## CONNECTICUT HARBOR MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING DECEMBER 11, 1997 at GUILFORD, CT

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Sammis.

Members present: **Bob Sammis**, Stratford HMC; **David Dunavan**, Norwalk HMC; **Karel denTex**, Mystic HMC; **Joel Severance**, Chester HMC

Others present: Geoff Steadman, Consultant; Michael Griffin, HM Norwalk

## **Old Business**

Bob Sammis reported on mailings he had made and attending a Sea Tow meeting.

Karel denTex presented the financial report which was accepted.

The Annual Meeting was reviewed. There were 12 commercial exhibitors. Next year we should allocate space ahead of time. The various town exhibits were good. Comments on breakout sessions: Bob Sammis; Should have no more than three. Dave Dunavan; More than three is OK if have separate rooms. There was general agreement we should skip the before and after general sessions as there is a lot of time lost. All agreed the dinner was good.

Possible sites for next years Harbor of the Year were discussed. Joel Severance suggested we send out a mailing to all towns asking what was done in the past year. We should plan to recognize different types of accomplishments.

Sammis noted we need to think about a speaker for next year. Two possibilities are the Bridgeport Steel Point Project and the Long Island Sound Study and implementation of the N2 reduction plan.

The list of articles for the Harbor Times and schedule for publication was reviewed.

Joel Severance suggested the Board of Directors should include representation from Associate Members and Harbormasters. A motion was adopted saying, "The board should consider changing the Bylaws to include on the Board of Directors one member elected by the Associate Members and one Harbormaster elected by the Harbormasters who are Associate Members."

Ideas for the Spring Conference were discussed.

David S. Dunavan Secretary