**Minutes**

**Southern Maine Sea Kayaking Network**

**Board Call**

**Wednesday, July 6, 2022**

Members Participating:

Janet Robinson, President

Jenna Ginsberg

John Contas

John Haile

Nananda Col

Vytas Marciulionis (Vic)

Greg Fergin, Recording Secretary

The Board call commenced at 7:05 p.m.

1. Welcome.
2. Approval of Minutes: The Board unanimously approved the minutes of the June 1, 2022 Board call.
3. Old Business
   1. Committee Updates - Skills Committee.

John Haile reported that 45 members had signed up for skills sessions during the year so far, for which 35 were not in the club’s leadership team. The Board discussed who should be responsible for organizing and administering pool sessions next year – the Skills Committee, the Board, or volunteer(s) designated by the Board. John also conveyed to the Skills Committee’s view that it should be responsible for organizing free member-run skills sessions, but not sessions involving professional coaches where members pay a fee to the coaches. He stated that SMSKN needs to develop a standard procedure for dealing with professional coaches who wish to offer skills training to SMSKN members. After considerable Board discussion, Janet asked John H. to go back to the Skills Committee to ascertain whether it would be willing to organize pool sessions in 2023, and if so, under what conditions.

1. New Business
   1. Board membership: Janet announced that Joe Herlihy had resigned from the Board for personal reasons, saying that he had too many other commitments to be able to contribute fully to the Board. The Board discussed possible candidates to replace him.
   2. Janet closed the meeting with a request for Board members to post paddling trips on the Meetup page for members.
2. Closure and Action Items:

* John H. to get Skills Committee feedback regarding pool sessions in 2023.
* Board members to post more paddling trips on Meetup.

The Board call concluded at 8:10 p.m.

Next call: **September 7, 2022, 7 pm.**