

## **Buzzards Bay Rowing Club Board Meeting October 4, 2011**

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

Meeting began at 6:22 at the Sail Loft.

**Minutes** were read and **accepted**.

Barbara Traban presented the **financial report** for review. She reported one new member has signed up. Cash on hand stands at \$13,894 not including income and bills related to the Working Waterfront Races. The treasurer's report was **accepted**.

### **TaskForce/Committee Reports**

**Cook Book.** Jodi reported that 6-7 books were sold at the WWF Festival

**Catwalk.** Comments were mostly positive but there is room for improvement especially in regard to noise level and crowding. Eighty people attended the event. Heidi and Jodi will take it up with the manager/owner.

**Halloween Hunt.** Heidi has put out an e-mail. So far, only a handful have signed up.

**Plymouth Race.** Two teams have shown an interest and if no other team applies for a boat, they are good to go.

**Turkey Row.** This event will take place on Thanksgiving Day.

**Holiday Hope.** It is in the works and Jodi will be choosing a medium sized family as she did last year.

**Cookie Swap.** The December event was successful last year and will be repeated again this year. It will take place sometime around the Holiday Hope gift wrapping session.

**New Years Day Row/After Holiday Holiday Party.** These events will be discussed later after talking to Gail Isaksen regarding times and venue.

### **Old Business**

**Reimbursements.** MJ Mc Manus towed to Gloucester and the Slocum River Races. She also needs to be reimbursed for boat cleaning.

**Thank-you.** Jodi and Barbara B will share writing notes for the WWF event.

**Oars.** Some of the oars are in need of repair and Jackie Duval will look them over and explore the possibility of repairing them rather than having to purchase new blades.

There are 7 pink sleeves on hand for replacements. Yellow buttons need to be ordered.

**Boat covers.** Louise will call Jody Smith about the third cover.

**Boat damage.** It has been discovered that the *Kanawha* has a rather large dent midship which appears to have been caused by a run-in of some kind. This damage was not reported when it occurred and there may have been an attempt to patch it. Laura Anderson, who is in charge of boat maintenance, will be notified of the damage and will be asked to contact Fairhaven Shipyard to set up an appointment for evaluation and repair.

**Trailer.** John Mc Coy was contacted regarding the trailer he has agreed to sell to the Club. It has been found not to be road-ready and still needs work. The Club is recommending that the adjustments be made by Bibeau's and, if the price of the repairs exceed the purchase price, that the price be re-negotiated with John. Option B will be to look elsewhere for a third trailer.

**Dock.** Jodi has purchased fenders for the end of the dock and they have been installed. Next step, fenders for the side of the dock. Eye hooks have been installed on the upright posts of the walkway with the intention of adding ropes as a safety precaution. A recommendation was made to spray paint the step-up leading to the dock. Jodi will take care of it.

### New Business

**Free membership.** This item will be taken up at the next meeting. Heidi will send out an agenda so that interested parties may state their opinion before the decision is made retain the status quo or to make a change in the policy.

**Race Deadlines.** Because of our boat lottery system, it has not always been possible for teams to register for away races and benefit from the early bird lower registration fees. Nancy B has agreed to find out dates of the races in which BBRC members commonly participate and to advise Heidi of the early registration cut off dates so that ours can be adjusted in accordingly.

### Other.

**Scheduling.** The Dragons no longer have their **9 AM Saturday** time slot since they have not been using it on a regular basis and two other teams have shown and interested in that time.

With limited daylight hours approaching, **Lorelei** will be going back to Sat AM. **Squareheads** are changing from Tuesday 8AM to Monday 8AM.

It is possible that a week-day AM open row could be added as the number of retirees and rowers with AM availability is increasing.

**Calendar.** Heidi would like to have the calendar completed in November. More people pictures have been suggested.

**Next meeting** will be November 9 at 6 PM

Respectfully submitted

Barbara Belanger