



**South Texas PHRF
Open Meeting Minutes
6 pm March 29th, 2022**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM. All board members were present with the exception of the Jim Robertson who was out of town.

There were no corrections or additions to the minutes of the previous meeting.

Old Business

Fleet Measurer - Matt Sebring has agreed once again to be the PHRF Fleet Measurer.

New Business

PHRF Review - 1999 Hunter 430 *Endless Summer* - Request from owner for increase in rating from 117 to 123 (Max allowed). Owner presented that he believes his rating is too high based on past performance in PHRF races, In review there is no previous documentation that supports the boats roller main, shoal draft and three bladed fixed prop was accounted for in the current rating.

Decision: J Bell motioned to increase Endless Summer to a provisional rating of 123 (123p) and review in one year. Motion was seconded by Collins and approved.

Change of ownership – Remove old owner from *Still Dreaming* on PHRF Valid List.

Decision: Owner of Endless Summer will be removed from Still Dreamin on the STPHRF Valid list. Approved with unanimous consent.

PHRF Review - 1990 X412 *Wet Express* - Notification of ownership change and request to keep current rating at present. Boat currently in an overhaul status. Preliminary notification he may be removing OEM structure and equipment.

Decision: Weakly moved to make the ownership changes and lower the boats rating to 63. The rating change is based on historical records where the current rating of 66 was based on the previous owner using a headsail no greater than 135%. On the current owners rating request, he lists a 155% headsail. This requires the boats rating to be changed back to 63 from the current rating of 66. J Bell seconded and the motion was approved.

In regard to the notification of possible OEM structural and equipment removal. The board appreciates the heads up and will address when the owner has completed his refit. Other owners are reminded of Article V section 5 a – c of the PHRF bylaws which directs those changes to a boats OEM configuration including removal of equipment, structure or the non-carrying of an outboard are basis for rating review and may be validated on request by the Fleet Measurer.

PHRF Review – SC 50 *Passion* – Request of rating adjustment based on using slightly larger Spinnaker (10%) with a newly installed sprit.

Decision: J Bell moved to increase Passions rating to a provisional -6 (-6p) based on the increase of sail size and review in one year. Weakly seconded and the motion carried.

New Handbook/ By Laws Review

The current handbook is dated 2008 and is outdated as compared to how racing is currently conducted in South Texas and PHRF guidelines. There are two potential outcomes: 1) We enforce the outdated book onto the fleet or 2) We change the PHRF handbook and bylaws to reflect the current conditions in which the fleet operates. The PHRF Committee believes the latter is the best option and will move forward to continue the changes started in 2015. This will ultimately require approval of the new handbook at a future MORF Fleet Meeting. The goal of the STPHRF Committee is to make a votable draft available by the next annual meeting or before. The STPHRF believes we are a Tier 1 racing region that supports regional, national and world events. Our regional governance should be competitive and as professional as any other Tier 1 sailing region.

The process will include updates submitted and approved by the STPHRF Committee members, Club Race Chairs and by submission of changes submitted by the fleet. The STPHRF will request that the MORF Fleet Captain make available the current draft to members and members will have a form to submit changes (one per form) to the STPHRF Chair for review.

Public Comments None

Next Meeting Date Next meeting will be scheduled as needed but prior to the August deadline as required.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:40.