



Board of Directors Meeting Final Minutes

March 25, 2026, 5:30 p.m., via Zoom

Board Members Present: Jerome Simone (President), Mary Ann McCulloch (Treasurer), Dayna Mauer (Secretary), Brigitte Blackman (Parent Representative), Jeanne Wielgus (Vice-President) @5:57 pm

Guests Present: Chris Dadd (Head Coach), Carla Fuller (Safety Officer), Lorraine Dillon (PR)

Start meeting at 5:30 pm

1. Roll Call, Introductions and Minutes

- Approve minutes of February 25, 2026 meeting - Approved.

2. President's Report: Jerry Simone

- Approve/acknowledge donations made to other organizations since last meeting - None.
- Dayna reports on the March 24 meeting with Eureka staff - The meeting focused on discussing the boathouse lease with city employees Robin Prazker and Jeff Raimey.
 - Dayna reported that the lease area covers only the boathouse footprint, gangway, and dock. (Robin and Jeff also felt that the language in the agreement was not clear as to what exactly our lease area is.)
 - Travis Schneider has a pay-to-own agreement with the city that, upon completion of payment, would transfer the HBRA lease to him for \$1/year for 25 years. The city representatives agreed to conduct a public records request to provide more details about Schneider's payment schedule. They will report back to us.
 - Public Works will occasionally grade the entrance road and lot but they have a lot to do. Technically, the area around the boathouse is not intended for vehicle access. Getting it approved for that would open up a can of worms (and perhaps be impossible) so best to leave that alone.
 - They suggested using sandwich boards to prevent parking in front of the boathouse doors during festivals.
 - If there are grindings from the trail repave, it will be mutually beneficial for them to put around our boathouse (less mud for us, no disposal fee for them). The caveat is they may be huge chunks. The trail work is out to bid now and should be completed this year before the rainy season starts.
 - CalTrans is redoing the lot under Samoa Bridge. There will be a new bathroom (on the HBRA boathouse side of the bridge), new lighting and also improvements to the launch, with both motorized and non-motorized options.
 - Jerry felt it was a good meeting and left feeling the city supports our continuing presence at our location on the waterfront.
 - Jerry offered to share HBRA's historical documentation with Dayna to ensure important information is preserved and accessible to future board members.
 - Dayna will place a summary of this meeting on the Google Drive in with the Lease Agreement.
- Boats that should be insured - We don't have a new schedule back yet from the insurance company.
- Truck Insurance update - It's \$1200 for 6 months (email from insurance carrier was incorrect). So it is \$2400/year, not the \$1200/year that we thought. Jerry thinks we should double back to USR and ask them again if they are going to carry (more affordable) insurance.

3. Financial Reports

- Financial Statements - Mary Ann McCulloch
 - Should financial statements be included in minutes if they aren't current? No. We are going to reduce the amount of times/year we post them/ask Katie for them since she has been slow in keeping up with our needs. We are hoping fewer reports/year will make them more timely/accurate.
 - Jerry needs to make sure that Chris gets the new Visa card. Chris said his still works.
 - LTR/Summer Sessions - This gets punted again.
- Fundraising
 - Walmart Spark Good - Skipped.
- "Scholarship" fund w/Sharon's \$\$ - Skipped.
- High School Soccer team visit (August) - Skipped.

4. Coaching Status Report

- Coaching Report with Head Coach Chris Dadd
 - Juniors - There has been good attendance. They had a nice racing weekend this past weekend and did pretty well. A couple of boats got medals. It was a good trip overall. Next regatta is more selective; they have to compete for seats so most likely fewer people will be racing. There are two more regattas.
 - Masters - The upcoming regattas need to be put on TeamSnap. MA will do it.
 - Sculling - Laura is currently certifying 6-7 novice masters.
- Humboldt Men and Women Crew Updates - The home regatta is this weekend on Saturday. Chris is going to lend the Gies to SacState and Chico. He might try to sell it to them.

5. Safety Committee - Carla Fuller

- Added signups for coach and safety launch to TeamSnap. This seems like it's working good.
- She is going to work on a first aid kit for the other safety launch. Carla wants to get ahold of the CPH one and look at it.
- Shenae asked about buying first aid stuff for the juniors. Chris can charge that on his card. Chris said kids used bandaids and tape the most.

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

- Mural on audio tour - Lorraine said ESAF wants to put a small vinyl sticker on the mural on the boathouse to make it part of their driving tour. Seems fine to all.
- HBRA will need to do publicity by the end of April with dates of LTR and dates for the summer session, if they are going to happen.

7. Equipment

- Repairs needed/in progress
 - Boats - Usual stuff. Yamaha needs an adjustment on the idle. Chris will make an appointment and have it looked at.
 - Erica found a seat for the Van Dusen. And Chris ordered one. There are two!
 - Boathouse Painting (summer 2026) - Skipped.
 - Adorni Walls - Chris said be careful what you ask for. If they see a huge problem then the boathouse may be closed for a bit.
 - Posting on row2k for a coach - The group discussed challenges in finding a master's coach, with Chris explaining that recruiting coaches in Humboldt County is difficult due to its isolated location.

They agreed to post a free advertisement on Row 2K to seek potential coaches, though Chris noted that finding qualified candidates remains challenging. MA said Lisa thinks we should try it.

MA left at 6:18 p.m.

8. Other items for discussion/information:

- Humboldt Bay Trail update and Lease review - Dayna covered that up top in the President's Report.
- Thank you notes needed/sent - Karen sent one to Ezra to thank him for his help.
- Placeholders
 - Dredging - Nothing.
 - RV Park project update - Dayna covered that up top in the President's Report.
 - City of Eureka Waterfront Plan - Nothing,
 - Humboldt County Harbor District Offshore Wind Energy Marine Terminal - We think it's dead.
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Adjournment 6:35 p.m.