

**Buzzards Bay Rowing Club Board/General Meeting Minutes
March 3, 2015**

Meeting was called to order at 6:32 PM by President Heidi Hacking at the Sail Loft.

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

Minutes were read and accepted.

Treasurer, Barbara T reported an adjusted/estimate cash balance of \$26,894.88. Still outstanding are the prisms, and brunch bills. It was decided to finish up the present check book and then begin using the dual signature checks. Membership is presently at 156. Financial report was accepted.

TaskForce/Committee Reports

Boat Maintenance. All oars are out of all the boats and are undergoing repair/painting. Boats are still not accessible due to harbor ice.

Computer. Heidi is setting up the new computer and expects arrival of the Karma hot spot materials shortly. Flash drives will be purchased at Staples. If the old copiers are not compatible with the new computer, a new one will be purchased.

Open Water Challenge. Date is June 6. Chair, Nancy A, is meeting with The New Bedford Park Commission.

Heidi will be away on the date of the event but VP, Jodi, will act in her stead organizing the sprint events and awards.

By Laws. Changes have been sent out to the membership. There was only one comment and it was positive.

Upcoming Races/Events

Annual Meeting. Plans for the event are on track. Next meeting will be March 18 at 6 PM.

Old Business.

Painting. Sue Cunningham will check on its progress.

Reimbursements. None

Cards. None at this time.

Maintenance

Oars. Jodi has priced the blades which are manufactured in Australia. They are approximately \$208 each. BBRC will order a set of 5. Shafts are made in US. The tape used on the oars is Australia electrical tape. Jodi will seek out a local source. Ray suggested Concord Electric in

New Bedford. Oars are in so-so shape but will be used and repaired until no longer usable before replacing.

New Business

IRS. Ray will contact Steve Reale and send a gift card for \$50 from the BBRC for his help.

ROWNortheast. Heidi provided minutes of their meeting. They are still organizing and as of yet there is no clear indications of how we could be involved. Heidi will keep in touch.

Other.

Ergs. Barbara B announced that because of the extended hiatus from rowing due to harbor ice, some members have shown an interest in honing their rowing skills by using the ergs. Also, as an incentive, there is interest in forming a team to participate in the Concept2 World Wide challenge which runs from March 15 to April 15. Barbara is willing to be available for those who want to participate in the challenge, or just use the erg, on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday mornings from 8AM to 10 AM, subject to vary once on the water rowing is resumed. Although not necessary, she suggests that participants find a partner as rowing side by side is more fun. There are many variations for work outs from intervals to pyramids that make it interesting. Sessions run about 30 -40 minutes including warm up and cool downs. (or whatever)

Next meeting is April 1 at 6:30

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Belanger