



**South Texas PHRF
Committee Meeting Minutes
11 March 2023**

The second meeting of the 2023 ST PHRF committee was called to order at 9:00 a.m.. on 11 March 2023 onboard the *Bay Star*. This was an open meeting. The agenda was published in advance and broadcast to all MORF members via email and the MORF website.

Members Richard Rincon, Rick Bell, Doug Weakly, Daniel Willias and Jim Robertson (the entire committee) were present.

There were no corrections or additions to the minutes of the previous meeting on 7 February 2023.

Old Business

None.

New Business

PHRF Review

1984 Erickson 381 *Waypoint* – Request from owner, Neil Gallagher, for increase in STXPHRF from 126 to 132 (max change allowed). During discussion Neil explained *Waypoint* has MarsKeel Stability Bulbs™ each weighing 330 pounds, bolted to either side of the keel. This extra weight permits reduction in the boat's draft as the existing keel is cut off below the bulbs. This modification was by a previous owner. Neil asserted this keel modification made for a stiffer boat to weather but the additional 660 pound displacement was a disadvantage when off the wind. The mainsail is stowed in a Stackpack™ which cannot be easily removed. This creates drag when beating to weather. Neil pointed out boats of this class or similar in Galveston have non-spinnaker PHRF ratings in the range 148 to 169 and spinnaker ratings from 126 to 138. The Chair pointed out that STXPHRF does not assign non-spinnaker ratings. Neil acknowledged that a roller furling genoa is standard for boats of this class. The boat does have a spinnaker pole.

During committee review base handicap changed from 117 to 120. Proposed a provisional rating of 129 based on +3 for 135% genoa, +3 for the keel modification and + 3 for the Stackpack. No points for the furler as it is OEM. Daniel made motion to adopt seconded by Doug. Vote was 4 ayes and 1 nay.

PHRF Review

1982 Southern Cross cutter *Restless* – owner John Stoner requesting STPHRF rating. During discussion John stated he has made interior modifications to cabinets and lockers, new electronics, larger battery bank. He estimated the boat has more displacement than before his updates but could not quantify. Boat is

cutter rigged so the 110% jib is standard. It could be used in conjunction with another jib on the cutter stay. Boat has a spinnaker pole.

During committee review a base handicap of 177 was set, being the mean of handicaps for this class boat in a range between 174 to 180. Proposed a provisional rating of 183 based on +6 for fixed three blade prop. Doug made motion to approve seconded by Richard. All members voted aye.

PHRF Review

1978 Hunter 30 Kali Ryan – Owner Brad Bowman requesting STPHRF rating.

During discussion owner stated this is a stock boat, factory equipped with roller furling genoa and fixed three blade prop. No modifications. Has a spinnaker pole. 1115% genoa is smaller than standard.

During committee review, a base handicap of 180 from the STPHRF valid list was assigned. Proposed a provisional rating of 186 based on +6 for the 115% genoa. Jim made motion to approve seconded by Daniel. All members voted aye.

PHRF Review

1997 X-412 *Dolly* (ex. *Wet Express*) – Owner David Wilson requesting STPHRF rating after overhaul of vessel.

Rating application not timely received and David was not present. This review will be rescheduled. Chairman Bell will coordinate.

Public Comments:

None

Next Meeting Date:

TBD. Chairman Bell will coordinate.

The meeting adjourned at 10:03 a.m.

Respectfully,



Jim Robertson, Secretary