



ANN ARBOR ROWING CLUB

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Board Meeting

Monday, September 14th, 2015

6:30-8:30 PM

REI Conference Room

Present: Martin Myers, Dave Olson, Paula Goforth, Julie Janusz, Lisa Psarouthakis, Nora Krinitsky and Tamara Stein

Absent: Blake McGowan, Sara Gronewald, Janet Goldberg

Meeting called to order at 6:38 pm

Minutes of the August 10th meeting were approved with the following change: Tamara Stein was not present so her name was moved from present to absent.

1. Directors report: Martin for Sara
 - Priscilla is our new coach. May need some guidance on river traffic rules. Martin will talk to Sara about finding her a mentor.
 - Moved to three coached and two un-coached practices in both the AM and PM. Discussion about offering a credit.

Julie moved to offer a credit of \$5.00 to those who request one. Dave seconded the motion. Motion passed with unanimous approval.

- LTR and LTS are done for the season.
 - HOTC selection nearly done. Looking for a fourth coxswain. Pursuing Colleen Macke.
2. Presidents Report-Martin
 - ADA approved ramp installation is delayed.
 - Weeds have returned somewhat and it is probably not worth the investment of \$6000.00 to retreat next year. Will bring up for discussion at a later date.
 - Looking for an erg venue for winter training. Send suggestions to Martin.

- Membership report-doing very well with our numbers. Ahead in many categories compared to last year. Programming is working with idea that technical program would last longer and not being an automatic pipeline into open. Would become more coaching intense.
- Programming Committee: Need new head coaches and a plan to deal with coaching exodus in the fall. Will look at slowing down the technical program pipeline and work with the sculling program to deal with the large numbers of scullers showing up.
- Weekend rowing: changes have been made after meeting with OOAR including off limit hours and launches for 4+'s. Discussion regarding offering coxing and launch credits on the weekend rows (HOTC practices). Participants are not asking for credits and it's usually HOTC rowers who are helping each other out.
- Cuyahoga off due to lack of participation, Frogtown, Marathon, and Speakmon are on.

3. Finance report: Blake

- We are in good shape.

End of year donation plea again this year. Not tied specifically to buying a boat, but we can offer incentives.

Julie moved to make a repeat gift to US Rowing at the same percentage of MCI profits as the gift made in 2014. Paula supported the motion. Motion passed with unanimous approval.

4. Stewardship: Dave

- Discussion about tracking stewardship and trying to get more people involved.

5. Social - Nora

- Working on end of year banquet venues.
- Halloween row is in the works.

6. Adaptive Program- Paula

- Working with the programming committee to find scheduled adaptive rowing sessions. Also discussed an adaptive erg session in the winter and maybe get a few old ergs to have them made into adaptive ergs.

Programming committee will discuss the coxing credits for adaptive and roll that out with the other changes next year.

Meeting adjourned 7:49 pm

Next meeting: Oct. 12th, 2015.

Approved 10-12-15