

## **DRAFT MINUTES CODA AGM 2012 - 21 August 2012 7pm pdt**

**Royal Vancouver Yacht Club, Vancouver., B.C.**

### **Present Executive:**

Cyrille Vittecoq: President and Chair;  
Hubert Bourque: Registrar;  
Terry Yuill: Class Development Officer (via Skype)  
Teddi Orenstein-Lyall: BC Rep representative  
Tammy Coutu: Ontario Representative  
Christine Auger: Quebec representative  
Tanya Chamberlain: Secretary

### **Absent Executive:**

Gordon Anderson: Maritimes Representative  
Peter Kelly: Measurer

### **Present Members:**

Glenn Golonka  
Steve Sherman  
Eddie Wood  
Jonathon Reis  
Miranti Moreno  
Richard Moreno  
Dave Reider  
Lavina Yuen  
Kirk Yuen  
Scott Davis  
Angelique Magi  
Chris Paisley  
Jules Rines  
Erick Magi  
Sandra Bourque  
-one illegible name

### **OPENING:**

The meeting was called to order by Cyrille Vittecoq who introduced the executive and explained that there were three bids for the 2013 Canadians Optimist Dinghy Championship; all the bids complied with CODA's process by completing the appropriate form and the group would hear live presentations from the three respective Clubs via Skype.

**MINUTES:**

It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the 2011 AGM be approved.

**REPORTS:**

President:

Cyrille reported that he has tried to improve the governance of CODA and in particular the process for selecting members to the International Teams committee. In the last two years CODA has moved from one person making selection to a group process that includes all the Provincial representatives, the President and one additional member of the Executive whose child is not eligible for selection to provide an independent voice.

He reported that the Regatta Committee meets on an ad hoc basis and among other things, helps to organize the Canadians.

The Bylaw Committee has been reviewing the Constitution and Bylaws over the last few years.

Cyrille recognized the contribution of Hubert Bourque, Registrar by taking the CODA registration from paper to online. Members may now register online for membership and for boats. This has improved the process and resulted in more members.

Peter Lyall as treasurer brought our accounts up to date and with a balance of about \$15,000.

Cyrille reported that he is proud that Canada's results at International events have improved and that more sailors than ever are attending.

Cyrille reported that his objectives for the next two years include continuing to build the Optimist fleet in Canada, to develop high level racing at the Canadians and other IODA events; to improve the quality and number of sailors at IODA events; to continue to review the Bylaws and Constitution and improve governance; to focus on grass roots development of Optimist sailing; continue to update the website by adding archived items, and improve use for members; and to work to improve the level of coaching in Canada.

**REGISTRAR:**

Hubert reported that CODA now has 151 members. 140 members registered online. For the first time a CODA linked registration in CODA to registration for CODC. 100% of the registrants at the CODC were CODA members. The

CYA added CODA membership field to regional events . It had been difficult in previous regattas to ensure all registrants were members of CODA. Hubert reported a 42% increase in membership this year. Hubert reported on the increase in membership of girls and that median age of membership is now 12.5 years. Hubert recommended that CODA ask IODA to do away with the old book method of registering boats. He will draft a request to IODA for same.

#### **TREASURER:**

Peter Lyall reported that CODA has collected \$10,000 for International events and about \$4,000 in memberships and boat registrations. CODA made a \$500 profit.

#### **CLASS DEVELOPMENT:**

Terry Yuill reported that he oversaw the development of the new website. He reported that there all regional reps can post events directly on the CODA website. He also set up a face book page, and introduced new branding and stickers. He has also added sponsorships on the website that are “click” revenue based sailing companies. Terry reported that his objectives for 2013 include greater coaching/clinic coordination for major events; increased regional use of website; email blasts to all CODA members; greater face book use and more sponsors.

#### **PROVINCIAL REPRESENTATIVES:**

##### **MARITIMES:**

Terry Yuill spoke on behalf of Gord Anderson and reported that regattas started too late this year in mid July. He reported that the spring training program was a huge success.

