

Minutes of 2022 Annual General Meeting

February 7, 2023 1700 PST 2000 EST

Zoom Meeting called to order by President Evan Jennings at 20h11 EST.

# Item #1: Roll Call:

Marie Gendron	Evan Jennings	Marek Balinski	Brent Beninger	Kyber Lovshin
Paul Place	Fred Grimm	Shonna Moss-Lovshin	Steve Lovshin	Rich Mundell
Renka Gesing	Adam Gesing			

## Approval of the Agenda

The agenda for the meeting had been provided to members by way of attached document to the meeting invitations. There were no comments on the agenda. It was moved by Steve Lovshin and seconded by Brent Beninger that the agenda be accepted as written.

## Item #2: Approval of Minutes of 2021 Annual General Meeting held on January 31 2022.

The minutes of the previous meeting had been provided to members by way of attached document to the meeting invitations. It was moved by Marie Gendron and seconded by Brent Beninger that the minutes be accepted as written. There being no objections. The motion was passed.

#### Item #3: Fleet Reports

- Fleet 1 Vancouver No Fleet 1 event this year. Father and son team Brian and Brendan Trainor made their way down to race in Bellingham Bay. We look forward to the joyous resumption of friendly cross border skirmishes in Cascadia in 2023.
- Fleet 14 Toronto Marek Balinskin: One new competitive boat joined the fleet. According to Marek, the Toronto fleet is more competitive. For the second year the Canadian Champions is from the Toronto Fleet – Robert Bartlewski and Sabina Bartlewska. Two boats from the fleet attend the Midwinters. There is interest to attend the 2023 Worlds in San Francisco. Several teams plan to leave their boats in Kingston and train together every second weekends this summer. There is no event plan in Toronto in 2023.
- Fleet 4 Ottawa/Gatineau Paul Place : The Ottawa 505 fleet had another busy summer. The fleet started its racing season by participating at the local Nepean One Design Regatta which welcomed the fleet with strong winds. Winners of NOD 2022 Kyber Lovshin and Christian Voyer, they are the youngest 505 team to ever win NOD. They showed very good sailing skills in the 4 race series in challenging conditions. The fleet hosted its annual Espoir Camp again (back after a 2-year hiatus due to COVID). The objective of the camp is to introduce young sailors to the 505. In July, the fleet traveled to Kingston to attend the annual Kingston camp. Ali Meller's coaching and video debriefs was very popular. Wednesday evening club racing continued with numbers peaking in July at 8-9 boats. The fleet returned to Kingston in late August for the ECC's and caped of the season with the 505 Canadians in September at the Nepean FANFARE Regatta. One team attend the 2023 Midwinter Shona, Steve and Evania Lovshin.

Fleet Kingston – Renka Gesing : Still 2 boats in Kingston. In 2022, two events took place at KYC, the Training event and the ECC. In 2023 the Training event will take place at KYC on July 15-16 and Canadians at CORK the weekend after, July 22-23.

# Item #4: Officer Reports

**Chief Measurer - Brent Beninger:** No boat was measured in 2022. Evan mentioned that there is a discussion at the international level on centerboard inserts.

Action 1: Brent to keep an eye on the centerboard inserts issue

**Communication Officer/Vice-President – Paul Place:** The class website was regularly updated with regatta/event reports. The members are encouraged to used the group email list to communicate with all members: canada505@lists.bork.org

**President – Evan Jennings:** There are signs of hope after the COVID winter. The number of events and the number of teams actively participating in them grew in the East. Congrats to the father and daughter team Robert Bartlewski and Sabina Bartlewska, our Canadian champions. (This is Robert's second Canadians in a row.) On behalf of the Canadian 5O Class, thanks to the Nepean Sailing Club for hosting the championship and to the volunteers who made it happen. On the West Coast, cross-border events resumed in the fall. Father and son team Brian and Brendan Trainor made their way down to race in Bellingham Bay. We look forward to the joyous resumption of friendly cross border skirmishes in Cascadia in 2023.

The Cork worlds, while smaller, were held, and they produced a good result, including a huge number of our American friends at the top, including a lot of fresh new names, which is exciting and a great portent. Ali Meller represented Canada well. Disruptions in container traffic during the pandemic hurt regatta attendance. More importantly, they hurt the commerce in hulls and parts. The recent plummet in prices bodes well for a healthy resumption of these things.

