Minutes of the skype meeting of NZTYA held on 17 March, 2014 at 7.30pm.

PRESENT: Alan Simpson, John Cullens, Alex Bruce, Colin McDonald and Jo Martin.

APOLOGIES: Monique Princen.

MINUTES of the previous meeting: Move that they be accepted as a true and accurate record, Jo Martin/Alex Bruce. Agreed.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Monique sent a report through. Move that it be accepted as read, Alan Simpson/Jo Martin. Agreed.

Move that we pay Monique \$35.00 for postage, Alan Simpson/John Cullens. Agreed.

Move that we pay Alan \$75.00 for engraving of the Nationals trophies, Alan Simpson/Colin McDonald. Agreed.

REPORTS:

Alan. Have been liaising with Evens Bay Yacht Club. Am going to their regatta on 5/6 April. Have had no dealings with YNZ. Had a quiet time.

Colin. Been to a number of regattas. Spoken to individuals rather than groups.

Alex. Not had many emails. Haven't been called upon deal with many issues. Been called on to deal with a new design and have given the person concerned all the details he needed. Haven't heard back from him as yet. The boat may have a canting keel which is not dissimilar to keels that can be wound back. Does not have moveable ballast. Does it conform? Is it legal or illegal? It raises lots of questions – are we happy for boats like that to be part of our association? Would the mechanics be enough for a 6 footer? Would racing courses allow for a canting keel? Does interpretation of that design fit our rules?

After some discussion about such boats it was decided that Alex was to research the situation for the next meeting so we can make a recommendation for AMR. We need to be inclusive.

Can't find the results from the Nationals held by BOPTYS. Need them to do the rating for the new a Whiting 16. Jo to check with BOPTYS and send them to Alex.

AMR. We earlier moved that it would be in Wellington. Alan to sound out Evans Bay re the use of their club rooms and the Brentwood Hotel for accommodation. For 8/9 August. Jo to get a notice ready asking for remits, etc.

RELEVANCE OF NZTYA. What do we do?

- facilitate ratings and help with designs
- help clubs with handicapping
- offer insurance options

- in the past have negotiated around trailer licensing, trailer regulations, marine farms
- have a caretaker function of all that structure where would one go to sort out a problem?

Where do we stand (trailer yachts) stand with YNZ?

Alex feels we need to exist to help provide a level playing field for trailer yachts. We have reduced costs by having skype meetings apart from AMR.

John asked if we weren't around who would look after the combined interest of trailer yachts and keel yachts. Who would rate on performance or do ratings on measurement?

Colin said we provide ratings and the self righting technology.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- 1. Insurance policy. Alan can't get hold of Nigel. He may be at the next AMR. Colin is to make contact with someone he knows who may be able to help.
- 2. Website. Alan is stuck getting information onto the website. He will get some help over Easter. The results from Lake Brunner were not clear. He needs the divisional results.
- 3. Crombie Lockwood survey of boats has been going for a few years. Yachties need to go back and ask them what they want.
- 4. Meetings. John is available any Monday except the first Monday of the month. The next meeting will be Monday 14th April at 7.30pm.

Meeting closed at 9.05 pm.