

Fond du Lac Boating Club Constitution

Revised December 2019

ARTICLE 1

The Club shall be known as the Fond du Lac Boating Club (hereafter known as the "Club").

ARTICLE 2

The purpose of the Club shall be to promote good fellowship among members and others, promote safe boating and take interest in anything concerning boating and conservation.

ARTICLE 3

Dues shall be assessed on a family or single person basis. Family membership shall entitle only husband and wife to vote. Single members shall be entitled to one vote. The amount of dues shall be proposed by the Board of Directors and approved by the membership. All dues will be payable by the January meeting, or said membership will lapse. A member may be reinstated anytime before December 31st of the same year by paying a reinstatement fee of \$5.00.

ARTICLE 4

The Board of Directors shall consist of Commodore, Vice Commodore, Secretary, Treasurer and Rear Commodore. No officer shall serve in the same office for more than two (2) successive years. The affairs of the Club shall be under control and direction of the Board of Directors and shall be managed in all matters consistent with the object of the Club and terms of the Constitution and By-Laws. The Board of Directors shall have full interim power in emergency matters. The Board of Directors shall not have the power to rescind any previous action taken at a regular meeting. The membership shall have the power to rescind or revise any action of the Board of Directors. A quorum of the Board of Directors shall consist of three (3) of its members.

ARTICLE 5

All necessary committees shall be appointed by the Commodore. A nominating committee of three (3) members shall be appointed at the October meeting and shall prepare a slate of one (1) or more prospective officers, based on personal contact with members in good standing. The slate will be presented at the November meeting, and nominations accepted from the floor. Absentee ballots may be requested from the Secretary after the November meeting. The membership will vote by secret ballot at the December meeting. An auditing committee of three (3) members will audit the Treasurer's books after December 31st, and before the "Change of Watch" meeting in January.

ARTICLE 6

The money acquired through dues or any other source by the Club shall be used solely for the purpose of the Club's operation. No person shall receive any financial support of any kind for any purpose from the Club's funds, or shall the Club be responsible for any acts of misconduct of any of its members. Should misconduct require the suspension of a member, it shall be up to the Board of Directors and such suspension shall require at least four (4) votes of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE 7

The membership shall have the power to revise or change articles to the Constitution and By-Laws. The revision shall be presented in writing at any regular meeting and be voted upon at the next regular meeting. A two thirds vote of the membership present is necessary to effect the change.

ARTICLE 8

The Commodore shall preside at all meetings, countersign all checks issued by the Treasurer, and conduct such other duties as are usually required of a President or Commodore. In the absence or disability of the Commodore, for any reason whatsoever, the Vice President or Commodore shall be the delegate to the Wisconsin Boating Association. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings of the Club and Board of Directors. The Treasurer shall record all financial transactions under double entry bookkeeping system and perform such other duties as are usually required by a treasurer. No officer will succeed him/herself more than twice except for special circumstances approved by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE 9

No business of or far the Club shall be conducted unless a quorum is present. A quorum shall consist of not less than two (2) officers of the Board of Directors and 10% of the voting members.

ARTICLE 10

Any matter of procedure not heretofore described shall be governed by Roberts Rules of Order, revised.

ARTICLE 11

Any member or members who feel they cannot work on a committee project during the year must submit, in writing, their reason(s) to the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors shall use its discretion as to what constitutes just cause.

FOND DU LAC BOATING CLUB BY-LAWS

Revised October 1995

SECTION 1 - ORDER OF BUSINESS

- A. Call of roll of the Board of Directors
- B. Reading of the minutes of the previous meeting
- C. Treasurer's report
- D. Committee reports
- E. Communications
- F. Unfinished business
- G. Applications for membership
- H. New Business
- I. Welfare of the Club
- J. Adjournment

SECTION 2

The meeting shall be called to order at the appointed hour, and business shall proceed as per section 1.

SECTION 3

The meeting shall be orderly, and any member wishing to speak on any subject shall first be recognized by the presiding officer.

SECTION 4

A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, except when a member is speaking, or when a vote is being taken.

SECTION 5

At no time is the Club's name, funds or officer's name to be used by any member of the Club to conduct business outside of the Club, except in the case of the regular Club functions by the President or Treasurer.

SECTION 6

The Board of Directors shall consider only written accusations of any member's misconduct.

SECTION 7

The Commodore, Vice Commodore, Secretary, and Treasurer's burgees shall remain the property of the officers, and new burgees will be given to new club officers. Club burgees will be available to Club members only.

