

# St Louis Rowing Club

## Board of Directors Meeting Minutes: February 16, 2021 Conference Call

### Board Members:

#### *Present:*

- **Steve Dedrackson, President**
- **Kristy Heffernan, Vice President**
- **Deb Small, Treasurer**
- **Vicky Cochran, Secretary**
- **Julie Albsmeyer, Communications**
- **Carissa Foster, Captain**
- **Christina Lawrence, Safety**
- **Ruth Miller, Junior Program Coordinator**
- **Eric Yin, Junior Program Coordinator**

#### *Absent:*

*Quorum present?* Yes

*Others Present:*

### Proceedings:

Meeting called to order at **7:32pm**, by **Steve Dedrackson**

Approval of minutes

**Motion** for Approval of minutes from February 2, 2021 was made by Kristy, seconded by Carissa, (Passed 8-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain)

### Agenda

#### Old Business

- 1) Junior Retention
  - a) Varsity Girls are down and are unusual, normally 80% vs 65%
    - i) Should we research
      - (1) What do the girls have in common that have dropped
    - b) Novice Girls are doing great, congrats to Kerry
- 2) Adult Survey
  - a) Some early insights
    - i) A lot of interest in Sculling
      - (1) Need to have more opportunities
      - (2) Need to have more equipment
    - ii) Sweep interest is low until vaccine
    - iii) Group Workout
      - (1) Low interest to erg outside in the cold
      - (2) Some interest virtual for winter
      - (3) Getting back to a fitness level for rowing
        - (a) Maybe a couple of fitness week or two
    - iv) Most glad to hear from us

- 3) Dragon Boat Proposal
  - a) Steve sent a previous years agreement in separate email  
**Motion** to Approval supporting the Dragon Boat with similar agreement as in the past by Julie, seconded by Deb, (Passed 9-Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstain)
- 4) Novice Program update
  - a) Open House
    - i) Just a short intro session, no erg workout
    - ii) Concerns about website being down
    - iii) Concerns about size of gathering greater than 50 (51 Girls, <40 for Boys)
  - b) Pushing back on start to Feb 27th  
**Action: Ruth** to get final schedule for the novice program and notify board

### **New Business**

- 1) Website has been compromised
  - a) It is down till it can be moved to a more secured platform
  - b) Update access needs to be reviewed
  - c) Thank you to David Gray for helping out with the technical issues
- 2) Looks like some Junior Regattas are being planned for the Spring, details to follow
- 3) Winter Open meeting
  - a) Agreement was made for the March 2 meeting to be open to the membership
  - b) Julie to send communication to have member email Club Secretary (Vicky) for the meeting login information
- 2) Boat bay members to have access to Boathouse
  - a) Should we have a new membership level or fee?
  - b) Will include a No use of boats or boat equipment agreement
  - c) Cost? \$300
    - i) Use of Erg room and Locker rooms
    - ii) Social events
    - iii) Fundraising

**Action: Deb** to write a proposal for Boat Bay member access to Boathouse
- 3) Need BOD to review updated policy and procedures sent by Deb
- 4) Nominating Committee for new BOD members
  - a) Kristy to be Board member to the committee
  - b) Should we change membership requirements for BOD
    - i) Can we have one or more non members, but have a vested interested in Rowing?

**Action: Kristy** to update Policy regarding BOD qualifications and send to BOD for review
- 5) Need a parent to rerun for an addition 2-year run
  - a) Christina has volunteered

### **Around the Room-** Any updates from board members and/or their committees

- 1) Steve
  - a) N/A
- 2) Kristy
  - a) N/A
- 3) Deb
  - a) Personal Property Tax filed
  - b) Looked at Reserved
    - i) Presented the equipment reserve

- c) Looking to ensure we have a club communication on cancellations
  - (1) Ruth suggested adding club to communication with local tv/radio stations
- 4) Vicky
  - a) N/A
- 5) Julie
  - a) N/A
- 6) Carissa
  - a) N/A
- 7) Christina
- 8) N/A
- 9) Ruth
  - a) Tim is interested change Novice start to Feb 28
  - b) Novice
- 10) Eric
  - a) N/A

### **Adjournment**

**Motion** to Adjourn made by Julie, seconded by Ruth, (Passed Yes-9, No-0) meeting adjourned at 8:58pm