

THE UNIVERSITY BARGE CLUB

Meeting of the Executive Committee

Nov. 1, 2011

The Executive Committee of the University Barge Club met on Tuesday, November 1, 2011 in the Lilacs. The meeting was attended by Howard Greenberg, President, John Basinski, Chris Blackwall, Mitch Budman, Bart Isdaner, Brian McLelland, Ludlow Miller, Alan Robinson, Dixon Shay, Rick Wegryn, Jen Wesson and John Curtain. President Greenberg chaired the meeting. Guests: Ellen Carver representing the HOSR.

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1. Call to Order.		Howard called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.	The minutes of the Oct. 4 meeting were reviewed and approved.	October 4 minutes were approved.
3. HOSR INFORMATION	<p>Fresh off a remarkable weekend of racing, Ellen Carver delivered a well-organized and informative summary of the state of the HOSR.</p> <p>The HOSR is now a separate 501(c)(3) non-profit organization with Board members from all along boathouse row. The Board, its President, Lisa Dunlop, and committed volunteers work year-round not only to prepare for the races, but also to market and improve the Regatta. The Regatta Director is now a three person job shared by Christopher, Mitch and Ellen.</p> <p>Key partnerships have been formed with Greater Philadelphia Tourism Marketing Association, NBC 10, the</p>	The EC was extremely grateful to HOSR Board and volunteers for a truly outstanding Regatta under unprecedented conditions.

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	<p>Greater Philadelphia Hotel Association, Give Philly, Campus Philly, Dear Philly and the City of Philadelphia. The Regatta has also made enormous strides in the use of social media which was crucial in this year's weather emergency.</p> <p>The Regatta is now the largest on the Schuylkill River with over 5800 competitors and 1323 boats competing. Registration is up over 22% from 2010 including appearances from such crews as the University of Virginia and Georgetown, as well as from the UK, Canada and Australia.</p> <p>Howard expressed his heartfelt appreciation for truly remarkable efforts of the Regatta volunteers for their year-round efforts, but especially this year for their outstanding, timely and courageous response to the weather crisis on Saturday. Christopher will meet with the Headmaster of Episcopal Academy to express appreciation to students James Konopka and Nick Mead for their heroic efforts in assisting a capsized 2x from St. Joe's Prep during the Regatta.</p>	
<p>4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT</p>	<p>Howard read the Coxswain's Report (see below) which was submitted in writing.</p>	<p>The EC accepted the report.</p>
<p>5. TREASURER'S REPORT</p>	<p>Dixon reviewed the P/L for the month. The finances are in good shape and within budget. Overall we are slightly down on income, but also down on expense. Dixon gave special thanks to Ludlow for his assistance in</p>	<p>The EC accepted the Treasurer's report. Dixon will circulate the 2012 proposed budget to the membership with an explanatory note prior to</p>

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	<p>bringing almost all of the outstanding dues current.</p> <p>Mitch led a discussion of boat storage fees. It was agreed that our records would be reviewed and updated including the status of the 4 boats that were donated to 1871 Foundation.</p> <p>Dixon distributed the proposed 2012 budget with the expectation that it will be discussed at the December Executive Committee meeting. In the next few days, the proposed budget will be circulated to entire membership with an explanatory note from Dixon eliciting input prior to the meeting.</p>	<p>the December meeting. Boat storage fees and status of stored boats will be reviewed.</p>
<p>6. REPORT OF THE COXSWAIN</p>	<p>Bruce's written report stated that the new boat is delivered.</p> <p>Adjustments need to be made to the rack and bay door to avoid the bay door and fin colliding. When these corrections are made, the new boat will be stored in the Club Bay above the doubles. Meanwhile, it is rigged as a 4- and can be rowed out of the Schools Bay in the meantime.</p> <p>Launches returned from the HOSR relatively unscathed but very dirty. Cleaning will happen over the next several days.</p>	<p>The EC accepted the Coxswain's Report</p>
<p>7. HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT</p>	<p>Brian discussed the response he received from the membership concerning locker requests. He has also received a report from Bruce concerning the number of open lockers due to the changes in</p>	<p>The EC accepted the Committee's report. A motion was passed to refinish the wooden flooring with a tongue oil finish beginning on or</p>

