

**Boulder Community Rowing Board Meeting
December 8, 2008
REI Conference Room**

Present: Suzanne, Andrea, Josh, Nicole, Joanne, Marc D
Guests: Mark V, Eric, Ashley

Closed Session:

No email votes

Marc V was welcomed as a new member of the Board

Nicole mentioned her Proposal for teens and indoor rowing business.

Discussion of Ashley's business at the BOP and the limitations financially. Board agreed that she can do her "erg program" as a tutorial with no money exchanging hands. Regular ergers take precedence on the erg.

Board approved November minutes. Jana will be asked to post to the web.

Finances:

Joanne – is creating what she is calling "the Department of the Treasury" where different tasks related to finances will be delegated and our financial network reformatted. Leah-Kim will be the bookkeeper and will, starting in Jan. realign how things are recorded in Quickbooks. All income and expenses will be broken down by programs. There will be "back-up" people with sufficient familiarity regarding the financial set-up to guarantee continuity.

Joanne will pay the first years \$10.00 a month for an on-line Quickbooks afterward if it works Club will take it over.

Jim has agreed to hang on to the insurance piece and make sure equipment list accurate with insurer and deal with claims.

Jackie has been doing Regatta Central and making deposits.

We will line up our Quick book categories with Regatta Central categories

Joanne will find a back-up person for Leah-Kim

Joanne will be gone in January.

There are 30 people's whose finances are not resolved and Jackie will follow up on them all.

Suzanne, Cinda and Jackie need to meet to talk about private lessons for sculling and how to do the payments so that they can be tracked.

Suggestions and questions:

Query the unpaid advances to the HOC and if there is a past advance on Hooch that has now been received.

Coaches names will be removed.

Separate boat and car expenses.

Marc asks about whether we are in interest bearing accounts?

Joanne will do Morgan Stanley and other accounts on line.

Make hats and glasses additional categories to be tracked

Member Announcements

Marc D – presented his bio and indicated that he would like to pick up some responsibilities (skills include boat building, mechanics, computers, coxswain)

Marc was nominated to be the board member in charge of the coxswain program and take it where he would like to Take a look at the coxswain program and take over. Marc will contact Fran and coordinate with her.

Marc is volunteered to put together a Listserv for archiving and disseminating of business/email votes on line for all board business. Board approved a motion that Marc will put together a listerv for all board business.

Josh is requesting several volunteers to help with the equipment over the winter

Ashley – Feldenkrais workshops; purpose is to provide more opportunities regarding how you move and how it applies to rowing. She is available morning and evening; could do 6 sessions or could do individual sessions or drop in. 4 weeks end of January beginning of February. Ashley will create announcement to the club.

Reservoir update:

Nicole reports:Committee consisting of Joanne, Eric, Mark V, Terri, Fran, Nicole, (and in conjunction with Alex Berlin, Jeff Erickson, Laurie treasurer of CJC

Joanne is working on making connections with Boulder City Council members. It is feeling good but will require a couple of months to understand outcome.

Have some members of P& R on our side as well as 3 City Council members. Ken Wilson says we will have no problem with the city council. Nicole will send out a summary of efforts to date.

Next steps: one week from today is the next P & R meeting which we will attend

ALL CALL TO THE CLUB; IMPORTANT City Council Tuesday Dec. 16th – Nicole stated that this is the most important day for BCR to get people there for the meeting and into the audience to show unity and interest. 6:00 pm City Council Chambers 1777 Broadway. Corner of Broadway and Canyon.

Terri will send out a separate announcement to the club – This is the thing that needs to be done

for BCR.

Recommended to contact each of the other city council members prior to the meeting. Stacy is the messenger for a system that CC and P & R advisory board is changing to be more favorable toward non-profits and how they contribute to the community. The staff sets the rates and Stacy is the staff; she is setting it to be about \$20,000 a year. Eric – we have to keep her abreast of what we are doing and suggested a letter that tells her some of the ideas that we are having; we want to work with her but also are taking a parallel path. Stacy has been very successful at increasing some of the rates that people are paying. Mark – is educating people about rowing on the city council.

