

WJSC Membership Meeting Minutes 2025-11-05

Board officers present: Commodore Dave Wigman, Vice Commodore Matt Kartheiser, Treasurer Dave Eserkaln, Secretary Frank Green and Trustees Jim Gagnon, Randy Vanden Branden and Don Robertson

Meeting called to order at 6:36 p.m.

Secretary's minutes of October board and membership meeting minutes approved.

Vice Commodore's Report: 136 current members. 11 new members this year.

Points are updated up to last Sunday. Reminder that points need to be in prior to the end of the year.

71 have all their points. 30 somewhere below 125 points. 35 with zero points.

Commodore's Report: Thank you to the social committee for their work on the banquet. It was a great event.

Reserve 6/20-21 and 8/28-30 for multi-hull regattas in 2026. This will be the 50th Crow Regatta. Consider creating flags or apparel for the 50th anniversary that includes the Windjammer name to commemorate the partnership.

Thank you for all the time people have been putting in at the club.

Treasurer's report – Dave Eserkaln – 3rd quarter – Total income \$8558, profit of \$7231. Expenses of \$7463. Pretty much a wash for net income. Checking and savings was about \$60,000. Mortgage \$40,552. Approved for borrowing an additional \$150,000.

Budget time is coming up. Committee chairs please get your numbers in.

Probably looking at 5% fees increase for 2026.

Committee Chairs –

Old Board business: Randy V. - Estimates for tree removal for the 2026.

Neighbor has dropped his trees along the fence line and might be interested in working with WJ to drop some of the remaining trees onto the ice of his pond over the winter.

That would save somewhere between \$3,000 and \$5,000. There is also a person interested in taking at least some of the wood.

Tim Monday – Gazebo – The plan is for this project to be done with donations, rather than have the club pay for it. Tim is proposing a kit. He feels the kit is the most efficient approach. Made from Douglas fir. The idea is to make it larger – 20' x 30', 9 feet to the eaves. \$32,500. The kit would be supplemented with \$1,500 of stamp drawings. \$5,000 for a fireplace. \$4000 for furniture. \$10,000 for screens. \$55,000 total. Multiple ways to trim that price. Tim is also asking for volunteers to be part of this committee. If this is approved, Tim would get the order in for the kit, as it takes 20 to 25 weeks for delivery. Old gazebo was 16' x 15'.

Jim Gagnon will research fund-raising and determine if this is realistic.

New Board business: Don Robertson brought up whether the neighbors are going to get our fence fixed. The plan is for the neighbour to fix it. They have been waiting until the trees were down in case there was any further damage.

Keith Jenquin – proposed using a plumbing cleanout cap to cover the A and C dock tie-back loops. The plan would be to put it deep enough to not be in the way for walking or mowing. About \$15 per tie-back. 19 total. The original sample one was too small. Keith will get a bigger one and try it as a sample.

Mike Pierner – DNR permit – existing permit is through Oct. 2026. Board approved Mike to request a 3 year extension to allow for repairs to A dock.

Thank you to Brian Grahovac and his team for their work on the West dock wall. Brian was here every day for 2 weeks, all day.

Committee reports:

Buoys – The buoys and marks are out.

Club Boats – Will be put away this week. Heidi Johnson has expressed interest in taking this over in the future.

Dry sail – Thanks to Dave Gay for Lot Prep and gravel. Trailer staging and boats out went well. Lost 6 spots to the dock wall project. 3 spots still open.

Make sure your boat/trailer is secured for the winter. If your trailer doesn't lock properly on the ball, get it fixed.

House – Cleaning is done monthly, but pick up after yourself. If you need points, reach out to Kurt. He will find something for you to do.

Independent Merchandise – New gear bag that can be embroidered with your boat name. Bucket hats. Lined knit hats. Baseball caps. Koozies. All will be available at the Christmas party.

Membership –

Introduction – Nick Slupskei – Sponsored by Austin Gokey – Has assisted with several projects. Likes to fish in the marina.

Voting – Brian Knapp – Sponsored by Mike Tennity - started with his son on Lightnings. Voted in unanimously.

Remember to sign the meeting roll call.

Social – Everyone had a great time at the banquet. Next year's will be 11/7 at the same place - Village Grill. Special awards: Florence Chadwick went to Matt Kartheiser for swimming in the harbor. Mary and Eric were awarded the "We Beached It" award – beach towels and beach toys. Buckets were awarded to those who helped Austin Adler when his boat was taking on water.

Christmas Party – December 6th. (This has since been changed to December 7th.)

Stragegy – Mark Reiland resigned as chair, but will continue with the newsletter.

Sunshine – Frank Green's mother passed. Royal Shackelford's brother passed. Mark Reiland's wife had surgery. Kevin Campbell's family has been in contact about his memorial on 11/22 11:00 to 2:00 pm. (This will be a private event.) Paul Weiss's wife having difficulties.

Tuesday Race – Tim will leave the flags on the table in the meeting room. Please pick it up if you have one coming.

Yard – Yard water was blown out tonight.

Old Business:

New Business: Water level will need to be considered for next season. Leo stated that he can put mouth of the river water level data on the website.

Tim Monday asked about putting a committee together to look into doing maintenance dredging rather than a full blown dredging as in the past. Brian Keller has done some preliminary research.

Announcements: Need volunteers to pull wires into the new conduits on Monday.

Steel scrap - \$151 from Tom Pierquet

WJ website login – member/Windjammer2025

Pints for a Purpose from Zambaldi's - \$1 donation for GB Sail and Paddle for each pint sold from 3:00 pm to 9:00 pm next Wednesday – 11/12.

Next Meeting: December 3, 2025, 6:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned: 7:46 p.m.