

Cortez Racing Association

Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors Monthly Meeting Date: Thursday, October 3, 2024,
Location: SWYC

1. Call to Order: 1833

Roll Call: Keith Ericson, Jerry Lewis, Rich Chambers, Dale Geaney, Shelly Raming, Colleen Cooke, Lynsi Gibbons, Chuck Bowers, Ryan Rogers

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 5, 2024 – *approved – Vote: YES unanimous*

6. Treasurer's Report to include Accounts Receivable and additional info requested at last meeting concerning low balance and expenses – from Ryan Rogers by email: It seems pretty clear the Dennis Connor is the driver for our financial woes. With the Downing donation, I believe we go ahead with the currently needed repairs. However, moving forward I believe we need to 1. Solicit other donors to support the Dennis Connor, and 2. create a budget for the DC for routine maintenance and some additional money allocated to a corrective maintenance reserve (we may have already done this, but I'm not aware of it). *Received \$20,000 from Downing Family Foundation*

Formed Sub Committee for next year's budget: Colleen, Dale, Shelly, Lynsi, Keith to report back at November meeting

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. Dennis Conner Around the Coronados, 9/14 – *plenty of wind - fast race for all – Margo needs to confirm SD Boatworks as sponsor for this race*

- b. Halloween Regatta, 10/26 – Margo confirmed by email Doyle Sails will sponsor – need to confirm SWYC as venue, food, drink - need: RC boat, photographer – *SWYC confirmed by Shelly – expect DC to be RC boat – Margo needs to confirm photographer – Doyle doing race awards – CRA doing costume awards – 2 best teams, 1 funniest, 1 most original, 1 Judge’s choice – Dale to get these prizes*
- c. Fall Regatta, 11/16 – need: sponsor, RC Boat, photographer – confirm SGYC as venue, food, drink – *RC boat DC – Rich to confirm SGYC*
- d. Year End Regatta, 12/14 – confirm Ullman sails as sponsor – need: permit, RC boat, venue, food drink, photographer – *RC boat DC – Margo to confirm sponsor and ask sponsor if they have a choice about venue*
- e. RC boat “Dennis Conner” – monthly report by Colleen Cooke – *to be hauled at Koehler Kraft Monday, 10/6/24 – towed by Boat US – refrigerator converted to ice box – work on dry rot still ongoing – through hull valve to be repaired – drive shaft to be repaired*
- f. Insurance – any more discussion after last meeting? – *no action*
- g. SDAYC Awards – anymore? *-they acknowledged receipt - no further action*
- h. Annual Meeting – *Shelly to talk to Renee*
- i. *need to look at nominees for 2025 Board – Chuck, Dale, Keith, Shelly, Susi, Renee, Margo, Lynsi, Rich, Colleen wanting to come back next year - need person to fill position of Vice Commodore or Rear Commodore - possibly need person to fill position of Fleet Captain*
- j. Donation to Sharps Hospice care – *motion: give \$1500 to Sharps when money is available – vote: YES unanimous – wait until next meeting*
- k. From PHRF SD - *Anyone wanting a PHRF rating for 2025 for a boat likely to receive a rating of approximately less than 115 should apply for a rating through PHRF SoCal*

9. New Business – NONE

- a. Next year’s dues – currently \$200 per year – suggested to start asking in November for renewals – suggested to have a raffle for early renewals with a prize at Annual Meeting – maybe let early pay \$200 and late members pay more – let above mentioned Sub Committee to suggest changes to dues

- b. Searching for donations to support RC boat Dennis Connor – *provide a way for members to donate which would likely be a tax deduction – search the membership for someone who has a background in development – Chuck to work on thank you letters*
- c. 2025 Race Calendar – *conflict April 12 Tribute Regatta and SDYC Opening Day – Ryan suggests moving Tribute Regatta to April 5 and ask SWYC to move George Grey – Vote: YES unanimous*

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

11. New Member applications (in need of approval) - NONE

12. Directors Reports:

Commodore: *no report*

Vice Commodore: *vacant*

Rear Commodore: *no report*

Fleet Captain: *no report*

Secretary: *no report*

Treasurer: *no report*

Communications Director: *not present*

Director at Large: *not present*

Director at Large Ways & Means: *not present*

Junior Staff Commodore: *reported by email concerning Request for Redress by Holy Toledo West and Protest by El Sueno versus Creative – see Addendum below*

PHRF Representative: *reported some items from PHRF SD last meeting – those minutes are on PHRF SD web site*

Membership Director: *no report*

Race Committee Chair: *looking forward to Halloween Regatta*

10. 2038 Adjourn

11. Next Regular Meeting: Thursday, November 7, 2024

Addendum

1.

*Holy Toledo West Request for Redress
September 26, 2024*

FACTS FOUND:

1. *Holy Toledo West* is a Hobbie 33 that has been modified.
2. The modifications were not included on the application for an ORR-EZ certificate that was issued on May 22, 2024
3. *Holy Toledo West* entered the Dennis Conner Around the Coronado Isles Race on September 14, 2024.
4. The OA for the Dennis Conner Around the Coronado Isles Race was aware of the modifications and adjusted *Holy Toledo West's* handicap consistent with NoR 1.4.
5. *Holy Toledo West* completed the race.
6. The race committee calculated the results for *Holy Toledo West* with both handicaps and there was no difference in her finishing position in the race.

CONCLUSION:

The race committee did not make an improper action or omission that made *Holy Toledo West's* finishing position significantly worse in the race.

RULES:

62.1(a), ORR-EZ Rule Book, DCACI Race NoR 1.4

DECISION:

Redress not granted.

Protest Committee:

Don Becker

Tony Pelletiera

Sam Rohrbach

El Sueno (ES) v. Creative (CRE)

PROCEDURAL MATTERS

1. Brad Alberts representing ES
2. Ed Sanford representing CRE

Witnesses for ES Nick Wolfe

Louis Tuey

ES hailed protest and displayed a protest flag

CRE heard the hail and saw the protest flag

The protest was filed and received within the time limit

None of the parties object to the composition of the jury

All parties agree to waive the right to arbitration noted in NOR 8.2

The protest is valid and a hearing may begin.

FACTS FOUND

1. TWD was 220 degrees magnetic.
2. TWS was 7-9 kts.
3. Sea state was flat water. Minimal current.
4. ES and CRE were approaching the start line to start, both on a course below close-hauled, overlapped, with CRE to windward of ES, approximately 2 boat lengths below the starboard tack layline from the RC Signal Boat.
5. ES luffed, initially to a close-hauled course and then to head-to-wind.
6. ES did not go past head-to-wind during the incident
7. CRE responded to the luff, luffing to head-to-wind and then slightly past head-to-wind.
8. At one point during the luff, CRE 's jib was luffing, on her starboard side.
9. The distance between the windward side of ES and the leeward side of CRE was 8-10 feet at the closest point.
10. At the starting signal, both boats remained head to wind.
11. Approximately 5 seconds after the starting signal, ES bore away to a close-hauled course. CRE did the same.
12. There was no contact.

CONCLUSIONS

1. ES was the right of way boat obligated to give CRE room to keep clear if altering course.
2. CRE was required to keep clear.
3. ES altered course and gave CRE room to keep clear.
4. CRE responded to ES's course change and kept clear.

RULES THAT APPLY

11, 16.1

DECISION

Protest is disallowed.

Panel

2. Randy Smith NJ Chair, Kim Kymlicka NJ, John Busch NJ