a standard to which others should aspire. In doing so they reflect favorably upon the reputation of CRA and its members.

Excellence in Yacht Racing must include overall sportsmanship and behavior.

To be determined after Fall Regatta

f. SCYA Awards – see Additional Information below

g. SDAYC Awards – *Nominate Barret Canfield for Alonso D Jessop Award – Susi and Colleen volunteer to submit application*

10. New Member applications sent by email for approval vote since the last meeting - NONE

11. New Member applications (in need of approval)

James Hardie, regular, Flying Tiger

Approved – Vote: YES unanimous

12. Directors Reports:

Commodore: *no report*

Vice Commodore: *no report*

Rear Commodore: *no report*

Fleet Captain: *CRA has submitted its 2024 calendar – perhaps March Madness will have its name changed to show Safe Harbor as sponsor – do we want to do our usual ad in SDAYC 2024 Race Calendar \$750 – vote: YES 7, NO 0, abstain 2*

Secretary: *no report*

Treasurer: *no report*

Communications Director: *not present*

Director at Large: *no report*

Director at Large Ways & Means: *not present*

Junior Staff Commodore: *no report*

PHRF Representative: *not present*

Membership Director: *no report*

Race Committee Chair: *no report*

13. Adjourn

14. Next Regular Meeting: Thursday, November 2, 2023