

**Buzzards Bay Rowing Club Board/General Meeting Minutes
January 14, 2015**

Meeting was called to order at 6:07 PM by president, Heidi Hacking, at the Sail Loft.

Present: Nancy Barrett, Barbara Belanger, Jodi Duval, Heidi Hacking, Ray Kelley, Louise Lecomte, Leslie Therrien, Barbara Traban. **Absent:** Nancy Anderson

Minutes from the November meeting were read and accepted.

Treasurer, Barbara T, distributed the latest financial report, which with a few bills outstanding, showed an adjusted cash balance of \$30,847.09. She also announced that the Club membership is at 150 and perhaps, 153. Report was accepted.

Task Force/Committee Reports

Boat Maintenance. One boat has been taken out and the rotation plan for use of the two remaining boats is in place and appears to have no problems.

Computer. Heidi will be looking at the purchase of a computer to house the Club's business.

Annual Meeting. Planning for the Annual Meeting will begin next Wednesday, the 21st, at 6 PM at the Sail Loft. Meanwhile suggestions for gifts are welcome.

Upcoming Races/ Events

After Holiday Party. Too much going on for this year. Maybe next year.

Snow Row. Notification for the Snow Row went out but so far no one has indicated an interest. WCR has requested the Club to lend them trailers as they have three teams going and not enough trailers. Consensus was not to lend out trailers due to the liability factor and also not to commit when our club may still participate.

Old Business

Reimbursement. None needed

Thank-yous, etc. Send get well cards to Dutchy, Guido

Maintenance:

Oars. Oars from Phoenix are in Sail Loft and being painted. Sue will check with Crocker re tape which keeps unraveling and also for information re blades

Steering Oars. They will be removed and worked on on a rotating basis as they are interchangeable

Check List. Was not done in December. Barbara B will do it for January.

New Business

Getting Organized. Still is an on going process which will accelerate with the new computer

Water Bill. A huge water bill of over \$2000 was received by Gail Isaksen due to a running toilet. BBRC will pay it.

WCR. Whaling city Rowing will host a Whaleboat skills challenge May 16 with a picnic lunch at Fort Taber. Are we interested? Need more details.

Maritime Heritage Festival. This September 19th event is very close to our WWF races. Heidi not sure if they confused our club with WCR.

Low Tide Yacht Club. They are looking to put together a Lite the Bay event July 25.

Lighting for dock. No action taken as yet.

Painting. Jodi and Heidi will go over photos with Ryan McFee

Reminders

Boatsteerers. Two new boatsteerers have been certified; Debbie Osuch and Danielle De Burgo There are a couple more who are still training.

Insurance. Ok until May

Steve Reale. Final income for 2014 is needed before Steve can do whatever. Ray will keep abreast of the situation.

Seats. Arthur Pomfret still making seats for members.

Using Subs. Process for contacting subs seems to be working. Will revisit in the spring when more people are rowing.

ROWNortheast (ROW) has made contact with Heidi and she will attend a meeting in Gloucester

Scholarship. Another thank you for donation of received. Bishop Stang a sent request for the donation memberships for their annual fundraiser.

Schedule Update. With one boat out, some teams are on a rotating schedule which is working smoothly.

Next Meeting Feb 11

Meeting adjourned 7:05 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Belanger, Secretary