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**MISSION STATEMENT** – The mission of the Fond du Lac Sailing Club is to provide sailing events for the recreation, challenge, and pleasure of the membership, while promoting safety, fellowship and an opportunity to improve sailing skills and knowledge.

### COMMODORE'S COMMENTS

Hi everyone,



**Thomas W.  
Grebe**

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It is with very sad regret to hear about the passing of Tom Grebe he was a great historian about the sailing club, yacht club and Lake Winnebago.

While I have known him for the past 40 years, he was a very intelligent soft-spoken guy and when he was telling a story people genuinely would listen to what he had to say. He will be missed, my condolences to the Grebe family.

Tom was well known in boating circles, he was a past officer of the Fond du Lac Yacht Club, Sailing Club, Ice Yachters, and Coast Guard Auxiliary.

In other news we will talk to you at the April meeting.

Marty

### NEXT MEETING

**Thursday, Apr. 1, 7 pm  
Zoom Meeting**

#### Minutes of the FDL sailing club meeting March 4, 2021

The meeting was called to order via a ZOOM meeting due to the Covid 19 pandemic at 7:06pm by Commodore Marty Witt. Fourteen (14) members were in attendance with no guests.

The minutes of the February meeting were approved by the membership after motions by Bill Freund and Kevin Gratton respectively.

Treasurer Brian Carter reported no new financial activity with the club treasury. His report was approved by the membership after motions by Tom Clausen and Jack Boatman respectively.

#### Committee Reports:

**Day Sailors report:** Andy Gratton reported that he will call a meeting of day sailors before the April general membership meeting.

**Cruisers report:** No report.

**Youth Sailing program:** A meeting was held with Rob Ritchie, Karin Whealon, Kevin Gratton and Paul Kaestner to plan the upcoming season for youth sailors. Wanda Witt sent out emails to intermediate sailors.

## **Mainsheet**

The youth sailing program will be managed as it was last year with lessons for intermediate youth sailors – one person to a boat (unless they are family members. This is due to cautions being taken due to the pandemic. There will be classes on Tuesday afternoons like last year. Lessons will start on June 10.

### **Old Business:**

**A & B Buoys follow-up:** Jack Boatman inquired about the status of new buoys and lights for A & B Buoys we will need to be purchased to replace the old ones that disappeared. Marty reported the status is still pending. He will follow-up with Dave Whealon prior to the next meeting.

**Ice Party Recap:** Marty reported the Ice Party was a success with a good turn out and lots of kids. There was hockey and skating, good weather, the ice carousel and the traditional bon fire – another great event – with thanks to the sailing club and other volunteers who helped with set-up and take-down.

**Membership applications and dues payments:** Applications are on the website so that members and others who want to join can print them, fill them out and mail (with checks for dues) to Brian Carter at the Yacht club.

**Signage on Yacht club exterior:** Marty received an inquiry from the Yacht club to see if the sailing club would be interested in participating with the other clubs and have the burgee for the sailing club on the exterior of the west side of the Yacht Club. The size would be approximately 24" X 43". Materials are still being finalized and costs are being researched. Kathy Strong-Langolf will be putting together a proposal. Discussion ensued and there was a consensus that the members supported the idea and would like to see more information and what the building would look like. More information will be forthcoming – stay tuned.

### **New Business:**

No New Business.

### **For the good of the club**

**Karin Whealon** -shared that she hopes we can get back to regular meetings very soon...and... in her observations at the Ice Party that couches are highly flammable and go up in flames in five minutes...

**Tom Clausen** shared that there is a new boat for sale on the sailing club website – check it out. Some discussion ensued about boats for sale and sold and other boat moves. Thanks again Tom!

**Board meeting:** There will be a FDLSC board meeting prior to the general meeting in April. All are welcome.

### **Adjournment**

Ann Freund made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Peter Chisolm. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted:  
Mike Mahnke, secretary

### **Boat for Sale**

Here's a deal! This poor chap doesn't have any takers for his boat. It needs to be out of the storage area by April 30. At the moment he is ready to scrap it. He is getting out of sailing and has a [1978 Ranger 28'](#) sailboat with a 4.5' draft up in Oshkosh at the Pioneer. I posted the ad on our website under Links -> [For Sale](#). Here is your chance to get the bargain of the year.

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