

Willamette Rowing Club
Board of Directors meeting
July 28, 2012, 0900 am

FINAL MINUTES

Present: Simon Cooper, Jann Byrd, Jeff Meyerhoff, Scott Smith, Jana Schweitzer, Bill Byrd, Tiff Wood, Susan Wood

Absent: Phoebe Shen, Jen Myers

Note, to do's and updates since the meeting in RED.

1. Overview of club finances: club is in good shape, with a # of new members. Although a few might not renew next year, we have had significant club growth this year. **We are awaiting reimbursement of the funds earned by the Club members' activities at NW Jr Regionals. Tiff is submitting the hours to PVRA treasurer.**
2. Annual dinner: agreement for Jeff to contact Kjell's to reserve (hopefully) the 3rd Saturday in January for our annual dinner.
3. Coaching: reviewed the summer coaching conducted by Bill and Tiff in Zeph's absence (due to his vacation). Agreed that we have received good pointers from them, and that a 2nd coaching launch has not been necessary.
 1. Need to plan for future, as Bill has resumed rowing, and Tiff plans to. Zeph on vacation until August 25th. Bill/Tiff will alternate coaching/launch duties for Tuesday/Thursday rows in August. We will see about getting some trial coaches to cover the weekends in August.
 2. Jana will ask Kalle Crafton, former coach of PWR and former Princeton rower, if he would be interested in trial coaching for WRC. **Note, since the meeting, he has received said email but has not responded, so likely not interested.**
 3. People will put out other feelers in the local community. Discussion that we might put an ad in Row2k as well- **did we reach agreement on this?**
 4. Note, subsequent to the Board meeting, on August 3rd, Simon talked with Zeph re not hiring him further as our coach due to not a good fit. Club will be notified that we are searching for a new coach.
4. Cox'ing: reviewed the additions of some RCRC coxswains on the occasional basis, and appreciation of same. Jana will email the 3 and inquire re their availability for the remainder of the summer. **Note, this has been done, responses not yet received, board members will be notified when responses do come in.**
 1. Midweek rowing will stop when it is dark at 6am.
5. Waiver for visitors as well as current members: this will be based on USRA waiver.
 1. We will have a stack at the boathouse for all visiting rowers/coxswains to sign prior to going out with us. If person under 18, we will ask their parent to sign.
 2. **This will also be sent out by Simon to all current rowing members to sign**, and then will be updated and re-signed annually at the Annual meeting (or thereabouts).
6. New boat discussion: Club considering purchase of smaller likely bow cox'ed 4+, in the 125-175# weight range, that will fit the women and the smaller men. **Scott has a few leads from Pocock, he will send out pictures.** The club can fairly easily afford the 2001 boat for \$6,000, so we will start with that one.

Meeting adjourned 10:15 am.