



Board of Directors Meeting Final Minutes

April 27, 2026, 5:30 p.m., via Zoom

Board Members Present: Mary Ann McCulloch (Treasurer), Dayna Mauer (Secretary), Brigitte Blackman (Parent Representative), Jeanne Wielgus (Vice-President)

Guests Present: Carla Fuller (Safety Officer), Lorraine Dillon (PR), Chris Dadd (Head Coach) @ 5:50 p.m.

Excused: Jerome Simone (President)

Start meeting at 5:37 pm

1. Roll Call, Introductions and Minutes

- Approve minutes of March 25, 2026 meeting - Minutes approved.

2. President's Report: Jeanne Wielgus (Jerry is absent)

- Thank you from CPH for our donation.
- High School Soccer team visit (August) update? - MA doesn't think there has been any update.

3. Communications/Announcements

- MA mentions a Discover card class action lawsuit settlement postcard. Should we pursue this? All agree that it's not worth our time.
- How best to communicate to our members? We have a current roster in TeamSnap. The HBRA Masters Google group is probably a lot of people who no longer row and no newer people. Scullers Group is probably more current. Jeanne wants her SuperSaas roster to match MA's roster. MA has all the Juniors TeamSnap info. So it's the Masters and Scullers lists which should be compiled. Jeanne and MA have this info.

Chris Dadd (Head Coach) joins @ 5:50 p.m.

4. Coaching Status Report

- Coaching Report - Chris Dadd
 - Head Coach - He warns of boats having to be washed leaving from regattas because of mussel danger.
 - CPH - A men's double won and now they have to figure out if they can get to the Nationals in TN.
 - Juniors - Shenae and Jo have been picking up the coaching slack with the Juniors. Chris will take 1-2 flyweights to Southwest Regionals as well as some oars. This needs to be noted in SuperSaas.
 - Masters - Peter has been taking up the slack in Masters. Lisa also did a practice one night. Jo is available for a lot more coaching next year. One of Chris's CPH rowers will be around and can't row. Chris thinks he'd be good candidate for Masters coaching.
 - Sculling - MA says Laura is certifying several newbie Masters as scullers.

Chris left @this point

- LTR & Masters summer session - Mary Ann
 - MA said National LTR Day (June 06) is the same weekend as River City Rebellion. Peter, Chris, Laurel and Marty will be gone. Do we want to shift it to the next weekend? We aren't sure if June 06 or June 13 will work better.
 - We need people who can drive the launches/coach if it's June 06. Carla said Skip could coach that day. We also would need a few good coxes to steer the boat. Lorraine will talk to Peter and Chris first and see if they care if they miss LTR. If not, she will ask CPH coaches (Matt, Lisa, Ashley) and Shenae if they could do June 06. MA/Lorraine will work on handouts for after LTR/info about Masters summer session.
 - Lorraine will figure out a system so that Marabeth can answer LTR phone calls. Lorraine will do publicity and the ads as well as figure out the signup program and then pass off the signup management to Marabeth.
 - MA reports on the April 22 meeting to gather information about having the summer sessions. A summary of this meeting will be distributed to the board and those who attended the meeting once Dayna looks at it. That summary will serve as a record of what MA said here at this board meeting.
 - One of the ideas from that meeting is a Return to Rowing Day. Jo brought up as possible coach for this. Maybe have a day or a short free clinic to encourage former rowers to come back to rowing. MA will talk to Chris about that.

7. Equipment

- Repairs needed/in progress
 - New motor had a few adjustments and a tuneup. The other one did quit on Peter the other day, MA said. Chris said don't use the big jugs to refill the smaller gas tanks. He thinks we should just do an account at Renner so that we can fill up the tanks even when they aren't open. There might then be a slight discount on gas as well.
 - Boat repairs
 - Would it help to have someone to repair or track necessary repairs? Chris said yes to the help. Maybe we need to have a more prominent whiteboard in the boathouse to track repairs. Smaller issues should be dealt with at practice by the coach.
 - Replacing the board at the Adorni - Chris doesn't think is that big of a deal. No one is going to fall through. It is the city's part of the dock. It looks much worse than it is.
 - Aluminum dock at the big boathouse has an issue. Guy who fixed the riggers can come and fix that part of the dock. Chris said he does good work. We should move forward with scheduling this.
 - Boathouse Painting (summer 2026) - Not discussed.
 - Adorni Walls & Dock (City of Eureka) - See above about the dock.
- Discuss Row2k job announcement - Lorraine and MA will do the ad. It will say we are looking for a Masters Coach and housing is a possibility.

5. Safety Committee - Carla Fuller

- She is going to bring more first aid supplies to the boathouse.
- She is going to ask Peter if he can do a demo of getting back into a flipped quad boat.

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

- Facebook - Jerry doesn't have access to the Masters FB group. We don't seem to know who does so think it may be better to delete it and start over.

Lorraine left @6:48 pm

Carla left @6:49 pm

8. Financial Reports

- Financial Statements - Mary Ann McCulloch
- Grants/Fundraising

- \$1,000 received from Humboldt Sponsors. Jerry got a letter about the ceremony and we didn't know about it so we missed the ceremony. We need to fix this issue and have the mail go someplace where we all will know about it or request that emails be sent as well.
- \$800 received from Foggy Bottom Milk Run. This paid for the new megaphone with \$ left over. Maybe we get another speed coach.
- MA wants to get CCCU statements sent to P.O. Box so she can see them. There are finance charges and discrepancies with what she is seeing from the bookkeeper. MA is going to try to get another bookkeeper.
- MA will doublecheck and make sure we have an automatic extension on filing taxes.
- MA will invoice for Juniors' regattas and Anya's boat.

9. New Business

- Review Express Sculling Certification requirements and fee - We all agree that what we are charging seems too low, especially based on the time Laura Miller has been spending certifying people. We think perhaps Express Sculling certification should be offered only with the consent of a coach or Laura Miller herself. She should only do 1-2 Full certifications at a time. (Three people is too many.) Express sculling is \$50/person. Full certification is \$150/person. MA said Express should be \$75/person. We end agreeing to have a meeting with Laura to discuss so we can decide what the pricing will be.
- Coach Hotel Cost - who should cover the cost. MA said we upped the stipend years ago but it doesn't really cover enough. Brigitte said that the cost of the coach's hotel room should be divvied up between the Juniors' parents. Motion to pay for coaches' hotel fees. All agree. Brigitte thinks Juniors parents should have a pre-regatta meeting. They used to have them but they were poorly attended.

10. Other items for discussion/review

- Humboldt Bay Trail update - Dayna needs to follow up with Robin.
- Thank you notes needed/sent - None.
- Placeholders
 - Dredging - Nothing,
 - RV Park project update - Dayna will follow up with Jeff Raimsey.
 - City of Eureka Waterfront Plan - Nothing,
 - Humboldt Co Harbor District Offshore Wind Energy Marine Terminal - MA mentions SoCal is pursuing state funding to get things done so maybe the North Coast project could be revived this way.

Adjournment 7:29 p.m.