

# THE UNIVERSITY BARGE CLUB

## Meeting of the Executive Committee

May 3, 2011

The Executive Committee of the University Barge Club met on Tuesday, May 3, 2011 in the Lilacs Room of the Barge Club. The meeting was attended by Howard Greenberg, President, John Basinski, Chris Blackwall, Mitch Budman, Bart Isdaner, Ludlow Miller, Matt Morano, Jay Pattison, John Reiss, Bill van der Linde, Rick Wegryn and Jen Wesson. President Greenberg chaired the meeting and John Reiss, Assistant Secretary, recorded the minutes. Guests: Margaret Meigs, representing the SN, John Curtin, Captain.

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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 April 5, 2011 meeting were approved.
3. PRESIDENT'S REPORT	<p>Howard announced the following appointments:</p> <p>Coxswain, Bruce LaLonde Lilacs Warden, Matt Marino Assistant Lilacs Warden, Alan Robinson Captain, John Curtin Finance Committee Chair, Bart Isdaner House Committee Chair, Brian McLelland HOSR Representative, Chris Blackwall SN Representative, Margaret Meigs UBC 1871 Representative, John Basinski Assistant Secretary, John Reiss</p> <p>Howard stated each officer should be responsible for his or her own tasks, and should only contact him or Bart in the event additional assistance is needed. Any issues that arise should be referred to the appropriate responsible person. He asked that people responsible for each activity give him a brief report every two weeks.</p> <p>Howard's goals for the year are to encourage club social events, the development of the Women's 8 and getting the computer log working better. He asked John Curtin to pursue the latter with Marc Denker.</p>	

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	<p>The discussion of the strategic plan was led by Bart and Greg Heller who stated that transparency seemed to be going well, and the job descriptions needed to be completed. The water heater was done, the women's locker room underway with construction expected in the Winter and the kitchen would be next. The financial goals were to generate revenue to cover boathouse operations, new boats and to contribute to the UBC 1871.</p> <p>Howard asked which past Presidents had opted not to be on the EC, and John Reiss reported only Al Doering, though he had to contact George Harding.</p> <p>Howard discussed the Coxswain's job description changes, which have been agreed to by Bruce:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Supervision of tenants, the boathouse facility and locker assignments (except the exercise equipment which stays under the Coxswain) shall be the responsibility of the House Committee.</li> <li>2. Supervision of Associate Members shall be under the Elective Committee, and the Coxswain will propose such members and the Committee will ensure an expedited process.</li> <li>3. Supervision of race reservations, regatta entries and daily boating of the 8s and 4+ remains with the Captain. However, allocation of boats for races remains with the Coxswain.</li> </ol> <p>Howard noted that he and Bruce were discussing formulating a lease for the space Bruce uses at the Boathouse, with a July 1 effective date, which he expected would be ready for presentation to the June EC meeting.</p>	<p>The EC agreed to the changes to the Coxswain's job description presented by Howard.</p>
<p>4. TREASURER'S REPORT</p>	<p>The finances are in good shape.</p> <p>In Dixon's absence, Howard presented the Treasurer's report. He thanked Dixon for arranging for the upgrading of the ergs at a significant cost saving. The replacement ergs cost \$400 each, and Bruce is selling the old ones at \$600 each.</p> <p>The Women's locker room plans have been circulated, there has been good feedback, and</p>	<p>The EC accepted the Treasurer's report</p>

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	<p>the next step is to obtain bids.</p> <p>Bruce, Jeff and Brian are working on various flooring repair and replacement projects.</p> <p>The weight room light is about to be fixed.</p> <p>Many thanks to Jeff Walker for building the enclosure round the new water heater delivery pipes etc.</p>	
<p>5. REPORT OF THE COXSWAIN</p>	<p>Bruce reported he planned to sell the Bo Lea and fit in another quad/4 by reorganizing the space.</p> <p>The ergs have all been replaced.</p> <p>Please ensure the doors, bay doors and windows are closed and the lights are out when leaving the house.</p> <p>Bruce stated that 2 speed coaches and on radio controlled speed coach were missing, the seat pads from Springside frequently are spread all over the house and something needs to be done.</p> <p>Margaret noted that a case of beer had been stolen.</p> <p>There was discussion of methods to apprehend any perpetrators, and to lock up the equipment.</p>	
<p>6. HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT</p>	<p>A plan to certify users of the defibrillators was announced – and Howard noted that persons with CPR certification were protected under the Good Samaritan statute if anything went wrong.</p> <p>UBC was asked to share the \$439 cost of the defibrillator with the Schools.</p>	<p>The EC approved sharing the cost of the defibrillator.</p>
<p>7. LILACS REPORT</p>	<p>Matt reported we are moving into the heavy rental season. He had lists of bookings for anyone who wants it, and will have it available on the internet shortly.</p> <p>The 100 mile row dinner will be on Saturday, June 18, after the SN Regatta.</p>	

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	<p>UBC/UBC will be on July 30 with the potential for participation in the Quaker City Regatta.</p>	
<p>8. REPORT OF THE ELECTIVE COMMITTEE</p>	<p>Jen provided a breakdown of membership composition to use as a baseline in moving forward with strategic plan goal of netting 5 new active members/year. Membership currently stands at 221 dues paying members.</p> <p>Presented Elective Committee recommendation for waiving Lilacs initiation fee for Ansbach and Kruse. Treasurer shall be notified to reclassify from Associate to Lilacs membership class.</p> <p>Reviewed revised application procedures, noting that the amended process would apply to all membership levels. As designed, these are procedural changes, not policy changes, therefore no effect to the by-laws. Guidelines being updated and to be presented for approval at next EC meeting.</p> <p>Currently three active candidates finishing election process and one candidate application submitted.</p> <p>Committee has agreed to alternate evening and morning meetings in order to accommodate more in-depth discussion regarding goals and priorities for the upcoming year.</p>	<p>The EC accepted the Committee's report.</p> <p>The EC voted to allow the two associate members to transfer to Lilacs membership.</p>
<p>9. CAPTAIN'S REPORT</p>	<p>Will get new computer software for the logbook by the end of this year.</p> <p>8 Rowing is a little lower than last year, perhaps in part because the Henley boat is not rowing with the group.</p> <p>Needs another cox.</p>	
<p>10. TTEHOSR INFORMATION</p>	<p>Chris noted that Deidre was again running a HOSR breakfast for Volunteers on June 11. The President of Philadelphia City Rowing, Libby Peters, is coming.</p> <p>Sponsorship and marketing activities are in</p>	

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	<p>full swing.</p> <p>There are now three Executive Directors, each with a designated topic area. Chris is hoping to get rowers to act as marshals to organize the boats below the start and above Strawberry.</p>	
<p>11. SN INFORMATION</p>	<p>Drivers are needed for the Stotesbury on May 19 – matt and Chris volunteered.</p> <p>Parks and Recreation obtained a \$750,000 grant to improve Kelly Drive.</p> <p>Dredging is unlikely until the government spending situation improves.</p>	
<p>12. 1871 FOUNDATION INFORMATION</p>	<p>John Basinski requested help in finding a non-member Trustee with grant writing skills.</p> <p>The Foundation is starting the silent portion of a capital campaign.</p> <p>The Foundation is identifying items that need immediate attention such as the roof and the dock. The roof should be able to be constructed of long-lasting material. The Foundation also is investigating materials for the dock, and its possible donation. The goal is to minimize future maintenance.</p>	
<p>13. OLD BUSINESS:</p>	<p>None</p>	
<p>14. NEW BUSINESS</p>	<p>None</p>	

ADJOURNMENT: President Greenberg adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Rick Wegryn, Secretary