

HHYC Board Meeting

Jan 6th, 2026

Attendees:

Rick Nolte	Paul Quinn	Bart Kooyman	Sue Burke	Wendy Rittereiser
Dennis Kroeger	Jeremy Hardy	Vic Portolese	Kim Nolte	

Call to Order: Rick Nolte 5:00

Treasurer Report: Wendy reviewed Income/Expense spreadsheet, the net income is around \$14K. She has developed bar charts to easily identify the financial trends. She also tweaked the calendar year chart to a fiscal view which accurately shows all the membership dollars that apply in 2026.

Wendy requested the gifts received at the Commodore's Ball are actually gifts for working throughout the year and should not be expensed as a gift for this rendezvous therefore she recommends it be categorized as a business expense. The board agreed and Wendy will implement the change this year.

Although we do not have as many membership dues payments this year we are still early in the year. In the past additional payments were made in the months of January and February. Paul mentioned 2 couples have resigned from the club. Jeremy did offer to help reach out to other members who have not paid.

Fleet Captain Report: Rick mentioned that Fleet Captains will be meeting tomorrow to iron out some events for the year. He did say some changes may impact schedules, but he will give plenty of notice for the changes.

The board decided that we should reserve the Kingston Clubhouse in May for the 50th Anniversary for HHYC. Paul & Patty are hosting and said it would be fine to celebrate at this rendezvous. Kim will contact Kingston Yacht Club to rent the clubhouse Saturday night.

Membership/Recruitment: Terry is going to write up a process for joining the club. The application has been improved so we just need to complete the procedure. She also mentioned some enhancements to the website. Rick has some ideas and he will talk more about that later.

Commodore's Report: Rick has found some ambiguity in the bylaws; he would like to talk more about the election process. Tyee has a model that he would like to introduce as an option. Vic agrees the bylaws need to be reviewed.

Rick expressed his appreciation for last years Commodore's Ball and wondered if he could have his Commodore's Ball at the same venue. The process was supposed to be the former Commodore put on the event for the present Commodore but last year it didn't work out that way. Jeremy put on his own event and expressed the difficulty in doing it two years in a row. The board offered to change this event procedure from the past commodore hosting the event to a group of past commodores. We established the group in the meeting, it will

include Paul & Patty, Dane & Terry, Jeremy & Tiah, and Bart & Brenda. Jeremy will be sending out a notice to get the group working on it.

Old Business: Rick wanted to understand the bylaws for the meetings as far as how often to meet, when you need Board meetings and when you need General meetings. Vic explained that specific board meetings can be decided as needed. In the past we have had many board meetings due to some major changes that needed to be addressed. Dennis explained the only meeting that is spelled out in the bylaws is the meeting in November to go through the financial status of the club.

Dennis also suggested that past commodore's help host rendezvous if needed.

Paul mentioned that one of the rendezvous was called Pay Your Dues in November to help pin down membership payments.

Some discussion about changing the venue for the meetings. Rick was not opposed but talked about the many benefits we receive at Razzis including free banquet room, TV screen for presentation, great service, and parking accommodations. We also have many members who are willing to help those who may have physical difficulties walking to the restaurant.

It was mentioned that many have not signed up for in-person meetings, Vic commented on how easy it is to forget to sign up as most of us have not done it yet (LOL).

Kim will be asking members if they would like more in-person meetings.

New Business: Paul discussed the new logo for our 50th Anniversary of HHYC. This logo will be updated on the website. Kim has agreed that this 50th HHYC logo will only be on the website for the year 2026 and returned to the original in 2027.

Wendy suggested that it is good business to have a group reviewing the business finances for the year, a light audit if you will. Jeremy, Bart, Terry & Paul will do the review. Wendy will set up the process.

Mike Burke is working on the details for an event at Lake Chelan. Rick confirmed that Rock the Dock has been secured this year.

Motion to close meeting 6:05