

Florida Waterski Federation
Minutes of Annual Meeting
July 13, 2018, Held at Holiday Inn Express, Palm Bay, Florida

President Gordon West called the meeting to order at 7:11 pm. Present at the meeting: Gordon West, President, Stan Switzer, Vice President, Michele Seal, Secretary, Jeff Clark, Treasurer, Brian Guyer and Dennis Longo, Council; Donna Switzer, Jody Seal, Curtis Rabe, Al Sanfanandre, Bill Martins, Troy Baxter, Dana Garcia, Jim Powers, Tracy Powers, and Bill Wenner.

President's Report: Thank you to those who are present for attending.

Secretary's Report: The December 2017 Minutes were reviewed. Motion was made by Dennis Longo to approve the December 2017 Minutes, Jeff Clark seconded and the Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: Jeff Clark presented and reviewed the Treasurer's Report. Brian Guyer moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, Stan Switzer seconded, and the Report was accepted and approved.

The Annual elections then followed:

President: Stan Switzer nominated Dennis Longo, Dennis declined, Jody Seal nominated Brian Guyer and he accepted the nomination. The nominations were closed and Brian was elected by acclamation.

Council Members: Stan Switzer, Dennis Longo, Monica Seal, Bill Martins, and Al Sanfanandre were nominated. Al Sanfanandre declined the nomination. The nominations were closed, votes were collected and tallied; Dennis Longo, Monica Seal, and Stan Switzer were elected.

Vice-President: Brian Guyer nominated Jody Seal for Vice-President and the nomination was accepted. The nominations were closed and Jody was elected by acclamation.

Secretary: Michele Seal was re-elected Secretary by acclamation.

Treasurer: Jeff Clark was re-elected Treasurer by acclamation.

Junior Development chair: Gordon thanked Bill Martins for the work that he has done as Junior Development Coordinator. Troy Baxter, present at the meeting, accepted the appointment by Gordon West to become the new Junior Development Coordinator.

Hall of Fame Committee Members: Prior to the meeting, Charlotte Melchers provided to Gordon the names of the current committee members but did not specify whose terms are up for re-election. Discussion followed about consideration of holding the Hall of Fame induction as a separate event and the reluctance of tournament hosts to hold the Florida State Tournament. The inductees of this year's Hall of Fame are Leza Harrison and Rocky and Laura Pasqua. Leza will be attending but the Pasqua's are not.

Discussion then followed regarding the 2018 Regionals: Brian Guyer has the Florida State banner and tent and will plan to get it to Paducah for Regionals. Stan moved that we provide water and a cooler for skiers and the motion was approved. Dennis asked if he should continue putting together the Florida Team for Regionals and Nationals. Curtis suggested that Camille Tyler may be interested in being the team captain in the future. Gordon appointed Camille and will find out if she accepts the appointment. Dennis and Curtis will coordinate with Camille to get this year's team together. Dennis stated that more team bibs would be beneficial but there is not enough time now to get more. Dennis did order Team hats for this year and they should arrive before Regionals. Gordon asked that Dennis submit the bill to Jeff for reimbursement.

New Business: Jody discussed the Level 10 mandate, stating that it affects many skiers in Florida and the Southern Region. Jody's petition at last year's Nationals had over 300 signatures to rescind Level 10 and yet it wasn't rescinded. Level 10 is currently mandated for Regionals and Nationals but is not mandated for the State tournaments. Jody will bring this to the Regional meeting in Paducah and would like others to help voice this at the Regional meeting. Dennis said that a survey of the SQC (Skiers Qualification Committee) agrees with Level 10, including mandates for juniors. Dana said that the survey was poorly worded which could have resulted in the results reported by Dennis.

Jody thanked Gordon for his service as President.

Donna announced that Dana Garcia is running for National Director and encourages everyone to support Dana in her endeavor. Dana added that she is also seeking appointment to the IWWF committee that is voted on by the Board of Directors at Nationals and would appreciate support for that as well.

Motion was made by Jody Seal and seconded by Brain Guyer to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 pm.

Action items:

- Determine Hall of Fame Committee members whose terms are up.
- Determine if Camille Tyler accepts appointment as the Florida Team Coordinator for Nationals.
- Determine if additional bibs should be ordered for the Florida Team for the 2019 Nationals.