

**July 18, 2019- Sylvania Library, Meeting Room B, 7pm**

Mr. Skelding called the meeting to order at 7:03pm. Those in attendance included Jim Skelding, Mike Dibling, Savannah Bales, Chip Parsons, Sam Duncan, Amy Massamore, Paul Kortier, Jennifer DeLucia, Megan Earle, and Alex Thornton.

Department Reports were submitted via email prior to the meeting, and board members fielded questions regarding their reports.

Mr. Skelding noted that he would submit financials to board once the club’s bookkeeper returned from vacation. No additional questions for Mr. Skelding.

Ms. Massamore noted during equipment report review that the club had received an offer for the club’s large trailer from Alan Meininghaus. The offer was for $1500 cash + $1500 credit toward future boat repairs. It was also noted that dock repairs are needed. Mr. Aiken will come to inspect docks and give quotes for repair. Mr. Kortier suggested designating a portion of the dock for launch entry and extraction and taking bumpers off this portion of the dock. Each season the club spends between $400-$600 on dock repairs, and this could help to alleviate cost. Mr. Dibling, Ms. Bales inquired about float at end of the dock. Ms. Bales recommended lowing floats to prevent boat damage when boats are docking. Mr. Kortier and Ms. Massamore noted that adjustments have already been made, and that the board has not heard complaints/comments from membership. Float had been raised due to Frogtown activity in the past.

It was agreed that the board would solicit comments from membership and coaches to the float at the end of the dock and that the board will evaluate the cost to make additional adjustments.

As noted at June’s meeting, the lifts utilized in the boathouse need to be serviced. Ms. Massamore and Mr. Peters are waiting on quotes and repairs will be completed before high school teams return to the boathouse.

Mr. Kortier requested to use $40 for goose lines for the dock, this cost was approved. Meet and greet with Learn to Row participants to take place within next two weeks.

Ms. Bales noted changes she will implement to the newsletters moving forward. It was suggested that we work to connect with local gyms to promote interest in programming. Ms. Bales also suggested connecting with ProMedica wellness. Ms. DeLucia to assist with building connections.

August board meeting will be designated to 2020 programming.

Ms. Massamore discussed summer Juniors programming- attended both Grand Rapids and Chicago Sprints regattas; sculling programming.

Boathouse painting project is currently on hold, replacement of flooring in bathrooms is in progress.

Frogtown donations were noted. Ms. Mikolajczyk reached out to Hollywood Casino regarding potential sponsorship. Suggestion to do so had also been made by Mr. Parsons. Ms. Massamore and Ms. Thornton to schedule one more Frogtown meeting and will send out information regarding date.

The board has been in receipt of John Deku’s letter of interest to join the Board of Trustees (rec’d 6.19.19). Motion made via email by Savannah Bales, seconded by Jennifer DeLucia. The motion passed when voting completed during meeting.

Board has received resignation letter from Mr. Skelding, effective December 1, 2019. Mr. Skelding is to host a “State of the Crew” meeting Tuesday, September 10 from 7-9pm.

The board is also in receipt of a letter from Mr. Chip Parsons to join board (rec’d 7.16.19). Mr. Parson’s son is currently on St. John’s Jesuit team and has served many roles within their parent organization. Board is currently full (10 members); however, board is very appreciative of Mr. Parson’s willingness to help and will notify Mr. Parsons when a position opens.

A brief conversation was held around organizational structure/changes made earlier this year. Mr. Skelding noted that he will complete and send to the board President and Treasurer job descriptions so search can begin. Mr. Skelding noted Ms. Massamore has embraced the ‘value added’ concept, leading work with Aly Sterling Philanthropy and building relationships with community partners. The board reaffirmed the need to take on day-to-day tasks to assist Ms. Massamore in running the club to free up more time to build relationships.

The board will next meet August 15, 2019 at 7pm. Meeting is set to take place at boathouse; however, should heat be a factor, Meeting Room A at the Oregon Library has been reserved.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm. Meeting minutes entered by Ms. Thornton.