

WRRRA BOD meeting March 11, 2019

Attendance: Scott Labuda, Megan O'Donnell Patton, Anna Chanakas, Martha Rini, Kim Bache, Gretchen Shimola, Frank Campbell

Elana Baldwin will be absent

Guest: Kirk Lang

1. February Minutes
 - a. ***Kim moved that Special Meeting and February BOD minutes be approved as written. Martha seconded. All approved***
2. Scott will be meeting with bank to get Steph off the account. This should happen tomorrow.
 - a. Megan and Scott will coordinate a date to meet to add Megan to the account. Scott can currently sign checks.
 - b. Need to transfer Treasurer email to Megan, as well as quickbooks, etc.
 - c. Need to change passwords
 - d. Confirm whether Steph bought our own account, and how that is handled.
3. Funds: \$9595 in bank.
 - a. Insurance recently paid. All shells (33 shells, oars, trailer, launch). \$15,370. Annual premium.
 - b. Paid half of rack fees. (\$12,700). Next is August 1st.
4. Meet and Greet is this Wednesday, March 13, 2019 at Flat Iron, 2nd floor; 5:30.
 - a. Erik presentation at 6PM
 - b. Erik got same spread of food as last year.
 - i. 1st drink ticket free, pizza, etc.
 - c. Scott will introduce Erik and board folks that are there.
 - i. Wear name tags.
 - d. Video to show
5. Preliminary Budget
 - a. Up on website now.
 - i. Total budget numbers
 1. Mary Ann changed some things and came up with preliminary budget. Actually, the one that is up is based on notes that Anna made. We don't have the one from Mary Ann. There is \$15K in budget for audit. Martha indicated it should be adjusted down to \$7500, which should be more than enough.
 2. We will have a lease payment for office for Lexi in boathouse.
 3. What is plan for equipment / capital expenditures?
 4. Keep prices the same for 2019.
 - a. \$125 / head = assessment
6. Committee Cover Sheets
 - a. ***Equipment; Martha moved to accept; megan seconded; passed.***

- b. Sweeps; Megan moved to pass; Martha seconded motion; passed.**
- c. Sculling: Gretchen moved to pass; Martha seconded. Motion passed.**

- 7. SRL regattas; August 24, and June 22.
- 8. CRF update; Kirk
 - a. June 22 event -- Cuyahoga 50th anniversary of it catching on fire.
 - b. Event will last for 4 days. Saturday is the main day. Rivergate park is the hub of activity.
 - c. Saturday is main day
 - i. Day of SRL regatta
 - ii. After regatta, bands will start playing; 1-6 live bands
 - iii. Massive beer garden
 - iv. Cleveland Public Theater performances
 - v. Fall street will be shut down, to connect our park with canal basin park.
 - vi. Jim Ridge's Blazing paddles event -- location in flux.
 - 1. He wants it to happen at time of SRL regatta
 - 2. Now kayaking, canoeing and paddle boarding event.
 - vii. 5 member steering committee is working on events and scheduling
 - viii. City of Cleveland is involved
 - ix. Kirk clarified to Share the River at an earlier Cuyahoga 50 planning meeting that CRF was in charge of planning events for the celebration at River Gate Park and not WRRRA. Currently, Share the River is promoting their event but does not currently have approved water access at Cleveland 50 event location.
 - x. Boathouse lot will be closed
 - xi. Kirk: volunteers here will help beer garden, and proceeds will likely go to CRF.
 - xii. Mayor will give out awards for SRL regatta, so may need to come up with some awards
 - xiii. New York Times and Washington post are involved.
 - xiv. EPA founding directors will be here.
- 9. Director Reports:
 - a. Kim / equipment
 - i. SRL rigging party; March 24 and 25; 9-noon
 - 1. How send request for this to all SRL crews
 - 2. How send out? Lexi send out
 - 3. Kim provide text to Lexi
 - 4. May need to send out in waves: what are outgoing limits to gmail account?
 - b. Megan/ treasurer
 - c. Anna / Sweeps
 - i. LTR finalized

- ii. Lexi /Frank get registration open
 - iii. Coaches confirmed for LTR; low on coxswains.
 - iv. SRL; mornings, noon, afternoons
 - 1. Looking at sponsorships
 - 2. See if Lexi has contacted returning teams about pre-registration.
 - d. Scott / Outreach
 - i. Splitting committees into two; one adaptive; one veterans
 - ii. VIPERS will continue adaptive. Adding veterans adaptive to the VIPERS
 - iii. Put up signage in boathouse to increase awareness / support in boathouse
 - iv. Going to Philadelphia to regatta this year / largest adaptive regatta.
 - v. Want to have 2 veterans (SRL) teams this year. Will offset the cost of these teams. Want to subsidize the cost this year the same from the general fund, but subsidize even further from a 5K specific donation pot.
 - vi. Do we allow a veteran on another SRL team to also row on the VET team?
 - 1. Should discuss. If allows the boat to go out with all vets, then maybe?
 - vii. Have \$2500 from Freedom Rows specifically for coaching.
 - viii. Kirk working with Athletes without Limits (intellectual disabilities); trying to get them to HOTC. Want inclusion double in HOTC (one able-bodied, one Para).
 - e. Martha / Volunteering
 - i. 300 volunteer hours; all equipment maintenance so far.
 - ii. Need info on hours for board members.
 - iii. Would like to try to get volunteer refunds going on as the hours are fulfilled. Need to make sure that they have paid in the fee first.
 - f. Frank
 - i. Talk to Lexi about communications regarding SRL pre-registration.
 - ii. Plan for opening SRL pre-reg? Weekend of 23/24?
 - g. Gretchen:
 - i. Newsletter; Can get out as soon as possible.
 - 1. Needs content.
 - 2. SRL – pre-registration. Talk to Lexi
 - 3. Burning river event – Kirk’s corner.
10. Next CRF BOD meeting; Wed March 20th; 7PM. May be all executive session.
- a. Anna will try to attend. If someone else can make it let her know.
- 11. Frank Move to adjourn: 7:49 pm. All in favor**