

The WRC BOARD meeting is called to order at 10:00 AM on 6-6-2021 by President Sarah Copeland

Attendance:

Marieta W - at Large

JP - At Large

Steve Winnett - At Large

Karla - At Large

Sarah Copeland - President

Fred S - VP

Michele G - Treasurer

Jann - Secretary

David S - Past President

Katie W - Member

Michele G - Treasurer's Report shared in detail by Michele G

Compared to our January budget, we have brought in \$14,000 more than anticipated in income. We brought in roughly \$6,000 more in dues and roughly \$8,000 more in donations (for our two new-to-us doubles) and the sale of the wakeless launch.

Compared to our January budget, we have spent roughly \$17,000 more than anticipated. The added expenses covered the purchase of two new doubles.

We have a number of budgeted expenses that are still outstanding, including launch maintenance, USRA fees (which we pay in the late fall), liability insurance, moorage for the launch, and rack rent. These anticipated expenses add up to roughly \$8,000.

In January at our AGM, we agreed to spend down our reserves by \$6,000 in order to purchase the new boats without burdening club members unduly by soliciting donations. We are on target for that amount of deficit spending if we make no changes to our budget. However, there are a few items that we should consider adjusting.

One adjustment is that we have budgeted \$1000 for launch maintenance. Steve Winnett anticipates that we need an oil change, which he can do (\$125), and a new propeller (\$100), for a total of \$225. We can save roughly \$775 on this line item if Steve takes care of the maintenance, which he has agreed to do.

A second adjustment relates to coaching. Due to the easing of restrictions on outdoor exercise, we have incurred more coaching expenses than originally anticipated. We have already spent \$1000 for coaching, which is the amount we allotted for the entire year. Michele asked the board if we could add an additional \$2400 for coaching.

With less expenditure on launch maintenance and additional expenditure on coaching, we will run roughly \$1600 more in the red this year than originally anticipated. JP moved and Fred seconded to spend this additional amount of reserves, and the Board approved the motion unanimously. The Board voted to approve spending into our reserves for these.

Coaching discussion - Surveys will be sent out as there is some talk about a lack of good coaching. Adam may not have the skills needed to go to the next level. JP shared that Adam has discussed with him the difficulties he is experiencing with coaching. JP suggested any coach, but in particular Adam, should be asked what they see as their role-job-focus. What are their/his expectations for growth both for the team and for themselves.

No safety launch out on weekdays - a disaster waiting to happen. We'll need to remind members that on weekdays they're rowing with added risk, namely, no launch.

Sarah C will speak with John R (Safety committee Chair).

Sarah Copeland asked Jann to consider presenting a “coxing clinic” for the team.

Weekdays - what are the protocol expectations for safety and coaching?

David - Do we want to sell the Mimosa? He and Richard have been talking about. Discussion - no support for selling. The consensus is that we are growing and need the boat rather than sell and have to purchase something else. Sarah pointed out that in addition to racing the Mimosa, the Return to Row (RTR) program would plan to use this boat as well.

Sarah - Mask/no masks. We no longer need them to row (outdoor activity), but iOaks prefers we wear them indoors. It was agreed that we will continue to follow Oaks Park guidelines/protocols. Currently guideline is 70% for the State.

10:45AM Joining the meeting:

Bill B - Men's Captain

John R - Safety Chair

Scott - New Members - He briefs us on the new members and tells us we are currently at 42 members. Board members inform us they have heard some rumblings from Station L folks who are disenchanted with that program. We will be mindful of this. Due to our location there are constraints on how big we can grow (location at the Park, size of the boat house and rack space, number of people we can safely put out on the water, and so on).

Sarah - Return to Row. Scott tells us he is receiving 2-3 inquiries per week and this leads to group tp suggests we postpone and extra work (for Sarah) on a RTR weekend since we are getting new people without it as of now. Discussion continued. One suggestion was to have Bill B coach new and RTR folks.

Sarah - TeamDinner/Gathering. It was suggested for the boathouse with a clean up day attached. Jann suggested we ask Marieta (in attendance) to have it at her beautiful place on the river. Marieta graciously agreed. Sarah will send out an inquiry and the date with

the most response will be chosen. We need to keep in mind her “adventure” of rowing the Columbia River begins the first of July so all options will be in June (date most likely June 26th).

Karla addressed the Board - She will be having hip replacement in the very near future and asked if she needed to step down from her Board position. NOPE!

Sarah adjourned the meeting at 11:03AM

Respectfully submitted, jann byrd, secretary