Programs:

Terri not here;

Coaching – Suzanne sent out a Coach’s survey which she will put together for Terri
Greg Ruckman will be invited to talk about his interest and proposal (Suzanne will email)

Setting races

Mark V. volunteered to be part of Terri’s program, committee and will contact her.
Overall the programs are likely to remain intact but there is new year “tweaking” to do and BCR needs to be involved in doing it. Board discussed this as a call to action and commencement
Race – Mark V will contact Terri and coordinate the racing meeting

Cinda will contact Terri and coordinate the sculling meeting

Jackie would do LTR but will need back-up/ needs to know Res event calendar – should contact Terri about both of those. Joanne will ask Jackie if she is interested.

Need a coordinator Experienced and for Novice and to please contact Terri.

Nicole will let her know what is going on –

Tempe trip: Leah Kim will be in charge – Andrea will talk to LK about setting up the race

San Diego Crew Classic: All events but Open for women are full and Men are trying to get boats together.

FUNdraising –

- Corissa moving forward with art exhibition as fundraising
- Meeting last week to discuss fundraising last chunk of money for M2

Membership-

Corissa not here but reported that she is trying to meet with Jacque to discuss

CJC –

more to be talked about it. Members concerned about way the juniors treat our equipment.
Discussion regarding the way all members treat our equipment and how to resolve.

Discussion of fees that CJC pays and the basis for their fees. It was agreed that commiserate with the raise in fees from the Reservoir and the cost of repairs and maintenance on the boats that we will be raising CJC's fees. We will determine this later once we know more from the Res.

Other Items

Scullers may need to pay to come in whenever they come in; may make a change for the sculling program. We will also need to discuss sign out for sculls etc

How can we discuss boat damage and boat care in the programs? needs to be addressed by the coaches/membership orientation; and daily with the coxswains. Brittany does a nice job but it needs to be reiterated. Andrea will get her spiel on that and have it reiterated frequently. Marc feels that to do major damage to a boat it comes down to the coxswains. Individual rowers do very little to hurt a boat. If we have novice level coxswains we must accept higher level of damage.

Coach Liaison – is Josh; basically Josh will have a back-up person due to his work schedule. Suzanne volunteered

Josh

1. all of the curriculum must be reviewed in person with the coach so that there is no excuse that they don't know what the curriculum is.
2. need to create standardization of how we do things as person as there are differing opinions. Needs to be collectively agreed upon (example; oar tips up or down)
3. reminders about staying with novice coxswains; they are supposed to give coxswains coaching, how to carry, boat handling and maintenance, outline specific points for care and how you place oars on the ground. (we decided on tips down).
4. should be reviewed for all of the coaches yearly.
5. If one of us around, we get to have accountability for job performance.
6. appropriate use of the equipment log must be included

Marketing

Lisa not here; Andrea reported

Lisa sent out one last call for surveys. We need more to get a good representative sample to address changes.

Nicole will present list of who is volunteering for different positions

web-site: Lisa has been in contact with to find a design for the website. Andrea is going to get a programmer and begin in Jan.

Yahoo group – discussion to get rid of it and use the web site in it's stead. Marc will look into the advisability of being able to do a group email from the website with a comparison sheet by the next board meeting.

Equipment

Josh

Estimated cost of repairs during last final work party assessment is \$1200 and does not include erg repair or CJC 4 or paint or sandpaper to re-paint the oars. Does include backstays and cox box chargers. A charger, headband and some microphone issues and a new wiring harness for the Angel are also needed. Nicole will bring coxbox to Josh to see if they can get it fixed.

Cosmetic damage to 4 needs to be looked into

50 bucks for erg maintenance

\$1600 or \$1700 dollars for repairs is the new all inclusive estimate.

Same handle problems will re-occur in spite of their being screwed in; recommend that we look for a set of sweep blades (\$1700 bucks for a set of 8-10). Mark V will look for a set.

Josh is looking for a couple more Volunteers and we will start working soon on repairs in the barn and oar painting. In Jan. Josh will send out emails for small groups to work on oar painting plus a clear coat.

Pile of old CU spoons – we can look into using them/buying them for LTR

Josh will talk to Alex or Fran.

Nicole will hold checks for Joanne while gone

Tie down the new launch – Mark V volunteered to bring it to Suzanne's house

Engines – winter maintenance cost approved