

THE UNIVERSITY BARGE CLUB

Meeting of the Executive Committee

Sept 13, 2011

The Executive Committee of the University Barge Club met on Tuesday, September 13, 2011 in the Lilacs. The meeting was attended by Howard Greenberg, President, John Basinski, Chris Blackwall, Bart Isdaner, Bruce LaLonde, Brian McLelland, Ludlow Miller, Matt Morano (briefly), John Reiss, Alan Robinson, Dixon Shay, and Rick Wegryn. President Greenberg chaired the meeting..

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Agenda Items	Discussion	Action
1. Call to Order.		Howard called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES.	The minutes of the July 12 meeting were reviewed and accepted.	Minutes approved.
3. PRESIDENT'S REPORT	<p>Howard noted that the response to the hurricane and storms had been fabulous. He suggested we develop emergency contacts among the Clubs on the Row. Various members pointed out that the cooperation had been great.</p> <p>Howard said that we would be discussing repairs to the roof and dock by the 1871 Foundation, primarily the dock.</p> <p>Howard proposed the EC appoint Willem Van Der Linde an Honorary Life Member. Approved by acclamation.</p> <p>Miles of Smiles on September 18 (attached). The Committee voted to participate unanimously.</p>	<p>Willem Van Der Linde appointed an Honorary Life Member.</p> <p>Matt will ensure the Boathouse is open for the Miles of Smiles event.</p>

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<p>4. TREASURER'S REPORT</p>	<p>Dixon reviewed the P/L for the month. The finances are in good shape and within budget.</p> <p>The "Henley Account," that was being managed by the Club has been zeroed out with a small contribution to the Club.</p> <p>The final payment has been made on the new 4x/4+.</p> <p>As planned, the Club is about \$13,000 better off this year.</p> <p>Dixon initiated discussion of the renovations to the Womens' Locker Room that originally were planned to cost about \$25,000. With the addition of a third shower (that includes moving a wall), new storage space and a vanity, the total cost would be \$40 – 45,000. If it is phased in, with additional cubby lockers delayed until next year, the changes can be made for about \$25,000 as originally planned for this year.</p> <p>Dixon reported he had been working with the 1871 Foundation on the replacement of the roof and dock – which would be discussed by John Basinski during the 1871 report.</p>	<p>The EC accepted the Treasurer's report.</p> <p>The Committee voted to phase in the repairs to the Womens' Locker Room by making all the renovations with the exception of the cubby lockers at an anticipated cost of about \$25,000..</p>
<p>5. REPORT OF THE COXSWAIN</p>	<p>Bruce stated that the new boat will arrive fairly soon. It will be rigged as a 4+ and Charley's Angels will be rigged as a 4x. Either can be rigged alternately as agreed with the Coxswain, in advance.</p> <p>Bruce noted that, as a result of</p>	<p>The EC accepted the Coxswain's Report</p>

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	<p>requests, he will take the steering off the Homer and Basinski.</p> <p>Bruce reported that the Fall SS and CH Associate Member programs would include 12 guys and 7 girls, whose membership will be approved by the Elective Committee.</p> <p>Bruce stated that the UBC launch needs some work to the engine, and he discussed the placement of the launches on the dock , particularly during a storm.</p> <p>Bruce suggested that next year the Van Der Linde and CIB should be replaced for an expected cost of about \$27,000.</p>	
<p>6. HOUSE COMMITTEE REPORT</p>	<p>Brian reported that the roses had been pruned and the downriver bush appeared to be coming back. He thanked Paul Meyer and Rob Fleming for advice. He thanked Paul and Alan Robinson with joining him for pruning.</p> <p>The new US flag is up at the back of the house, and the new one will be put up in front as soon as the new UBC flags arrive.</p> <p>The committee is obtaining a bid on refinishing the floors (again) – and will ensure they are done so they hold up for a longer period of time.</p> <p>There was discussion of the need for new balance valves for the showers, and fixing the water flow in the urinal closest to the sink.</p> <p>Brian noted the clean-up response</p>	<p>The EC accepted the Committee’s report.</p>

