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MISSION STATEMENT – *The mission of the Fond du Lac Sailing Club is to provide sailing events for the recreation, challenge, and pleasure of the membership, while promoting safety, fellowship and an opportunity to improve sailing skills and knowledge.*

Commodore's Comments

Hi All,
I hope everyone made it through the one week freeze we had, though with this warming trend we will be unfreezing rather quickly. It's time to start those summer boat projects; the weather will be warm again this week (drats). Hopefully the ice will be thick enough for a fun FDLYC Winter Party February 17. The Sailing Club does the work for this party, so put it on your calendar to help at and then attend this gala event.

Keep warm,
Andy Gratton

NEXT MEETING
Thursday, Feb. 1, 7 p.m.
FDL Yacht Club

YOUTH SAILING MEETING
Thursday, Feb. 8, 7 p.m.

COMING EVENTS

FDL Sailing Club hosts the
Winter Ice Party
Saturday, Feb. 17, 1 p.m. to ?

Join the FDL Yacht Club, FDL Sailing
Club, FDL Boating Club and Nauti Gals
Saturday, Mar. 23, 7 p.m.
For a night at the Fondy Bears Hockey
Blue Line Center

Minutes of the FDL sailing club meeting January 5, 2024

Secretary Mike Mahnke excused from the meeting. Thank you, Vice Commodore Phil Gross, for taking the minutes. The meeting was called to order at the FDLYC at 7:00 pm by Commodore Andy Gratton. No guests were in attendance.

The minutes of the October 2023 meeting were approved as published in the Mainsheet - by the membership after motions by Marty Witt and Dave Whealon respectively.

Treasurer Sally Boatman reported on the status of the finances. The treasurer's report was approved by the membership after motions by Marty Witt and Gary Trew respectively.

The proposed budget for 2024 was presented by Sally and approved after motions by Dave Whealon and Kevin Gratton.

Committee Reports:

Day Sailors: No report

Cruiser's: No report

Youth Sailing program: Kevin Gratton shared with the group that he would like to pass the torch for the youth sailing

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program. After decades of leadership in youth sailing, it was suggested that the club have a meeting to explore a replacement.

Old Business:

Members thanked the Whealon's for hosting the December Party.

They also thanked Anne Gratton and Brian Carter for their roles in organizing and catering the Change of Watch and dinner respectively.

Discussion of stickers for race buoys and is there a need to change the batteries for the buoy lights.

Discussion of Dan Entringer race for Day Sailors.

New Business:

Club Dues are due now.

Ice Party is planned for Saturday February 17th. Volunteers are needed for set up on Friday the 16th. Tear down will be on Saturday night or Sunday morning.

The sailing club will host the March 5th FDL Yacht club meeting's dinner. Volunteers needed.

For the good of the club:

There wasn't any interest in resurrecting a "chili dump."

Buddy Melges Movie – Rent it? Andy will take the lead on it.

Dave Lallier mentioned that Andy Gratton was retiring in January. Congrats Andy.

Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned after motions by Don and Marty.

Respectfully submitted:
Phil Gross, Vice Commodore

Dues for 2024

As we enter a new year, it is time to replenish our funds for expenses in the coming year. You can fill out your membership renewal on our website by going to our website and choosing About Us and then Membership form. [Or click here](#). This form is a fill in form so you can just type in your information and then print the completed form from your browser by clicking on the printer icon usually found in the upper right part of the window. Or you can print it out and fill it in by hand. Or you can fill out a form at a future meeting. Dues are still \$20 for renewals plus \$35 for each class of racing that you participate in. If you want to mail in your dues, you can send them to the FDL Sailing Club, c/o FDL Yacht Club, P.O. Box 1930, Fond du Lac, WI 54936.

Note: Whoever made the form didn't leave enough room for an area code, so just put in your 7 digits and write in the area code after you print it should your code not be 920.