Looking forward, the San Francisco Worlds will be held this year from 23rd September to 1 October. Winds can very well be in the friendly 16 knot range at that time of year. The venue is the St. Francis Yacht Club, which is a very short sail from the course off the nose of Alcatraz. The water is deep. The amenities are luxurious. There's a new ramp and a lot of grass. If you haven't raced in San Francisco, this is your chance! Robert Tennant is planning to go. Michael Quirk, the President of the International class, is looking for a crew. Let's try to get a strong Canadian showing.

Speaking of promising signs more globally, Australia had its largest national championship in living memory just a couple of weeks ago. And there were a conspicuous number of crews made up of father son / father daughter and newcomer teams. Another sign of a great resurgence after the pandemic.

A few other matters I must report from the international association: The class is thinking of increasing its levy from national associations from five GBP to ten. The Swedes have proposed to make the 5th of May world 5O5 day. (Launch at 5:05 PM?) There are proposed rules changes that our measurer is monitoring. Specifically, regarding centreboard inserts. No rules have been changed, yet. Also, there is a discussion on the use of VHF radios, smart watches, GPS trackers, etc.

All in all, lots of reasons to look forward to a great future with excitement

**Treasurer - Cynthia Des Brisay: Revenues:** The Association's revenues are largely generated by annual dues paid by members. From time to time, there is additional revenue associated with donations and/or surplus net revenues from events that are sponsored by the Association. In 2022, revenues of \$810 were based solely on 2022 Membership dues. Note that amounts collected in 2022 for prepayment of 2023 memberships are recognised in 2023 and therefore not included in the 2022 income statement.

**Expenses:** The Association's main recurring expenses are related to dues paid both to Sail Canada and the International 505 Association and communication costs such as website hosting etc. Other expenses occur from time to time but are generally related to support of major regattas and events. In 2022, the association's expenses were \$1,067 compared to \$647 in 2021. The main difference in expenses were due to funding provided to help support the 2022 East Coast Championships held in Kingston in August.

**Net operations results:** The Association ran an operating deficit of \$187 for the year as compared to a surplus of \$410 in 2021. Due to the nature and timing of non-recurring expenses, it is expected that the association will operate at a small deficit or surplus from year to year. Overall the Association continues to be in healthy financial position.

**Secretary – Marie Gendron:** In 2022 we introduced the possibility to renew the membership for two years. 14 memberships were renewed through this initiative for 2023. The membership renewal notice for 2023 was emailed on December 31, 2022.

2022	28		
2021	33		
2020			
2019	31		
2018	35		
2017	37		
2016	21		

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Bruce Clifford from Brampton who recently bought 9042 and who join the class for 2023.

# Item#5: Administration Update

- <u>Membership Update</u>: 28 members (Family and Individual) in 2022, less then in 2021. The 2023 membership renewal information was emailed to the members in at the end of December 2022.
- <u>Financial Review</u>: 2021 Year-end Financial Report was attached to the meeting notice and invitation.

Evan called for a motion to accept the financial report. It was moved by Renka Gesing and seconded by Shona Lovshin-Moss that the financial report be accepted. There was no objection noted. The financial report is accepted.

## Item #6: 2023 Schedule

A draft schedule of events was reviewed - see attached. Evan will add the west coast events

Action 2: Evan will send the list of West Coast regattas to Marie.

Item #7:	Election/Appointment of Canadian Officers/Directors
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Elected:	Appointments:	
<ul> <li>President – Paul Place</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Regional Measurer – Charles Hansen</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Vice President – Evan Jennings</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Fleet 1 Representative - Cynthia Des Brisay</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Secretary – Marie Gendron</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Fleet 4 Representative - Paul Place</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Treasurer – Cynthia Des Brisay</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Fleet 14 Representative - Marek Balinski</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>National Measurer – Brent Beninger</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Fleet Kingston Representative – Jeff Boyd</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Communications Director – Evan Jennings</li> </ul>		

Evan asked if there were any other members who would like to step forward to serve on the executive. No members beyond the slate of nominees expressed interest.

The list of officers was moved by Steve Lovshin seconded by Renka Gesing There was no objection noted. The list was accepted.

#### Item #8: Other Business

There was discussion about the high demand for boats on the East Coast and the shortage of spares and parts.

There being no further business, it was moved by Richard Mundell and seconded by Steve Lovshin that the meeting be closed. Noting no objections, at 21h30 EST, the meeting ended.

Attachment 1:2022 Financial ReportAttachment 2:Preliminary 2023 Event Schedule