

## **Great South Bay Yacht Racing Association**



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Meeting of May 19, 2023  
Moriches Yacht Club, Center Moriches NY  
Meeting called to order at 8:18 p.m.

#### **Officers Present:**

President: Robert Gutmann  
1<sup>st</sup> Vice President: Not Present  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President: Phil Smyth  
Treasurer: Melanie Oswalt – Not Present  
Secretary: Regina Soto  
Race Committee Chair: - Not Present

#### **Past Presidents:**

Larry Deering  
MaryAnn Deering  
Al Guardino  
Jerry Holwell  
Bob Linekin  
Phil Linker  
Glenn Schmidt

#### **Clubs Represented:**

Babylon, Bay Shore, Bellport Bay, Hempstead Bay, Moriches Yacht Club Narrasketuck, Sayville, SBCC, Westhampton, Wet Pants (quorum)

President Gutmann called the May 19, 2023 dinner meeting hosted by Moriches Yacht Club to order stating with the pledge of allegiance. A motion was made by the floor to waive to previous meetings minutes. Motion was seconded, the motion was carried and no minutes were read.

#### **President's Report:**

1. Thanked Moriches Yacht Club for hosting the May dinner meeting.
2. Mission is to “Rebrand GSBRYA” to create a more current and interactive organization.
3. Ensure the yearbook and website is more user friendly, with a focus on youth involvement.
4. Monitor the growth of youth sailing and the expansion of adult sailing involvement.

**1<sup>ST</sup> Vice President's Report: Jimi Grover:**

No report

**2<sup>ND</sup> Vice President's Report: Phil Smyth**

No report

**Treasurer's Report: Not Present- Melanie Oswalt:** No changes in treasury (Checking, Savings, and Scholarship).

**Balances: As of April 15, 2023 were**

- \$41,507.37 checking
- \$19,500.16 savings
- \$21,034.08 scholarship

**Committee Reports:**

- **Appeals:** No Report
- **Championship Coordinator:** No Report
- **Fleet Captain Chairperson:** No Report
- **Handicap Chairperson:** No Report
- **Invitational Regattas Chairperson:** No Report
- **Junior Regattas Chairperson:** No Report
- **Junior Sailing Chairperson:** No Report
- **Membership Chairperson:** No Report
- **Nominating Committee Chairperson:** No Report
- **Perpetual Trophy Chairperson:** No Report
- **Prize Chairperson** – No Report
- **Race Management** -Tom Conlin: Reported the Area B Sears Cup will be held at the Waterfront Center July 5-6 (In order for a GSBRYA sailor to qualify the sailor must compete in the Gulden event held on June 28). The event is capped at sending two teams from GSBYRA.
- **Race Week Registrar:** No Report
- **Sailing Grant Chairperson:** No Report
- **Social Events Chairperson:** No Report
- **Schedule Chairperson** – No Report
- **Scoring Chairperson:** No Report
- **US SAILING Delegate:** No Report
- **Webmaster:** MaryAnn Deering – Reported the website has been posted with the 2023 calendar of events.
- **Yearbook Chairperson:** Yearbooks are completed and delivered

- **Yearbook Ad Sales Chairperson:** No report

### **Old Business:**

Eric Everitt from Bellport Bay gave a detailed report to the membership of a new initiative of a “Jr. Race Week Clinic”. Eric reported that Monday and Tuesday prior to Race Week will be a 2-day clinic. Ali Blumenthal from Bellport (CGA Asst. Coach/ College All-American) will be the Head 420 Coach. Coach Burnet from South Florida Coral Reef Opti Team will be the Head Optimist Coach. This clinic is intended to promote upper level sailing skillset to sailor’s and expose instructors, coaches, and support staff to higher level of instructional training.

The Clinic will include a ½ hour parent session at the end of day one. GSBYRA will provide breakfast. It will be communicated to the sailors to bring their own lunch. On the second day, SYC will provide a BBQ dinner at no cost to sailors or GSBYRA.

A document will be created outlining the itinerary of the event and sent to all GSBYRA member clubs.

### **New Business:**

Gerry Holwell gave a report on how the GSBYRA Grant program is organized. Informed members that potential candidates should keep detailed records of their sailing resumes. Jerry encouraged the membership to have young sailors to apply to the program. He also suggested to view the GSBYRA website to review the program and email him with any questions.

Hempstead Bay Sailing Club reported that several families interested in youth sailing and asked GSBRYA to help navigate the process of coordinating a Junior Sailing Club. They are looking for a certified instructor (part-time). Hempstead Yacht Club will devise a specific sailing program proposal and make a formal request to be presented to the Board for approval.

Next meeting will be the June 15th at the Long Island Maritime Museum  
A June meeting will be scheduled as the final meeting before summer. President Gutmann thanked everyone for their efforts.

Meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Dr. Regina Soto, *Ed.D.*

Secretary, GSBYRA  
Vice Commodore Moriches Yacht Club