

Willamette Rowing Club
Board of Directors meeting
September 16, 2012, 0900 am

FINAL MINUTES

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

Absent: Jen Myers

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

1. **Overview of club finances:** club is in good shape. Some money still to come in-some past dues, and also awaiting the funds from PVRA for our club's volunteer activities at NW Jr Regionals. Tiff has submitted the hours, and Scott has been in contact with Lynn, the Treasurer of PVRA. Estimate that we will end the year with approximately \$9,000 balance, which is ok per our treasurer.

Reviewed the success of the line item of boat rental income from regattas-kudos go to Bill for organizing this.

Reviewed the success of the various boat purchases this year. All boats are fully paid. 65% of our active members donated towards the purchase of the most recent 4+ and we exceeded the donation goal for that boat. Kudos to Scott for his efforts.

As another income producer idea, Scott will talk with Katie about possibly trying to organize club members offering a room(s) in their home for visiting athletes for upcoming local regattas. Starting point would be to get the names of the regatta organizers from Regatta Central.

2 upcoming expenses: the Empacher is with Alan Stewart for repair- the claim is in with the insurance company, we have a \$250 deductible. Bill will talk with Alan about also fixing the steering, aiming for vast improvement, not just a minor tweak. Although not a formal vote, board members approved this fix. Cost approx \$2-300.

4 ergs need new monitors-we will pay for two (at \$150 per monitor), and Frank/ORU will pay for the other two.

2. Scott will send out reminders to all club members to **please sign our waiver form**-this has been done as of the writing of these minutes. Also he will send out a reminder to all to be current on the USRA waivers on Regatta Central, in light of numerous upcoming regattas.
3. **Coaching:** Steve Loaiza attended a portion of the meeting to introduce himself as a prospective coach. He reviewed his history as a rower and coach, and agreed to coach on a trial basis the upcoming weekend.

Board members also reviewed the trial coaching of Meagan Van Brocklin these past two weekends, and all agreed that we liked her style as well.

In light of the size of the club, Scott indicated that we could afford two coaches if desired. We can use Franks' launch for a 2nd launch boat at \$10 row as needed.

4. **Cox'ing:** Scott will run an ad in Row2K to see if we can drum up some more volunteer coxswains. Note, this has been done as of the writing of these minutes.
5. **Use of club equipment during non club-sanctioned rows:** Agreement that we will compile a list of private boats (mostly 2xs) that can be used by club members- will ascertain if those boats are insured and

what the deductible will be in the event of damage and a claim; if they are not insured, what would be the replacement cost; names of rowers that would be approved by each boat owner to use their boats. **Jana has asked for this information, and thus far has only heard back from Joe Sweeney. She will send out a reminder request.**

Scott will ask Susan to make Jana a manger on Team Snap, so that Jana can manage a new reservation system for weekday rows of both club and private boats. **He has asked, we are awaiting response from Susan.**

Only approved coxswains can cox club boats.

Once the above information has been compiled, **Jana will send out an email to the entire club advising of the new policies for use of equipment during non club-sanctioned rows, as well as their potential liability for same.** Will include a reminder to all rowers to please inspect equipment before and after each row, and notify Richard of any issues.

Meeting adjourned 10:30 am.