



Board of Directors Meeting Final Minutes

July 29, 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), Lorraine Dillon (PR), Chris Dadd (Head Coach) (@ very end of meeting)

Excused: Brigitte Blackman (Parent Representative)

Start meeting at 5:26 p.m.

1. Roll Call, Introductions and Minutes

- Approve minutes of June 22, 2026 meeting. Dayna's presentation is 1st motion, MA 2nd.

2. President's Report: Jerry Simone

- Approve/acknowledge donations made to other organizations since last meeting - None.
- High School Soccer team visit (August) update - Jerry hasn't heard anything. He will contact coach July 30.
- PO Box (will HBRA be recognized as a boxholder?) - Jerry can't remember the solution to this, but there is a way to recognize HBRA as a boxholder. He will check again July 31.

3. Communications/Announcements - None.

4. Coaching Status Report

- Coaching Report - Chris Dadd (he doesn't join until the end)
 - Masters
 - Sebastian Hasslequist - MA talks about this. Rowed here through Spring of 2021. He has been coaching Masters the last few years in Orange County and is back in Humboldt and would like to coach. He talked to Chris and he thinks it will work nicely. We want to send him a contract.

4. Safety Committee - Carla Fuller

- HBRA is doing a dump and recover in the bay. It is going to be August 22, at low tide around 9 a.m. Skip and Carla will definitely be there as will be Marty, in case a medical person is needed. Launch will be out there. Carla wants to ask Chris if he can be there. Boats are not being flipped over. People are going to be in the water and trying to get back in. Carla doesn't want to have people do it if they haven't tried it in the pool. She also isn't sure she wants to open it up to Juniors and wants to cap attendance.
- There aren't enough life vests in the Adorni boathouse. MA wants Carla to buy some.

(Carla leaves)

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

- Lorraine - looking for dates for Juniors for the fall, and will put on the website if nothing else. In order to do an ad, she needs to get the dates.

- Article & ad appeared in the Mad River Union about Juniors fund drive for boats. That was great, but Lorraine didn't know about it. Her concern was that if she had placed an ad, that would have looked dumb.
- Lorraine also mentions talking to people about how they found out about rowing. Thinks better signage on the boathouse would be helpful as people don't know about us. Lorraine is thinking about making a laminated sign about rowing and put it on the boathouse. MA says we need to get the HSU signage off the boathouse and put HBRA on there. Lorraine would like to upgrade who the painter is on the bayside doors. Jeanne is suggesting wraps, like what CPH has on the Aquatic Center. All agree when the boathouse gets repainted that Humboldt Bay Rowing Association should be prominent, especially on the bayside.
- Facebook & Instagram - Mary Ann is going to just start using it and posting. If it bothers Aubert, then we can figure out what to do. Otherwise, she is forging ahead.

7. Equipment

- Repairs needed/in progress
 - Boat repairs & disposition - Nothing has happened as Chris has been gone. MA wants to know what happened to the Rosso. All we know is that Juniors dropped it. Two ergs which had issues got fixed. August 16 after practice we need to work on the ergs to get them ready for the Rowathon. Do we give Marabeth permission to put the Gies on Row2k and to handle the transaction? Need to ask Chris.
 - Boathouse Painting (Repairs in August, painting in September) - Dayna says need to talk to Chris about boathouse repairs in August and need to notify those who said they can help.
 - Adorni Walls - Nothing.
 - Adorni Dock - Dayna has gotten feedback from people who are thrilled the grip tape got added. We will see how it does over the winter.

8. Financial Reports

- Financial Statements - Mary Ann McCulloch doesn't have any right now. She discovered an error, which she needs to fix. MA needs to tie entries to charges on the CC and she asks for Dayna's help.

(Lorraine leaves at 6:02 p.m.)

Closed session at 6:02 p.m.

Closed session ends 6:07 p.m.

- Grants/Fundraising
 - Update on 2x boat(s) fundraising - MA received an email from Greg Seiler about what they have raised and she talked to Chris about it. Chris and Jerry say if they raised all the \$ for the boat, they get to row it, at least for a year. MA said the Masters hadn't been asked to contribute to the fundraising yet.
 - Juniors Rowathon Aug. 23 - Discussed in regards to the ergs.

9. New Business

- Anya Seiler Youth Nationals coach and entry fee - Mary Ann asks about HBRA picking up the coaches fee. Jerry said he doesn't remember charging for coaches fees. Dayna makes a motion to pay for the coach, Jeanne 2nd.

10. Other items for discussion/review

- Humboldt Bay Trail update - Dayna. No news. She thinks it's done. Will check with Brittany when she returns to Humboldt.
- Thank you notes needed/sent - We need to send thank you to people who have donated. Scott sent one to Weises for helming LTR.
- Placeholders
 - Dredging - Nothing.
 - RV Park project update - Nothing.
 - City of Eureka Waterfront Plan (different from Bay Trail) - Nothing.

- Humboldt Co Harbor District Offshore Wind Heavy Lift Marine Terminal meeting 6/24/26 - We should look for minutes someplace.

6:28 p.m. Chris joins from the water. MA asks about fall dates for Juniors. Shenae and Chris have been t talking about it. Chris and Sebastian are going to meet next week. He is open to coaching anyone. Chris thinks he'll be great. Chris was measuring and looking at repairs to the boathouse.

11. Adjournment 6:32 p.m.