



WEST DENNIS YACHT CLUB

WDYC Annual Meeting  
August 20, 2022  
10 AM

Agenda

Call to Order  
Pledge of Allegiance  
Approval of Minutes- May 28, 2022  
Commodore's Report  
Vice Commodore's Report  
Rear Commodore's Report  
Treasurer's Report  
Fleet Captain  
Committee Reports  
    House  
    Budget  
    Waterfront  
    Long Range Planning  
    Finance  
    Membership  
    Clothing  
    Entertainment  
    Bylaws



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**The WDYC Bylaws Committee is submitting the following five (5) proposed Bylaw amendments for consideration by the Members at the August 20, 2022 Annual Meeting:**

**PROPOSAL # 1: (submitted by the Board of Directors) regarding re-application of former members who resigned in good standing.**

Amends, in part, Article 4.7 by striking out and substituting the following language as indicated in **bold/underline**: *Current Wording*

*4.7 Resignations: Resignations must be made in writing to the Secretary on or before the first of March. No resignation need be accepted until all Club property is returned, and dues and other indebtedness to the Club are paid. Former members who have resigned in good standing may rejoin upon application in the usual manner, including the payment of a reinstatement fee as determined by the board. However, they will be given preference over other applications pending.*

*Proposed Amendment*

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**PROPOSAL #2: (Submitted by the Bylaws Committee) Amends the 1-year term limit for Commodore. Requires amendment in three places:**

**#2 (a)** - Amends, in part, Article 8.1 as indicated in **bold/** strikeouts: *Current Wording (in part)*

**8.1 Composition:** The elected Officers of the Club shall be and rank as follows: Commodore  
Vice Commodore who shall be Commodore-elect...  
These Officers shall be Directors during their tenure of office, and the Commodore shall serve as a member of the Board of Directors for the following year.

*Proposed Amendment*

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Vice Commodore... **who shall be Commodore-elect...**  
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**PROPOSAL #3: (Submitted by the Board of Directors) regarding the responsibilities of the Finance Committee**

Amends, in part, Article 11.5 by adding the following language as indicated in **bold**/underline: *Current Wording*

*1.15 Finance Committee: The Finance Committee shall consist of (5) voting members who shall be appointed for staggered terms of five (5) years. In the initial year, members shall be appointed for one-through five-year terms. At least one, but no more than two members, shall be a member of the Board of Directors. The Financial Committee shall make recommendations to the Board of Directors regarding the financial aspects of the club, including but not limited, to the prudent investment of club accounts and the mortgaging of club assets. The Board of Directors shall, upon request of the Committee, make available copies of all club financial records and legal documents to assist the Committee in carrying out its function.*

*Proposed Amendment*

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**PROPOSAL #4: (Submitted by the Bylaws Committee) Amends, in part, Article 11 by adding a new standing Security and Technology Committee. Requires amendment in two places.**

**#4 (a)** - Amends, in part, Article 11.1 Proposed Amendment If Adopted Will Read  
by adding the following new committee at the end of the first sentence, as indicated in

**bold/underline:** *Current Wording*

***11.1: Standing Committees:*** *The Standing Committees shall be: Membership Committee, House Committee, Entertainment Committee, Budget Committee, Waterfront Committee, Racing Committee, Lounge Committee, Junior Advisory Committee, Nominating Committee, Long Range Planning Committee, By-Laws Committee, Sailing Committee, Finance Committee, and Food Advisory Committee ...*

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**#4 (b)** - Amends, in part, Article 11 by adding a new section 11.17 as indicated in underline: *Current Wording*  
N/A

Proposed Amendment

If Adopted Will Read

***11.17 The Security and Technology Committee:*** *The Security and Technology Committee shall consist of at least three (3) voting members. The Committee shall make recommendations to the Board of Directors to: (1) promote a safe and secure environment at the Club and (2) improve the club's technology upgrades and internet security and other related methods to address potential security or safety issues identified by the Committee. The Committee shall develop, for approval by the Board of Directors, policies and procedures to address matters within the scope of their duties.*

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**PROPOSAL #5 (Submitted by the Bylaws Committee) amends, in part, Article 11.1 by adding a new standing Personnel Committee. Requires amendment in two places.**

#5 (a) - Amends, in part, Article 11.1 by adding the following new committee at the end of the first sentence, as indicated in **bold/underline**: *Current Wording* Proposed Amendment If Adopted Will Read

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#5 (b) - Amends, in part, Article 11.1 by adding the following new committee at the end of the first sentence, as indicated in **bold/underline**:

(\*Note: Final paragraph numbering will be dependent whether proposal #4 is adopted) *Current Wording* Proposed Amendment If Adopted Will Read  
N/A

*11.17\* Personnel Committee: The Personnel Committee shall consist of the Commodore, who shall serve as Chair, the Vice-Commodore, Club Counsel as Committee advisor and five (5) voting members who shall be responsible for the creation and revision of job descriptions for all paid employee positions in the Club, the development of performance standards and oversight of personnel evaluation and compensation recommendations to the Board of Directors. The Personnel Committee shall work with appropriate Club Officers and Board members in creating and modifying position descriptions, reviewing and ensuring completion of performance evaluations, and recommending compensation adjustments and shall present all as recommendations to the Board of Directors. The voting members of the Committee, other than the Commodore and Vice-Commodore, shall be appointed to five-year terms. In the initial year, members shall be appointed to one through five-year terms.*

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Manager's Report

Old Business

Security and Safety Committee

New Business

Nominating Committee Report and Elections

**West Dennis Yacht Club Nominating Committee**

July 30, 2022

Ms. Leah Howlett Secretary

West Dennis Yacht Club

Dear Leah,

After soliciting interest from all members, extensive review and interviews with all applicants and in accordance with Section 12.2 of the By-Laws of the West Dennis Yacht Club, the 2022 Nominating Committee is pleased to present the following slate of nominees for election to office for the 2022-2023 year.

Vice Commodore/Commodore-Elect: Mike Healy Rear Commodore: Kate Cavanaugh

Fleet Captain: Magan Earnshaw Treasurer: Carole Mathieson Secretary: Leah Howlett

Immediate Past Commodore: Sue Chapman Director 2025 (3-year term): Nabil Boghos

Director 2025 (3-year term): Keith Gattozzi

Director 2025 (3-year term): Michele Dowling Johnson

Commodore-Elect Rick Powers shall be Commodore in pursuance with the By-Laws.

On behalf of the Committee, I ask that you notify the membership of this information as required.

Sincerely,

Sheila Meehan, Chairperson Nominating Committee

*Committee members*

Tom Bielinski

Kari Culhane

Beth Skinner

Peter Wildermuth

**Additional nominations for any one or more vacancies must have been received by the Secretary of the Club no later than the first Friday in August. (Such additional nominations shall be in writing, signed by at least five (5) members in good standing and shall contain a statement that the nominee has accepted the nomination. )**

Adjournment