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	<p>after the storms had been remarkable, with a lot of people turning up to help.</p>	
<p>7. LILACS REPORT</p>	<p>Matt reported that a number of private events are planned.</p> <p>There was discussion of the level of participation in social events and collection of the payments due. Matt reported the committee was hoping to set up an on-line payment system, linked to the invitations for the events.</p> <p>The annual holiday party is being planned for January 12, 2012.</p> <p>Fall clean-up day will be October 15 from 9:00 to 11:00.</p>	<p>The EC accepted the report.</p> <p>The Committee approved setting up an on-line payment system.</p>
<p>8. REPORT OF THE ELECTIVE COMMITTEE</p>	<p>Howard stated that Jen had reported that the Elective Committee had met and recommended reducing the non-resident fee to \$150 and freezing it for 5 years. There was considerable discussion about not lowering the fee, but freezing it for five years at current levels. The Committee agreed to revisit the issue as part of the budget discussion in November.</p>	<p>The EC is postponing a decision on non-resident fees until the budget is decided.</p>
<p>9. TTEHOSR INFORMATION</p>	<p>Chris reported the closing date is October 10.</p> <p>TTEHOSR needs more captains and, because Chris will be away, someone is needed to handle the mailing of the parking stickers.</p>	

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	<p>The Charles is ending open water singles events, so the TTEHOSR is picking them up, which will move some competitors to Philadelphia.</p> <p>There is a need to work on marshalling, especially the line-up from Strawberry Mansion to the Start – and there is a need for friendly Marshals. Volunteers who are experienced rowers are requested.</p>	
<p>10. SN INFORMATION</p>	<p>No report until the SN resumes its meetings in September.</p>	
<p>11. 1871 FOUNDATION INFORMATION</p>	<p>John Basinski noted that the first spending of 1871 – on the center wall repair and fixing the door ways had been such a success that no-one noticed! In particular, there was no harm to the house as a result of the recent major flooding, and all the new repairs held up as intended.</p> <p>John noted that the discussion with the Club had centered on the dock repair, as that was in more imminent need of replacement than the roof. He noted that with a recent contribution from the Estate of Jim Carsen of \$5,000, 1871 had about \$65,000 in the bank once this year’s contribution is received from the Club. The dock is expected to cost between \$95,000 and \$120,000 and there was discussion of the Club loaning the balance to the 1871. There was much discussion and agreement that at least 3 bids should be obtained, though there was also agreement that longevity of the dock was a major issue.</p>	

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	<p>John noted that the current proposal extended the dock 7 feet towards Malta and Bachelors. There was much discussion of the necessity of doing that, and agreement that all the Clubs should be contacted before any final decision was made on that. Brian and John Curtin will talk to Penn, Chris to Malta, John Curtin to Bachelors and Vesper.</p>	
<p>12. OLD BUSINESS:</p>	<p>None</p>	
<p>13. NEW BUSINESS</p>	<p>Howard noted that John Curtin had announced his resignation as Captain for lack of time. John suggested that the 8s seemed to be settling down – and perhaps each 8 should have a person in charge of ensuring rowers for that 8.</p>	

ADJOURNMENT: President Greenberg adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard E. Wegryn, Jr., Secretary

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Schuylkill Navy Delegates and Club Presidents,

On Sunday, September 18, the clubs on Boathouse Row have the unique opportunity to once again participate in "Miles of Smiles."

This event will be sponsored by Conkerr Cancer, whose goal is to provide a bright and cheery pillowcase to every seriously ill child in North America by 2015. Thus far over 400,000 pillowcases have been given to children - not just living locally but all over North America but in over 222 hospitals in the U.S., Canada, South Africa and Israel.

What are we asking of you ... very little! Just allow access to a team of volunteers to enter your Boathouse at 9:00am on Sunday, 9/18. All supplies will be provided by Conkerr Cancer. We ask that you just open your doors.

We did hang many pillowcases from most of the front balcony areas last year. As a result of a visitor viewing "Miles of Smiles" last year, a Chapter was formed in Puerto Rico.

It would be quite a remarkable sight if all the Boathouses participated this year! Let's hope we can have a similar impact on Philadelphia in 2011.

Any questions, please call me.
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