



2014 US 2.4mR AGM Minutes

December 10, 2014, Time 1600 Location: Charlotte Harbor Yacht Club Porch

1) Roll Call and Establish a Quorum

Members Present: Charlie Rosenfeld, Jay Corcoran, Dennis Peck, Jody Hill, Mark Bryant, Tony Pocklington, Danny Evans, Jeff Rheinhold, Gene Hinkel, Tim Ripley
Also Present: Marko Dahlberg, Robert Edelstein

2) Setting time limit on speakers and debate.

3) Approval of 2013 Meeting Minutes

The 2013 AGM minutes were reviewed and approved.

4) Report of the President.

Charlie Rosenfeld reported Edge Sailing is gearing up and has been granted a five year license by the International 2.4mR Class Association. The US Class wishes to support Edge in any way we can. Charlie also reported membership is up slightly and hopefully having a US builder will continue to attract members to the class.

5) Report of the Treasurer.

See attached.

6) Old Business.

There was no old business.

7) New Business.

a) Discuss OD Issues and measurement

- The US Class should start keeping a 'measurement database' of all US boats so all paperwork is available 'on the cloud'.
- Bruce Millar (ICA) has OD stickers, Tony Pocklington also has some for Edge Sailing boats.
- Gene Hinkel is the only US measurer.
- Tony Pocklington could also be certified as a US measurer.

b) Discuss ways to support new US builder and develop class interest via, marketing, trade shows, etc.

- Dolly stickers
- Sell t-shirts: Jay Corcoran has made rash guard shirts with class logo and sail number (if desired).
- Sell class swag

- Training Clinics
- No limitation on what the class can do to support Edge Sailing, we have seven boats in Port Charlotte, some of which Dennis has been making available to interested parties.
- Find boats not currently registered with the class
- Class members are encouraged to help build the class by starting local fleets and to demonstrate and promote 2.4mR sailing locally.
- Class should be actively looking to find all boats in USA.
- Establish regattas and a regular calendar of events in various locations
- Form a committee for 2.4mR class marketing
- Create a Facebook USA 2.4mR site (?Jay and Dennis)

c) Discuss by laws updates ie modification of dues structure, voting rights, establish 501©3 etc.

- How to support dues to generate interest in the class? Promotional rate? Pay dues and get 2.4mR swag? Should we allow freebies? Gene suggested we check class rules re: need to join class and perhaps give a discount for early dues payment.
- Mark made a motion to reduce regular dues to \$75, Dennis seconded, vote passed with seven voting for, one against.
- Dennis made a motion to have a trial membership for first timers with zero cost when joining late in the year ie last quarter. Tony seconded, vote passed with seven for, one against.

d) Locations of Regattas in 2015:

ISAF World Cup – Miami
 Clagett Regatta – Newport RI
 Newport Regatta – Newport RI
 NACC – Chicago
 North Americans – Ottawa ON
 IFDS Worlds Melbourne, Australia
 Open Worlds Finland
 US Disabled Championships

e) Discuss ways to build fleets and potential regatta locations ie Newport, Florida. Regatta locations: Rochester, Cleveland, Chicago, Great Lakes, Milwaukee, Sheboygan. The idea of the class purchasing a large trailer to facilitate transport for the class was discussed.

Jay C has been inquiring around Annapolis regarding a 2.4mR regatta and suggested we check with CRAB and perhaps piggyback on their Warrior Regatta.

8) Presentation of candidates for office and elections of Class Officers

Dennis Peck, Tony Pocklington and Tim Ripley were presented as the nominations for US class officers as President, Vice President and Secretary respectively. All were elected via unanimous vote.

9) Any other items?

Gene Hinkel reminded us we need to catch up on measurement and for measurement purposes, the measurer needs to be invited to the event. The NOR should state date/time for measurement.

Mark Bryant congratulated and thanked Charlie Rosenfield for his service to the class as outgoing President.

Adjournment.

Cash:

Wachovia balance \$5,961.96
Paypal balance \$2,833.50
total \$8,795.46

Available funds **\$8,795.46**

At beginning of year: \$9,586.58

Membership:

	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Associate	2			1	1		1	1
Gold	8	11	7	9	8	7	6	8
Regular	21	12	20	7	10	10	9	12
Sailing	2		2					
Under 30				1			3	1
Sailing Programs				2	2	1	1	2
Honorary				3	4	4	4	4
	33	23	29	23	25	22	24	28

Gross Income from Membership Dues

\$2,710.00

2014 Expenses:

Insurance	\$1,292.20	
US Sailing Dues	\$150.00	
Ready Hosting	\$99.52	
ICA Dues	\$361.68	
Measurement		
Seminar	\$1,500.00	onetime expense
PayPal Fees	\$81.93	
TTL	\$3,485.33	