

## **Buzzards Bay Rowing Club Board/ General Meeting Minutes October 8, 2013**

**Meeting** was called to order by President Heidi Hacking at 7:10 PM

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

**Minutes** of the September meeting and were **accepted** with the corrected spelling of Ray Kelley's name.

**Treasurer's Report.** Treasurer, Barbara T announced the addition of two new members bringing the Club's total membership to 142. The cash balance was reported to be \$18,441.50 less the \$6,073 designated for the boat account and outstanding checks. Barbara had questions regarding the money for the LTYC /BBRC lighthouse race. Jodi will be consulted upon her return to help. Barbara has been to Rockland Trust regarding the printing of new checks which will accommodate the necessary dual signatures when amounts over \$500 are to be paid out. Cost of the new checks is \$120.00. Ray claimed that he could get them at a lower cost. A meeting between Barbara and Steve Reale has been arranged re tax matters.

**The report was accepted.**

### **Task Force /Committee Reports**

**Working Waterfront Update.** The races were a huge success. The new venue, at Steamship Pier, was a welcome change for a staging area. The races were totally visible and the festival tents were right there which brought us closer to being part of the festival. There were a record number of spectators. It's possible we will be using that location again next year. It was reported that \$1000 + worth of gear was sold over the two days. The weather was perfect and there were over 100 people who took advantage of the "bend an oar" segment to try out rowing. A few have expressed interest in joining the Club. Question; was booklet ad money included in the net income for the event? Barbara was given the remainder of the money at the meeting. If any questions arise she can consult Jodi. Dublin's after race party was a rousing success, as once again, a good time was had by all.

### **Upcoming Events/ Races**

**Halloween Hunt.** The event will take place on Saturday. October 26.

### **Old Business**

**Reimbursements.** Checks were cut for MJ McManus and Jayne Morrison for away races. Jayne has donated hers back to the Club.

**Cards/ Thanks.** A condolence card was sent to Anne Porter. Barbara T requested a wedding card be sent to Allison Depuis. A card will also be sent to Freida Claes who is moving and, also a thank you to the Tabor group who helped clean the boats.

**Maintenance.** Boat check- up will be restarted. Oars have been adjusted but steering oars still may need some tweaking.

### **New Business**

**Using Subs.** Nancy B has been unable to pursue her plan due to computer glitches. Ray has offered to work with her.

**Donation Request.** Robin Branco has requested a donation for her charity fund raiser, “Connecting for a Change”. But, since neither she, nor the charity, meets the criteria for individual donations, an alternate was suggested. We will honor a raffle item which will grant a person and five of their friends a free whaleboat trial row. Conditions and times will be determined by the Club’s boatsteerer and the member schedule.

**Insurance.** Heidi presented the renewal of the Club’s insurance which elicited a number of questions regarding who is covered/responsible for a boat/trailer mishap. Ray volunteered to visit the agency and find out exactly what coverage we have.

**Winter Rows.** A idea has surfaced in regard to having a late afternoon open row during the fall/winter months since some teams will be giving up their evening rows due to daylight savings time. A suggested time was for 3 PM for those who are available and would like to go out. Heidi will send out an email to see if it elicits any interest.

**Reminders.**

**Boatsteerers Classes.** Deb Jenkins has shown an interest.

**Schedule Update.** There may be some upcoming time changes due the winter season.

**Next meeting** Wednesday, November 6, at 6 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Belanger Secretary