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	<p>membership status. Depending upon the resolution of the status of several members, there may be enough open lockers to meet the current demand. As future demand for locker space increases, the implementation of a 100 mile row and an Active membership (as opposed to Lilacs) requirement for use of a locker was discussed. All agreed that active coxswains should be afforded locker space whether Lilacs or Active members.</p> <p>Brian discussed an estimate he has obtained to refinish the entire wooden flooring including the replacement of the area under the boiler in the men's locker room with matching flooring, and the replacement of the rubber flooring outside the men's shower. Discussion was had concerning using a tongue oil finish versus a polyurethane finish. A motion was made, seconded and passed to proceed with the tongue oil finish. The work will be done on or about December 1st and will cost approximately \$9,000.</p> <p>Plans are proceeding with the planned renovation of the women's locker room in the January/February time frame. The first phase will include installation of the three showers and installation of the new lockers and island. The second phase will include the vanities in the bathroom and main room, and the cubbies above the lockers. Brian, Dixon and Kelly Ennis will finalize plans.</p>	<p>about December 1, 2011. Brian will assign new locker to new members based upon seniority.</p>
<p>8. LILACS REPORT</p>	<p>It was agreed as previously voted to</p>	<p>The EC accepted the</p>

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	<p>include a provision in all Lilacs rental agreements that the tenant is responsible for all alarm fees. The standard contract requires that the tenant vacate by 10:30. The alarm can be set by Bruce to go off as late as midnight; beyond that it must be set by Alex Cook.</p> <p>Discussion was had concerning the use of Evite for upcoming UBC social events including the New Years Eve row and Holiday Party.</p>	<p>Lilacs report.</p>
<p>9. REPORT OF THE ELECTIVE COMMITTEE</p>	<p>The Elective Committee submitted a detailed chart comparing the membership status of the current 241 members on November 1st as compared with the 240 members on April 30, 2011. There have 22 changes in status of existing members. While overall membership has increased, the number of Active members has decreased from 167 to 159. The number of non-resident members has increase by one from 38 to 39. The number of Lilacs members has increased from 35 to 43; the bylaws limit Lilacs members to 50 members. Discussion was had as to whether the current membership trends align with the Strategic Plan. Many thanks to Jen for putting the chart together.</p> <p>The Elective Committee noted that ten Associate members from CHA/SS were admitted for the Fall under the Coxswain's supervision. Names of Associate Members are posted next to the Log.</p> <p>On the Elective Committee's suggestion, Christopher made a</p>	<p>The EC accepted the Committee's report.</p>

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	<p>motion to elect Jay Hill, who recently resigned as an Active member, as an honorary Lilacs member. The motion was discussed but did not receive a second and was therefore dropped.</p>	
<p>10. SN INFORMATION</p>	<p>No Report</p>	
<p>11. 1871 FOUNDATION INFORMATION</p>	<p>John submitted the schematic of the new dock that has been approved by the Schuylkill Navy with a length of 96 feet, thereby extending the current dock by 7 feet on each side. The plan was presented to Malta and Bachelors for approval. Malta approved and Bachelors did not, primarily for the stated reason that the increased length would make it more difficult to maneuver and store launches. Discussion was had concerning the proposed length of the dock. A motion was made and seconded to maintain the new dock at the current length of 82 feet.</p> <p>John will revisit the bids to obtain quotes based upon the 82 foot length. In addition, the bid provided by Custom Float Services included the complimentary provision of a new composite decking material manufactured by Royal Group. The consensus was that this decking material was untested and too risky to utilize at this point.</p> <p>In addition, the bids submitted by Sullivan and HP Construction did not include the cost to remove and dispose of the old dock and apron. There was support for Dixon's</p>	<p>John will obtain revised bids for the dock at the 82 foot length for presentation and review by the Executive Committee, possibly before the December meeting.</p>

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	<p>suggestion that this may be an excellent opportunity for Bargees to volunteer their labor in order to save significant costs for the Foundation. There will be more discussion of this at the December meeting.</p> <p>The Club has committed to a 2 year bridge loan to the Foundation for up to 50% of cost of the dock. Once the revised bids are obtained, John will submit them, along with a revised schematic to be drafted by Jay, to the EC for discussion and approval of the bridge loan possibly by telephone before the December meeting.</p>	
12. OLD BUSINESS:	None	
13. NEW BUSINESS	None	

ADJOURNMENT: Howard adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard E. Wegryn, Jr., Secretary