

Buzzards Bay Rowing Club Board/General Meeting July 9, 2013

Meeting was called to order by President, Heidi Hacking at 7:02

Present: Nancy Anderson, Nancy Barrett, Barbara Belanger, Jodi Duval, Heidi Hacking, Ray Kelley, Louise LeComte, Leslie, Therrien, Barbara Traban. **Member:** Michael Suominen

Minutes From the June 4th meeting were read and with the addition of Coast Guard "Auxiliary" to "Coast Guard" , **were accepted.**

Treasurer, Barbara Traban, reported membership in the Club is at 133. A couple of members still need to fill out membership forms and sign waivers. The Open Water Challenge saw a profit of \$601.00, two hundred dollars of which will be donated to Seamen's Bethel. The only **major expense** is the replacements of two steering oars. A question was raised as to whether payment would be deducted from the boat account. It will not be. Jodi and Barbara T have not yet gone to the bank re the two line signature checks required for amounts over \$500. Sue Cunningham, former Vice President, needs to sign off and be replaced by Jodi. The **estimated balance** of cash on hand is \$22,000. The report was **accepted.**

Task force /Committee Report

Working Water Front. A planning meeting will be held Tues, July, 16th at 7 PM

Upcoming Races/Events

Maritime Day July 13. Not being sure of what's expected of the Club as far as participation goes, it was decided not to become involved.

Yard Sale. The yard sale is to be held on the property Sue Cunningham across from the High School on Main Street. The proposed rescheduling date is July 27 from 9-12 Am The event is contingent on being able to recruit an adequate number of volunteers.

Old Business

Reimbursements. None needed. Checks were cut for Mr Amoruso and Roger Choquette for towing to Waterfire. Bill Anderson has donated his to the boat fund.

Thanks/ Get well, etc. None

Maintenance

Sail Loft. The first floor of the sail Loft is no longer occupied.

Boats. Boats will be taken out in October for painting. At that time they will be examined to see if any repairs are needed.

Oars. Slippage of the buttons has been a problem causing the oars to vary in length and position. The steering oar also needs adjustment. Jodi will make the adjustment with input from Michael S.

Monthly Maintenance Check List. Jodi will work with the July volunteer team to go over the procedure and get the process underway

New Business

Lighthouse Regatta. The Light the Bay event has been given a new object for support as the original lighthouse is up for auction. In its stead, the Palmers Island Lighthouse will be the recipient. Plans for the event have not been finalized but it will take place on August 17, combining races between sailboats and others. The course will be 1 1/2 miles and will be based on the combined time of each individual team of sail and "other". It is open to all boats. It is possible to have dinner without racing for a cost of \$10.00. The sponsor is the Low Tide Yacht Club who is also planning a clam boil Heidi will send out emails re these two events.

Scholarships. All scholarships have been awarded and thank –you notes have been received from recipients.

IRS. Barbara T has spoken briefly with Steve Reale and will do so again.

Using Subs. Nancy Barrett has not made any progress but is planning to do so via e-mail

2013 Schedule. The schedule is in force and is working out well.

Reminders

Boatsteering Classes. They will resume as the need dictates.

Neighborhood News. Possibly the yard sale.

Next Meeting August 6, at 7PM.

Other

Support Request. A request has once again been voiced to support the Wounded Warriors. There is no objection to this but the party who made the request needs to find out exactly what kind of support is appropriate and to present a plan as to how go about lending a hand. This was recently done by John Miller who requested the Club's support in working with a similar group connected to the Wounded Warriors.

Bulletin Board. A comment has been received that some items are out of date. Anyone is free to access the board to remove outdated material and add items that are in the interest of the Club.

Paint request. MaryAnn walker has requested permission to spray paint the lower section of the gate leading to the dock to increase its visibility as someone has recently gotten a foot caught under it. Leslie will contact boatyard as a courtesy and to seek their approval.

Hurricane contingency Plan. Heidi will make the call to take out boats or to move, or to leave them intact depending on the situation as it develops. The thinking is a "rather be safe than sorry" approach

Any action will be dictated by the accessibility of those involved with whatever is decided. (towing, moving, etc.)

OWC. Next year a chase boat is to be positioned near the boats which are lined up to race. The actual start will remain from the dock using the horn as well as a flag. A horn will denote a 5 minute warning to the boats prior to the start.

Meeting adjourned 8:15

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Belanger