



Board of Directors Meeting Draft Minutes

September 25, 2024, 6:00pm, via Zoom

Board Members Present: Jerome Simone, President; Jeanne Wielgus, Vice President; Brigitte Blackman, Parent Representative, Mary Ann McCulloch, Treasurer, Laura Miller, Secretary, arrived at 6:50pm (after work commitment)

Guests Present: Chris Dadd (Head Coach); Millard (Skip) Dunham (Safety Committee); Carla Fuller (Safety Committee);

Quorum: Established

Motions:

New Hudson Quad will be purchased

In closed session, Junior rower will receive financial assistance

1. Roll Call, Introductions and Minutes

- Meeting opened 6:12pm
- Minutes approved from August
- No meeting was held in July therefore no minutes to approve from July

2. President's Report: Jerry Simone

- Gift certificate holder wanted to join the masters clinic. Gift certificate was \$150. Gift certificate can be used to offset the cost of other HBRA lessons

3. Coaching Status Report

- Coaching Report – Chris Dadd from the launch
 - Juniors – good consistent attendance, lots of boys. Have enough to do a boys 8. Fay is great coxswain. Hoping to attend Head of Lagoon with small boats. 18 or 19 juniors on the roster. Looking for an additional coach. No solution yet
 - Masters – Peter is coaching some evenings, Chris and Shenae been coaching the novice group.
 - Mary Ann asked if there is ever going to be split between people who want to race and those who are novices. Sometimes novices quit because they feel forced to race. Mary Ann proposed maybe on Sunday's there can be a varsity group and a rec group. Dues should remain the same because too complicated to keep track of it. Hard to separate people out and still give everyone an opportunity to row. Difficult when there are not enough coaches.
 - CPH crew, men doing well good numbers. Friday afternoons can get a little crowded on the water. For most part traffic patterns seem to work.

4. Safety Committee - Carla Fuller/Skip Dunham

- Safety manual has been updated, last updated in 2018. Contact information was updated. For Masters self validation on swim test. Juniors have to pass a swim test.
- Traffic pattern map has been posted in the boat house, will send it to Ashley at CPH
- Logbook/white board/magnet board to record crew and coaches. Must remain unaltered until rowers are off the water. What about people rowing singles scullers. A logbook is required by US rowing, is required

for rowers going out without a coach present. Non coached rowing logbook/excel spreadsheet will be kept in the boat house.

- Anyone driving the launch needs a California boating license. Issued by California state parks.
- Cold weather rowing, US rowing rule is that if the combined temperature is less than 90°F need to have four oar rule, unless accompanied by a coach.
- Darkness need a white light on the stern, red/green bow lights. Rowing in fog visibility needs to 100 yards, generally need to be able to see the bridge.
- Don't go out in 12 knots (14 mph) or higher.
- Safe sport policy, Skip suggested the manual should say to follow US rowing safe sport policy.

5. HBRA Social Media/Outreach: Jeanne Wielgus/Lorraine Dillon

- Lorraine was looking for password for the Facebook page. If anyone knows it, please reach out to Lorraine

6. Equipment

- Chris has quote for new Hudson, could be ready by the end of November. Very expensive. Is it worth looking for something secondhand. All participants polled for opinions.
- Jeanne made motion to approve purchase of the new Hudson Quad, Laura seconded, motion approved. Mary Ann will make financial arrangements.
- Lilly quote on trailer was approved. No update on if the work on trailer has been done yet.
- Dragonfly, Mary Ann is covering cost of repairs.
- Boat house paint. Work day suggested before November. Painting the boat house. Also need to assemble new dock Saturday September 28th. Sign ups will be on teamsnap

7. Juniors – Update by Brigitte Blackman

- Juniors parents plan to have regularly scheduled meetings. At the last meeting there was some request for fundraising that can be used to defray costs for regattas. Jerry confirmed that any money raised can be used for Regatta fees.

8. Financial Reports: report provided by Mary Ann

- Report will be sent out by email with breakdown.
- Meeting went into closed session. During the closed session, motion approved to provide financial assistance from Humboldt sponsors for junior rower fees.

9. Meeting adjourned at 7:51pm