



Board of Directors Meeting Final Minutes

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

Board Members Present: Jerome Simone (President), Jeanne Wielgus (Vice-President), Mary Ann McCulloch (Treasurer), Dayna Mauer (Secretary),

Guests Present: Carla Fuller (Safety Officer) out @ 6:18 p.m., Lorraine Dillon (PR) out @ 6:41 p.m., Chris Dadd (Head Coach) out @ 7:17 p.m.

Excused: Brigitte Blackman (Parent Representative)

Start meeting at 5:42 pm. Officially in order 5:54 p.m. when Jerry joins.

1. Roll Call, Introductions and Minutes

- Approve minutes of April 27, 2026 meeting - Dayna 1st and MA 2nd. Approved.

2. President's Report: Jerry Simone

- Approve/acknowledge donations made to other organizations since last meeting - None.
- High School Soccer team visit (August) update? - No news.
- PO Box keys - Jerry went to pick up the mail and to get a new PO key to to pay the rental. PO Box key that was lost has been found! Jeanne moved to pay \$160 for the PO Box. MA 2nd. Approved.

3. Communications/Announcements, MA - None.

4. Coaching Status Report

- Coaching Report - Chris Dadd, Head Coach
 - Juniors - Had a good regional regatta. 4 boats in the finals. A single got a silver. Anya came in 4th. She is going to the nationals in FL. Shenae will accompany her. Juniors spring season wrapped up a week ago. A handful of the boys are Anya's sparring partners now; there is a core of them who are focused on helping her, which is great. In spite of all the trouble, this year feels like a turning point and the team is (re)discovering camaraderie.
 - Masters - Not a lot of racing enthusiasm on the team. A few people are going to River City Rebellion. We still need a full-time coach. We are looking at having someone for the summer and into the fall.
 - Sculling - A few men and women CPH rowers probably will get certified and start to scull.
- Humboldt Men and Women Crew Updates - Women are in GA getting ready for the Nationals. The CPH men's double was in TN at the Nationals. They came in 4th, even with 1 guy sick and not following the game plan.
- LTR - MA reports for Marabeth. There are 21-22 volunteers. 35 participants signed up so far. Matt and Lisa will coach on the water, Shenae on land. Marabeth is going to reach out to Dave as well. Perhaps he can be an alternate. Lorraine said the LTR ads are finished. Now it's just word of mouth and posters. We discuss how to set up some kind of email access to HBRA's Gmail account for Marabeth so she can field LTR questions. Jeanne suggests setting her up as a delegate. Jeanne and Lorraine are going to figure that out.
- Summer Sessions - Dates are set up for the Juniors. Five adults are already signed up for the Masters Summer Sessions.

5. Safety Committee - Carla Fuller.

- We want a coach to talk to the club about getting back into a multi-person boat. Chris and Carla both said there isn't anything online or standardized. Chris will plan on something for Sunday, May 31. Additionally, Laura M. will ask independent scullers if they have done dump and recover. If not, they should at least look at a video as a part of their training. We discuss adding language to the sculling certification that makes people aware that they should wear a life jacket if they have not done a dump and recover session.

6. HBRA Outreach/Communications: Lorraine Dillon/Jeanne Wielgus

- Summer advertising recap - Should we do ads for the summer rowing? Maybe do it for Juniors, but the kids also have the option of starting in the fall. The feeling is that the adults need to get started in the summer so that they can be more easily folded into the Masters Rowing Team come fall, so perhaps the money should be spent there.
- Facebook (Have Jrs only. Need to contact Aubert) - MA will contact Aubert before the July meeting. She wants to be able to use these accounts, and she needs to speak with him to get his name off it/get control.

7. Equipment

- Repairs needed/in progress
 - Boat repairs - Marty and Peter have put the Bridges back together. Chris re-wired the Tui. There are 3 cox boxes which work. Riggers from CPH were useful for repairs on it as well. Rowers have to NOT tap the riggers on the dock. Should use Tui for LTR. And the Scott will be rowable for LTR day as well. Chris will talk to Marabeth and let her know to use these boats.
 - Boathouse Painting (summer 2026)
 - Meeting - Organize one so we can tap some of the resources we have (Michael, Tony).
 - Building repairs prior to painting - Chris needs to do some carpentry work. He will talk to Peter and Marty as well. Dayna will send out email to gauge interest from teammates and then forward those names to Peter and Chris.
 - Adorni Walls (City of Eureka) - Nothing.
 - Adorni Dock (City of Eureka) - Jeff from the City of Eureka has put this on the list for harbor staff to do. They will apply grip paint to the aluminum plate.

8. Financial Reports

- Financial Statements - Mary Ann McCulloch - MA goes over the sheets. Financials will not be included with these minutes as there are a few things MA needs to chase down.
- Grants/Fundraising
 - Didn't receive the CCCU grant for the roof. Will apply again at next cycle and beef up the narrative more.
 - Kinetic bake sale recap - \$885. They will donate this money for a new double. (Seilers will pay for Shenae's way to FL.) HBRA has received \$18-19k anonymously for a new double. It's a match pledge so we have to do some fundraising. Kids will send out letters and have a Row-a-thon. We need to set up another account or use a platform that allows you to set up to see a matching amount. Jeanne said we could set up a campaign on PayPal (a giving fund) which has no fee.
 - MA moves that we set up an add'l liquid asset account at CCCU. for this giving campaign. Dayna 2nd. All approve. Dayna will do this.
 - Primary person for PayPal account - Dayna will be this person. Jeanne and Dayna will get together and set this up. The new giving campaign through PayPal will put the \$ into a new CCCU account (which Dayna will set up. See above.)

9. New Business

- Approve new fees for Sculling Certifications and master summer session. MA moves that HBRA charge \$225 for masters summer session and for independent sculling certification, with a pro rata for express scullers. All approve.
- CCCU - who should be the primary person for E-statements, in case we turn that back on. MA moves that email should be humboldtbyrowingassoc@gmail.com at CCCU. If we cannot do that then it should go to

daynacmauer@icloud.com. MA also moves that Dayna's phone number should be the contact on CCCU. Jeanne 2nd. All approve.

10. Other items for discussion/review

- Humboldt Bay Trail update - Dayna said City is in the contracting and insurance phase. There is no schedule yet.
- Thank you note sent to Marabeth for handling the uniform order & fitness challenges, getting launch certified and being a reliable volunteer with such a positive attitude. A thank you sent to Sara for the port-a-loo shuffle in and out of the boathouse for servicing.
- Placeholders
 - Dredging - Nothing,
 - RV Park project update - Nothing.
 - City of Eureka Waterfront Plan - Nothing.
 - Humboldt Co Harbor District Offshore Wind Energy Marine Terminal - Nothing.

Into closed session at 7:14 pm

Out at 7:19 p.m.

11. Adjournment @ 7:19 p.m.