##### **QUEBEC:**

Christine Auger reported that there is a very active sailing program in Quebec with over 5 major events this year. She reported that there are more green fleeters and it is her objective to increase the level of sailing, coaching and participation through training and development at the grass roots level and using the website

##### **ONTARIO:**

Tammy Coutu reported that there was Opti sailing on March 25th this year, a new record. There was spring training at 4 clubs with 30 plus sailors participating. There have been 9 regattas so far with two more to go.

Tammy reported that there has been increased participation every year except at CORK. Tammy expects about 20 sailors at fall training and reported that there will be a two day training clinic at CORK to identify new talent for Ontario sailing team.

**BC:**

Teddi Orenstein- Lyall reported that after four years she is stepping down as Provincial rep for BC. Dave Reider will take her place. Teddi reported that the fleet in BC was built by Tine Moberg-Parker. She reported that there is a good local fleet in BC but it is missing the top end. To that end, Teddi would like BC to be included in any development team opportunities.

**GUEST SPEAKER:**

It was moved and seconded that Steve Sherman founder of McLachlin boat works be honoured by CODA with a sustaining membership. Steve accepted and spoke of the importance of the promoting the green fleet and being inclusive to promote Optimist sailing.

**IODA EVENTS:**

Cyrille reported that the IODA events are as follows:

2013:

South Americans: Brazil

Europeans: Hungary

Worlds: Italy

2014

South Americans: Columbia

North Americans: Puerto Rico

Europeans: Ireland

Worlds: Argentina

**BIDS FOR 2013 CANADIAN OPTIMIST DINGHY CHAMPIONSHIPS:**

The first presentation was made by Doug Meredith of Hudson Yacht Club via Skype. The second was made by Valerie\_\_\_ and Jessie \_\_\_from Royal St. Lawrence Yacht Club via Skype and the last was made by Peter Kelly of Point Claire Yacht Club. All presentations were made via Skype to the members present. The matter was put to a vote and Royal St. Lawrence received the majority of votes to host the 2013 Canadian Optimist Dinghy Championships.

Royal St. Lawrence will host the 2013 Opti Canadian Championship

## **BYLAW AMENDMENTS:**

It was moved and seconded that : “ Team members to represent Canada at the IODA World and Continental Optimist Championship will be selected on the results of one annual regatta, namely the Canadian Optimist Dinghy Championship in the previous season of these International events. The selection will be based on the number of spots allocated annually by IODA to Canada to each of these Championships, subject to gender rules when applicable. Allocation of spots will be made in order of finishing at the CODC subject to IODA rules and Schedules. All team members shall be 11 years of age or older at the time of the International event in order to be selected and shall have finished in the top 60% of the fleet at the CODC or in the event that Canada is the host nation of Optinam, in the top 80% of the fleet at the CODC to be selected for that event.

It was moved and seconded to amend the motion by inserting “eligible” after “shall have finished in the top 60% of the fleet.” The main motion and amendment were passed. A motion to strike was defeated.

(Amendment #2 passed 19 votes in meeting; 15 proxies for  
-8 against  
-18 proxies against - )

It was moved and seconded that “the executive committee of the Association shall consist of a President, Provincial Vice-Presidents, (or Provincial representatives), a Secretary, a Treasurer, a National Measurer, a Registrar and a Class Development Officer.” And “The President, Secretary, Treasurer, National Measurer, Registrar and Class Development Officer of the Association shall be elected by simple majority vote at the Annual General Meeting of the Association. The motion was passed.

It was moved and seconded that “if a sailor drops out of an IODA Event after the team is formed then CODA will use the following process to fill the spot. We will adhere to the IODA gender rules.

We will go back to the eligible Canadians from the Canadian championships that was the qualifier for this IODA event.

The highest ranking sailor who accepts this invite will fill the IODA spot.” The motion was passed.

## **ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

It was moved and seconded that the following officers be elected.

President: Cyrille Vittecoq  
Class Development Officer: Terry Yuill  
Treasurer: Peter Lyall

Registrar: Jean Luc Daviault  
Secretary: Angelique Magi  
Class Measurer: Peter Kelly  
BC Representative: Dave Reider  
NS Representative: Andrew Harris  
Ontario Representative: Tammy Coutu  
Quebec Representative: Christine Auger

The motion was passed.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 11 pm.