

## **Membership Committee:**

- The Membership Committee shall consist of three or more active members appointed by the Board of Directors. The Chairman of the committee shall be appointed by the Commodore and will be one of the three-committee members. Terms of office shall be at the discretion of the Commodore and the Board of Directors.

### **Duties and Responsibilities**

- The Membership Committee serves at the discretion of the Board of Directors in all matters pertaining to membership and the acceptance of new members.
- The Board of Directors shall provide the Membership Committee direction with regard to goals and objectives of new membership recruitment. The number of active members in the club is at the digression of the board of directors.
- New members must be over the age of twenty one (21) years, who shall have a sincere interest in the purpose for which the club was formed and shall be of good moral character.
- Active membership shall be open only to a bona fide owner of at least a 50% interest in a vessel equipped with bunks, a type approved sanitation system and used primarily for pleasure.

### **Procedure for Proposal and Approval or Disapproval of New Members**

- Any member who has been active for one year may propose a new member in writing, (e-mail letter to the Chairman will serve as “in writing”). The proposed member must have the endorsement of three active members, who have been members of the Club for two years.
- No member can propose more than one new member per year.
- The membership committee acting with reasonable expedience and after discussing the proposed new member with the Commodore, shall either approve or disapprove each proposal before moving forward in the process.
- If the proposal is approved to move forward, at least two members of the Membership Committee should interview the prospective new member,

explaining who we are, what we do, what we expect of new Yacht Club members, initiation fee and annual dues.

- The Membership Committee should also attempt to learn as much as possible about the prospective member, in order to determine if they would be compatible with the existing Club membership.

If the prospective member is not approved at this time by the membership committee, the chairman should notify them as soon as possible.

- After the interview and if approved by the membership committee, the prospective member is given an application to be filled out and returned to the chairman.

- The Prospective member is then invited to and must attend a cruise as Captain of their own vessel before they can be voted on by the Board for membership.

(Note; we have from time to time required them to also attend a dinner.)

- If after the cruise and if the Membership Committee's approval still stands, the prospective member's application is to be presented to the Board of Directors by the Chairman, or other member of the Committee, for their approval. **A unanimous approval of all nine (9) members is required.**

- It shall be deemed that an applicants membership in the Dos Rios Yacht Club becomes complete, fifteen days after publication of said applicants name, **the dues have been paid** and they have been formally inducted by the Commodore at a regular meeting, cruise or other scheduled event they are able to attend.

- Prior to induction of a new Member, the Membership Committee will prepare a New Member Packet containing: A club burgee appropriate for the size of the boat, a club decal, two club hats, a current roster, cruising schedule, two burgee pins, two club name badges and a welcome letter from the Commodore. The cost for this packet is funded by the club.

- At the induction, the membership committee Chairman or other member of the committee, shall act as host for the new member and introduce them to the general membership prior to induction by the Commodore.

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Annual dues are \$175, with a one time initiation fee of \$100. Our year begins on January 1 and ends On December 31. Entry into the club at dates other than the beginning of the year, can involve the dues being pro-rated at the digression of the Board of Directors.

A membership in The Dos Rios Yacht club includes two adults with each having one vote, and one primary cruising vessel.