

J/88 Class Association Annual Meeting Minutes

Date: 11/17/2021

Start: 12:05 p.m. EST

Adjourn: 12:40 p.m. EST

Present:

Chris & Julie Howell X
Jeff Johnstone
Alexander Abell X
Elizabeth Barry
David Britt
Jorgen Christiansen
Dave Corbin X
David Dennison
Adam Dolkart
Brice Dunwoodie
Daniel Floberg
Michael Frerker X
Bob Garlinghouse X
Michael Gillian X
Steven Gordon
Andy Graff X
Jim Hopp
Christos Karamanolis
John Leahey X
Jordan Leahey
Robbie Lowrance X
Sergey Lubarsky
Kenneth Luczynski
Ben Marden X
Patrick McGrath
Brian O'Malley
Gary Panariello
Tod Patton
Greg Polek X
John Polek
Timothy Price X
William Purdy X
Keith Rehder
Justin Scagnelli X
Christopher Slocum X
John Sommi X
James Sorbie
Scott Sorbie
Tim Sweet X
Alister Thomson X
David Tufts X
Iris Vogel X
Tim Wade
Magda Warczok
Mike Wilde X
Vern Zvoleff

Agenda:

1. Attendance and Instructions
2. Class Office Report
3. Approval of Class Budget
4. Constitution Vote
5. Election of Officers
6. Technical Discussion
7. NAC Recap & Championships
8. New Business

Description:

1. **Attendance and Instructions** – Chris welcomed all to the 2021 Annual Meeting. A quorum is present. Iris thanked everyone, and she plans to keep racing and helping after her term as President ends.
2. **Class Office Report** – Chris reported that the Class had 42 Full members this year, representing 34 boats, plus 9 Associate Members. The online directory is at <https://j8ca.wildapricot.org/directory>. Membership renewal e-mails will be sent in January. The Class Officers recommend that we make the 2022 early bird discount \$275 (increase from \$250). Our national member Slack Channel is up and running and active.
3. **Approval of Class Budget** – Chris circulated the J/88 Class Budget: Profit & Loss 2021 and Budget 2022.
Justin Scagnelli made a motion to accept the Budget/P&L as presented, seconded by Dave Tufts. The motion passed unanimously.
4. **Constitution Vote** – The goal of the following changes is to expand the Executive Committee and allow for continuity moving forward into the future. If the changes below are approved, an additional change not specified below will be replacing the words “Chief Measurer” with “Technical Committee Chair” wherever it is listed in the document.

Old

7.1 The Executive Committee shall consist of the following officers and members:

- (a) President
- (b) Secretary/Treasurer
- (d) One Representative of each member J/88 Class Fleet
- (e) One at-large Member
- (f) Chief Measurer
- (g) Copyright Holder

7.2 The President and Secretary/Treasurer shall be members of the J/88 Class Association or of one of its member J/88 Class Fleets, and be elected by the Executive Committee by postal ballot or written electronic communication for a term of two years. Any retiring officer shall be eligible for re-election provided that he or she has not served more than eight consecutive years in that office, with the exception of the Chief Measurer.

Amended to Read

7.1 The Executive Committee shall consist of the following officers and members:

- (a) President
- (b) **Vice President**
- (c) Secretary/Treasurer
- (d) One Representative of each member J/88 Class Fleet
- (e) One at-large Member
- (f) ~~Chief Measurer~~ **Technical Committee Chair**
- (g) Copyright Holder
- (h) **Past President**

7.2 The President, **Vice President** and Secretary/Treasurer shall be members of the J/88 Class Association ~~or of one of its member J/88 Class Fleets~~, and be elected **at the AGM** or by the Executive Committee by postal ballot or written electronic communication for a term of two years. Any retiring officer shall be eligible for re-election provided that he or she has not served more than eight consecutive years in that office, with the exception of the Chief Measurer.

Old

8.4 The chairman at Executive Committee meetings shall be the President, or in his/her

absence, the Secretary/Treasurer.

Amended to Read

8.4 The chairman at Executive Committee meetings shall be the President, or in his/her absence, the ~~Secretary/Treasurer~~ **Vice President**.

Old

9.4 The chairman at Annual General Meetings shall be the President, or in his/her absence, the Secretary/Treasurer.

Amended to Read

9.4 The chairman at Annual General Meetings shall be the President, or in his/her absence, the ~~Secretary/Treasurer~~ **Vice President**.

Dave Corbin made a motion to accept the Constitution changes as presented, seconded by Andy Graff. The motion passed unanimously.

5. **Election of Officers** – The slate is as follows:

President - Gary Panariello

Vice President - John Leahey

Secretary/Treasurer - Brice Dunwoodie

Technical Committee Chair - Andy Graff

(Members At-Large are Fleet representatives)

Dave Corbin made a motion to accept the slate as presented, seconded by Tim Sweet. The motion passed unanimously.

Thank you Iris...you have been the backbone of the Class!

6. **Technical Discussion** – Andy encouraged anyone to reach out to him directly with comments and feedback.

7. **NAC Recap & Upcoming Championships** – The 2021 North American Championship was part of Rolex Big Boat Series at St. Francis Yacht Club, San Francisco, CA, September 16-19. Iris said it was the event of a lifetime. Thank you to the San Francisco Fleet! Get on the road...it's worth it.

--2022 J/88 Midwinter Championship at John Jennings's Memorial Regatta @ St. Petersburg Yacht Club, FL, January 8-9 (registration is open). We need six boats to make it a three-day event. The St. Petersburg NOOD is at St. Petersburg Yacht Club on February 18-20 (registration is open as of this week). Iris stated that St. Pete provides a very easy set-up, with boats able to be stored locally mast-up. While not free storage, you get two winter events in a nice venue. Andy agreed that the logistics are straightforward. SPYC is a great first travel regatta for someone. Let's get the six boats signed up so everyone can plan! Andy thinks there are plenty of people who would like to help out boats in need of crew.

--2022 J/88 North American Championship @ Chicago Yacht Club, IL (Monroe Station), September 22-25: John said they have commitments from 25+ boats, so it should be the largest NAC yet! Expect great racing and convenient / inexpensive logistics. Let him or Andy know if you have questions. The yacht club is excited to host after a quiet couple years. Some crew matching ideas were discussed, such as via a Slack Channel or forum. Look for a Notice of Race soon.

Iris doesn't expect a J/88 fleet at the Annapolis NOOD, although it is on our calendar.

Regarding Charleston Race Week, the fleet will launch at Cooper River Marina. You can pay a fee for Sunday logistics, which helps people get on the road.

8. **New Business** – Jeff Johnstone reported via e-mail: Hull #111 is in process and coming to the States. J/Composites has been building a few boats per year recently. Available used J/88s have satisfied most of the customer demand. The plan is to continue to offer short batch production in the fourth quarter.

Action Items:

Next Meeting: TBD