

SLRC EC Meeting - Summary
Sunday, September 20, 2015

Attendees: Lisa Jones, Deena Krestel-Rickert, Jeff Marden, Peggy Francis, Cathy Cooksey , Susie King, Stu Sharp, John McCool, Jenn Canaday, Tim Franck.

Minutes from the August 30 EC open meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report: As of September 18th the balances of the following accounts are:

\$32,723.20	Capital
\$8,115.16	Booster Fees
\$21,551.87	Jr. Fundraising
\$750.00	Heilman Fund
\$7,465.00	Truck fund
\$711.70	Sculling Clinic
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\$71,316.93	TOTAL Capital Acct.
\$19,363.27	Simon Fund
\$34,231.33	Operating Account

The Capital Account is up due to a matching donation from Pfizer. The Booster Fees are down due to the prepayment of the coaching supplement for the Spring and Fall seasons. Payment for the salvage shells that the club repurchased has been made. We still owe Pocock \$56,000 which we will start making payments on once the boats are delivered. We also owe Wintech a total of \$27,083, but are making payments. Also coming due is our yearly insurance, which will be due on January 1, 2016. The Operating Account is down due to the prepayment of buses for fall regattas.

We need to check with those taking boats to regattas that are not being trailered by SLRC (Head of the Des Moines, Head of the Charles) that they have the proper insurance to cover the boats in case of damage or will assume full financial responsibility if something happens to the boat.

We need to follow-up with club members that had expressed an interest in making a donation to the club after the damage sustained back in May.

Coach's Report:

The Juniors are in the second week of Novice tryouts. The number of novice boys trying out has dropped off and we are making efforts to increase that. The coaches plan to keep 15 – 20 novice girls, and approximately 10 boys. The Varsity squads currently have 56 girls and 33 boys.

In regards to equipment, the Pocock pair/double has been fixed and will be picked up. We are still waiting on delivery of the new 8's from Pocock. We could use (and would like to purchase) an additional set of lifts, but will need to look at that sometime in the future.

There will be a corporate team building event on Oct. 6. An email will go out for volunteers. An outside company is coming in to run this event.

Booster's Report:

There will be a Meet & Greet for the Boosters on Oct. 3 at the boathouse from 4:00 - 6:00.

An email went out to all parents regarding the new volunteer coordinator, and also that the Boosters are still in need of parents interested in PR.

Parents are needed to run the Junior's Auction in the spring. An email will go out to all of the parent regarding this after the novices have registered. The Boosters already have volunteers for the Banquet.

In an effort to get more information out to the parents, a decision has been made to include the Booster Meeting minutes with the EC minutes on the website. They are attached at the end of these minutes as Attachment A. This is where the BC minutes can be found in the future.

Communication's Report:

The BBQ & Pumpkin Race (Adults only) will be on Saturday, October 17. We have volunteers for set-up but are still looking for people to volunteer for clean-up and to bring fire pits.

We have the lettering to officially name / christen a couple of the new boats. The new Ohana will be named at the Junior Meet & Greet on Oct. 3, and the Carlson will be named at the Pumpkin Race on Oct. 17.

Old Business:

Wash U found a company to install their new dock. That should be completed mid-October.

A nominating committee has been formed for the 2016 EC elections. They will be reaching out to current EC members to see if they plan to stay on the EC and if they plan to stay in their current position, or be interested in a different position. They will also be reaching out to members to fill the open EC spots.

Club corporate issues were again discussed. If we would decide to move to straight 501c3, the club might have to disband the current corporation and reform it. This would be a lot of legal

work and the costs would add up. Keeping SLRC a Benevolent Association is not a detriment. The EC plans move forward with making some language changes to get the bylaws in line with the constitution.

New Business:

In regards to the issues that have been raised regarding the Booster Committee, a survey was sent out to the parents to get an idea of their thoughts on how the Booster Committee is doing, and their thoughts on term limits for Booster Committee members. The survey was sent to 90 people, and about 1/3 responded. The feedback was mostly positive. The EC began the debate on whether there needs to be a restructuring of Booster Committee positions. There is a 5 year term limit for any person serving on the EC. If a Booster Committee member has served on the EC, in their capacity as BC representative, and has reached the EC 5-yr term limit, then they can stay on the BC but must in a role that does not require them to be on the EC.

US Rowing Safety Guidelines suggest that each launch engine key has a safety lanyard attached. We are in the process of purchasing these. We will also be purchasing additional bow and stern lights for the boats since the days are getting much shorter.

The newly formed Fundraising Committee met on Sept. 5. They will reach out to parents and adults to in order to get more interested people involved in this committee. One idea that was brought up was Giving Tuesday, which is the 1st Tuesday in December.

Important Dates coming up :

Saturday – October 17 – Pumpkin Race

The next EC meeting will be on Sunday, October 25.

Attachment A

Recap of Booster Committee

September 2, 2015

Attendees: Peggy Francis, Tim Franck, Norm Roethlisberger, Christa Zihlmann, Dianne Duncan and Cathy Cooksey

- I. Welcome to Dianne Duncan – she will act as the volunteer coordinator.
- II. Registration Update – Norm
 - a. So far 47 girls and 24 boys have registered for the Fall season
 - b. Several people haven't included their insurance information which is a concern if they were to get hurt either at practice or at regattas Norm will email those people individually
 - c. Google docs is being used to show who has registered so Norm is able to follow up with the coaches. The Executive Committee Treasurer also has access to this document so all are aware of the complete juniors' roster and the treasurer is able to follow up with an dues' payments.
- III. Coach's Report
 - a. Actively recruiting novice rowers
 - b. They will start in about a week and a half
 - c. Targeting adding 20-25 for both genders
 - d. Racing starts with Head of Rock
 - e. Andrew is considering having a 4-person boat in the Charles (invitation only event)
 - f. Currently have mid-50s girl varsity rowers and low-30s boy varsity rowers
 - g. We added a new coach to the girl's team – Maggie Bowes
 - h. Bought 2 new 8s and 2 slightly used 8s. Hope to have 1 in Sept and the other in Oct
- IV. Fall events
 - a. 9/13 2-4 pm Introductory Practice at Boat House
 - b. 10/3 4-6 pm Meet & Greet at Boat House
 - i. Christa will secure the meat
 - ii. Will ask varsity parents to bring a side dish to share
 - c. We will name 3 of the new boats – 2 of which will be at the Juniors' Meet & Greet
 - d. Bake sale will be in the first part of December and Lisa Burnham is leading the effort
 - e. Boat House cleaning for adults will be fall and for juniors will be in the spring (before Camp Randall)
- V. Regatta needs
 - a. Rob Murphy & Christa are sorting through all equipment for regattas
 - b. They are specifically looking at the tarps and tents to see if we need any new pieces, parts, or new equipment
 - c. Think we will need a new griddle
 - d. Cathy will work on updating the responsibilities of chaperones' role
- VI. Volunteer and Booster Needs

- i. PR/Social Media – have had volunteers in the past - may want to revisit
- ii. Equipment – feel like this is covered
- iii. Auction chair
 - 1. 2 parents have offered to chair the auction – need to follow up
- iv. Banquet chair
 - 1. 1 parent is interested in chairing the banquet
- v. For the Booster Committee, we would like to have one more boy parent as we try to assure both genders are equally represented – 3 Girls’ parents and 3 Boys’ parents + Head Coach