

June 14, 2016 Board Minutes

7:02 Open Meeting – 3 parents attended the open meeting. One parent asked if we can build a depository of job descriptions (ie Banquet) to pass from one parent to the next especially for some of the bigger jobs. This has been discussed and is on the agenda to do over the summer. Also the issue of end of year Varsity girl disagreements was discussed. The other two parents attending were interested in creating committee to work over the summer to assist on corporate sponsors to help with the new equipment funds. They were both pleased with the new travel policy of team travel and found it to be very positive experience. It was also asked if we can work with Shen school to get crew accomplishments added to their website.

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 pm at the Gowana Library.

Board Members present: Sean Obrien, Rob Partlow, Mary Hanratty, Kim Ferraioli, Scott McDonald, Nancy Paulsen, Paul Ennis, Deb Curto, Barb Moore, Joe Castaldo and Jon Slepski . Also present: Mike Gilbert and Dave Clayman.

- 1) Joe Castaldo passed out new conflict of interest agreements to all board members to sign and return for new term time period of everyone.
- 2) New board members Deb Curto, Barb Moore and Jon Slepski were welcomed.
- 3) Coaches Report:
 - a) Coach Sean shared recap of Pittsford race. The team travel aspect went very well. Everyone arrived on time, chaperones had positive reports. Thunderstorms delayed Saturday races but all races went on time for Sunday. We had 3 Gold, 6 Silver and 4 Bronze medals. Coaches were pleased with the results and efforts from all.
 - b) Nationals race in Philly was discussed next. Races were smaller due to venue and schedules of private schools etc. The location for next year is said to be New England, perhaps MA so the team will revisit for next year. The later race in season of this race was discussed, a decision for next spring will need to be made in Feb of next year.
 - c) Truck – Repairs were needed on the team truck. The starter went after Mod champs. The mechanic also noted that we need to watch the rear brakes, it's not driven often so estimated replacement will be next spring.
 - d) Coach Mike – Pittsford race was very positive and a valuable experience. For those that went to the semi and finals races most meaningful since it was head to head not timed races due to 2 lane course. The teamwork of the girls was very positive along with the team travel aspects.
 - e) Coach Dave – Mods season went well and they are collecting and discussing ideas for changes and improvements for next year. There were safesport issues during this season, a special second training was held for the mods. Recap given of Free week - we had 27 kids but only 2 days on the water due to winds so ergs were used. One kid was very small and was a safety issue of being in the boat due to oars position to his build. It was discussed of having a minimum height requirement added to our modified program for rowers distinction (Other program has 4'11") but not for coxswain. Dave will touchbase with other clubs if there is common standard and report back to us.
 - f) Coach Scott – Recap of Mod Champs. Great success for shen program. They captured 5 gold, 4 silver, and 5 bronze medals. Venue in Mechanicsville was good but the water was low which was challenging. Everyone rowed in Mod champs.
- 4) Equipment Update:
 - a) SGS transfer ppwk and titles is expected to come to us in next two weeks. They have final board meeting next week and all assets must transfer before 7/1. Coordination of insurance will be key as the equipment will be in use for summer program.
 - b) Inventory of all equipment will be done by end of June and report presented to board at July meeting.

- c) Maintenance – Mod equipment has 3 sets of Quad oars to be rebuilt. Refurbishing kits not yet available.
 - d) Launches – we have 8 in use and 2 not in use. Costs 2800/3000 to replace motors and we should start a plan to purchase one new motor per year to plan for replacement.
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- 5) Summer Program – To date we have paid numbers of 16 Tier 1, 8 Tier 2 and 8 mods partial pmts. Kim and Nancy have both received many inquiries regarding select mods being invited to join Youth summer regatta that has caused much confusion. Matter was discussed and mod parent will receive updated details from coaches this week to clarify.
 - 6) Fall Program dates were handed out for Sean for regatta plan and pricing will need to be confirmed at July meeting once the hotel and bus information is confirmed so we can make sure it's accurate and updated correctly.
 - 7) Combination of registration/email/Website into one service was discussed as follow up from last meeting. This would automate the team greatly and also reduce some of the "one off" situations of not paying on time and having to chase down tuition payments. For first time parents, it was suggested as possibly having them work manually with registrar to keep the personal touch. Jason was given 3 sites to research (What Nisky uses, Saratoga uses and generic sports site)and will make a recommendation of which would be best to fit our needs.
 - 8) Board Seat discussion and division of roles were discussed.
 - 9) Chaperone role for travel was discussed and identified as area for further clarification. Insurance coverage, signed waivers and clarifications of roles will be developed. Jon will research information and we will put on July agenda for next steps.
 - 10) Annual meeting recap. The board needs to do a better job at sharing information and plans at this meeting. The lack of actual agenda that was discussed was deemed inappropriate even if there was a small group that attended.

Meeting adjourned at 10:32 pm.