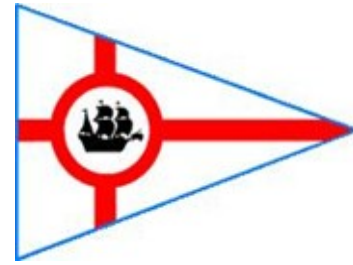


Colington Yacht Club

Board Meeting Minutes 1/14/2025



I. Call to Order

The Board Meeting of the Colington Yacht Club was called to order by Commodore Brandi-Marie Randolph at 5:30pm on Tuesday, January 14, 2025. The meeting was at the home of Janet and Tom Knight.

II. Attendance

Name	Position	Attending
Brandi-Marie Randolph	Commodore	Yes
Geoff Grisham	Past Commodore	No
Tom Knight	Vice Commodore	Yes
Pat McConnell	Treasurer	Yes
Janet Knight	Secretary	Yes
Woody Santy	Rear Commodore	Yes
Open	Fleet Captain	
Geoff Grisham	Youth Sailing Program	No

There is a quorum of board members.

The group discussed the dual Vice Commodore position with Tom Knight and Dave Proulx as sharing this role and Dave will be included in future meetings. Tom and Janet had a misunderstanding from the Annual Meeting. There was chatter among members on multiple topics prior to the Treasurer's Report. Brandi-Marie had questions regarding Youth Sailing items on the 2025 proposed budget. Woody provided details on how arrangements with Hatteras Sailing were established regarding payment last year. Hatteras sent out a notice and requested full payment in lieu of our original idea for a deposit. There is @3.5% loss for each student from tuition collected due to online registration fee charged per student.

III. Treasurer's Report

Pat McConnell reported the balance in the CYC checking account is \$6,663.90. Without donations made last year towards, it would have been much less. Woody stated balance would probably be around \$3,000. Reviewed items from 2025 Proposed Budget line items with multiple discussions. Motion made by Janet Knight to approve the Treasurer's Report which was seconded by Woody Santy and all approved.

Woody discussed all file access is in the Drop Box on the website. Woody and Janet to discuss further to confirm having proper access to Drop Box and the ability to access documents. Woody to provide information to Janet for acquiring a discounted Microsoft Windows package.

IV. Secretary Report.

Approved Meeting Minutes from 12/14/24 Annual Meeting. Janet Knight has assumed this role from Pat McConnell for 2025.

V. Committee Reports

Youth Sailing: Geoff was absent so Woody and Janet passed on information from previous conversations. Janet recalled a previous conversation that all money received from students in 2025, less our expenses, would go to Hatteras Sailing. Woody said he and Geoff discussed that Hatteras Sailing wanted a guaranteed minimum of \$5,000 upfront. There was further discussion regarding having camp in June and again in July if there is a large response for participation. There is a need to raise the price to a more competitive rate with other Summer Programs. We hope to send out a registration with a deposit required vs paid in full like 2024.

Registration and tuition come to CYC and there is a fee to use the website. This includes the Sailing Fee as well as CYC Membership. There was more discussion on a discount if people use check vs online. Most people prefer online and are willing to pay a processing fee. We had 18 students last year, 10 Seniors and 8 Juniors.

Brandi-Marie wants to get with Jay Phillips and Geoff to discuss it in more detail. We need to know our audience to notify those for Sailing Camp i.e. Neighborhood, High School and Middle School. Brandi-Marie has contacts and shared information with the group.

Membership: Group discussion to improve and increase membership. There is a need to get together with the CHA and CHYRC to discuss opportunities for better communication between all. Can we send emails to all? Can we put flyers in or on mailboxes? Tom suggested an Open House for recruiting new members and come have a hot dog at the picnic area. We want to know how to best communicate with the neighborhood. It would be good to get our CYC events on the marquee at the front gate. Brandi-Marie will contact the CHA and CHYRC to schedule a meeting together. We also need methods to access the neighborhood emails addresses and how to get information on their Facebook pages.

We want the neighborhood to know CYC supports Youth Sailing and is also a Social Club for boaters (because current membership has aged and no longer own sailboats). Wednesday sailing is no longer popular. We also support the boat parades in the harbor. We could consider allowing nonmembers to participate in our Poker Runs. We need help with contacting the residents through CHA. Brandi-Marie asked if we are a

member of the Chamber of Commerce and stated if we had a brochure, they would include it on their website.

Change of Watch: Janet asks if we have a budget? She will pursue information with High Cotton again and Outer Banks Catering. We want to try to reduce the amount from \$33 per person to \$25. Jolly Roger advertises catering and will check out facilities with rooms and cash bar. The date for the event will be March 8th. Tom will email the Fire Chief to reserve the facility. We next discussed the St Patrick Day Parade which will be Sunday, March 17th. Tom will contact Steve Buick to see if he will be able to participate with the Yellow Submarine. Change of Watch will be 6p for cocktails, dinner at 6:30p and meeting at 7:15p.

Poker Run: Woody stated we should do one in Spring and one in Fall for optimal weather conditions. He also suggested one should be the Ed Conjura Memorial Poker Poker Run to honor our recently deceased member. Tom suggested May 17th for the Spring Poker Run and we need to contact Birdie and let her know.

Buchanan Cup: Proposed for July 19th. In 2024 there were only 2 boats that participated, and one didn't complete the race. There was no picnic. Woody stated that Manteo now has started their own Yacht Club.

Female Skipper's Race: Woody said he had planned to present a special tee-shirt as recognition for Amy Florence as the winner in 2024 but didn't as the Florences headed out to the Bahamas right after.

VI. Old Business

Woody reported that Insurance is due next week. We are tabling it and not going to pay at this time. The issue is that if we promote sailing to kids at times other than Camp and we have no insurance, what would be the liability? Brandi-Marie says kids would like to sail at various times and can we get a waiver for liability that would protect us? What if kids steal a sailboat and sustain an injury? Tom suggested investigating locking up boats, but thief could still occur. Concern also raised regarding no insurance and the original agreement with HOA when the boat shed was built that we had insurance. Brandi-Marie wants to look at the insurance policy to review.

VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20p. Respectfully submitted by Janet Knight