SECTION 8

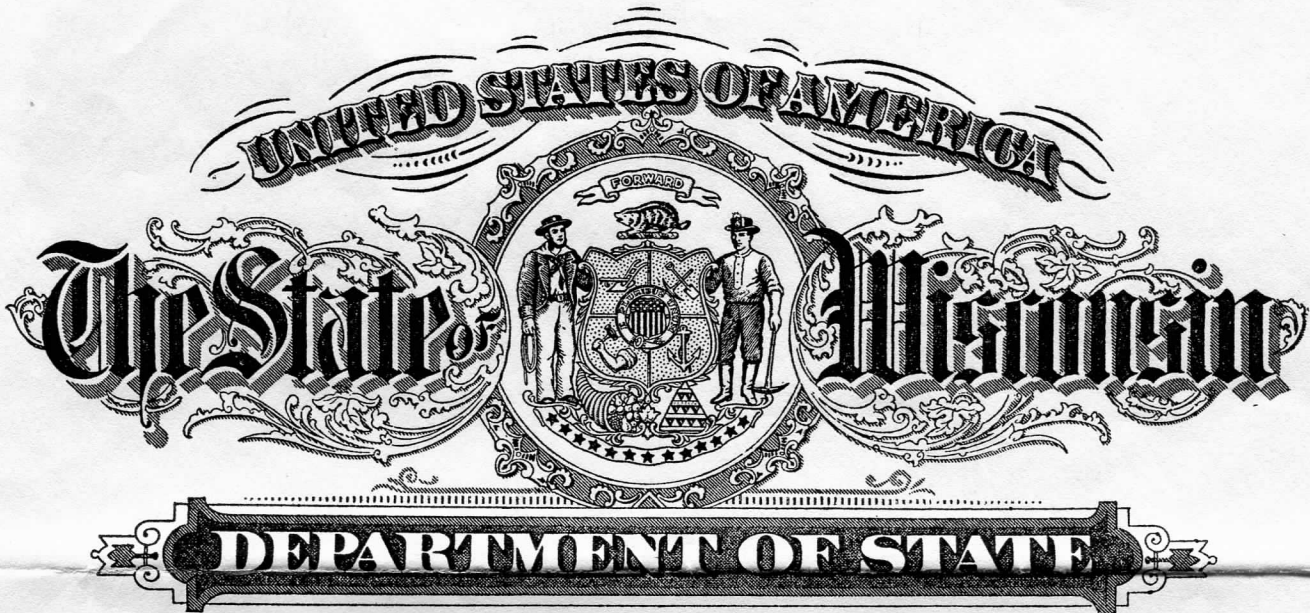
All applications for membership along with the first year's dues (to include the cost of the burgee) shall be submitted to the Board of Directors for screening. If the majority of the Board are in favor, the application shall be presented to the general membership and voted upon. If the applicant is voted down, all the money submitted from the applicant will be returned. If the application is submitted after August 1st (or the first scheduled meeting after the summer) the dues will be applied for the next years dues. All dues will be payable by the January meeting, or said membership will lapse. The dues are assessed from January to January.

SECTION 9

Any officer missing three (3) meetings without just cause shall be replaced by the Board of Directors. The Board shall use its discretion as to what constitutes just cause.

SECTION 10

Any members who feel they cannot work on a committee project during the year must submit in writing their reason or reasons to the Board of Directors. The Board shall use its discretion as to what constitutes just cause.



TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME:

I, Fred R. Zimmerman, Secretary of State of the State of Wisconsin do hereby certify that on the 10th day of March, A. D. 1953, Articles of Incorporation were filed in my office under the provisions of Chapter 182 of the Wisconsin Statutes, which Articles provide:

Name: THE OUTBOARD BOATING CLUB OF FOND DU LAC

Location: Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.

Capital Stock: Without capital stock and not for profit.

Business and Purposes: to unite into one fellowship any American citizens interested in boating and thereby create good fellowship among all members of the club.

I further certify that -----Five-----Dollars, the fee required by law, has been paid; and that a certificate has been filed in my office to the effect that said Articles were recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Fond du Lac County, Wisconsin, on the 21st day of March, A. D. 1953.

THEREFORE, The State of Wisconsin does hereby grant unto the said corporation the powers and privileges conferred by the Wisconsin Statutes for the purposes stated and in accordance with said Articles.



*In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set
my hand and affixed my official seal, at
the Capitol, in the City of Madison, this
31st day of March, A. D. 195³.*

Wesley L. Zimmerman
Secretary of State