

LRC September Board Meeting Minutes

Meeting Title		
Date: 9/14/19	Meeting Time: 10:30 am	Location: LRC
Meeting Called to Order:	Matt Williams	
Type of Meeting:	LRC Board Meeting- 3rd Quarter 2019 Board Meeting	
Note Taker:	Jeannie Nolan	
Attendees:	Matt Williams, Seth Faler, Jeannie Nolan, Allison Colberg, Maria Mantel, Kay Hughes, Ryan Worth, Megan Hanewald (via phone)	
Members Absent:	Dave Moore, Angie Beahm	
Next Meeting:	December 7 th , 2019 @10:30am	
1. Call to Order @ 10:35 am		
Presenter:	Matt Williams	
2. Fleet Status		
Presenter:	Allison Colberg	
Discussion:	Proposal to replace oar parts to be presented	
<p>AC: Offer to repair oars for \$711 to be done on LTR oars by Paul. He is doing things around the boathouse. Ryan pointed out that Concept 2 will repair C2 Oars for free and they will be at Head of the Hooch. There would be 6 sets of oars to be repaired. Megan (on the phone) asked if we shouldn't contact them ahead of time since we have a large volume. Ryan said they do a large volume and should be fine.</p> <p>We have 2 new pair of oars but even with that we are down to 8-10? pairs in the boathouse for regular use. Per Allison -We buy a pair a year. Last year we bought 2 new pairs. Allison made a motion to purchase a new set this year. (Inventory after meeting shows 11 pair of nicer oars). Motion was not approved.</p> <p>Ryan suggested going ahead and buying a nice used pair to be delivered at HOH plus about \$200 for parts for the repairs. He will then be in charge of getting oars to HOH for repair. He suggests starting with the oldest ones first. Oars need to be inventoried. Ryan will go down after the meeting and do an inventory of oars. Allison thinks she has a list from before. Ryan recommends selling used oars for \$500 per pair. Ryan recommends taking the oars to HOH and let them know when they will be used for racing and they will prioritize the repair on them. Ryan discussed the oars we use in the club and they are all a standard length and he discussed blade types etc. He suggests changing to different lengths of oars and that not every rower needs row with the exact same oar length which is what LRC has right now. Jeannie noted that at Oak Ridge they have color coded oars and height chart posted on the wall. Ryan noted that he helped ORRA put that together. Ryan will label oars S, M, L and put out a height chart so people know which oars to use.</p> <p>Ryan noted that LRC can sell old oars for \$200-\$500 a pair for people to use as decoration. Maria said that there has been discussion about trying to sell older boats as well to clear out the boathouse & to clear up space. Megan says she is sending out an email soon about HOH help. She will post old oars for sale in the email (newsletter).</p> <p>Per Ryan LRC can pay \$525 for used oars on the Concept 2 website and recommends starting there for a purchase.</p> <p>Allison asked if a couple of hundred of dollars (\$200) is a good amount to spend on parts for repairs (Henry and Paul-could do some repairs.) Ryan agreed. Ryan asked to be included in the communication with Paul as part of the "equipment committee" with Henry and Allison.</p> <p>Motion to buy one pair of lightly used oars from C2 and post an ad for used oars for sale and use that money for other oars and invest in a couple hundred dollars in parts for repair. Motion was approved.</p>		

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Other Items Discussed: Cox Box Purchase, Speedcoach Purchase (Maria Mantel)

Maria suggested a new cox box because the current one is on its last leg. Her husband and friend repaired the one in use now. She would like a speed coach as well for the club. Megan says it is a small piece of equipment. How could we track it? How would we know who used it last? Maria suggests an additional column for signing it out of the rowing logbook. A lock box to could attached to the desk downstairs with only certain rowers who have the code to use it. Per Allison- A speed coach is a small enough of a cost that it could be purchased yourself. Ryan suggested rowers could use an app on the phone. And per Ryan there are new cox boxes for about \$700 with a GPS speed coach. Ryan would be willing to buy our used one at around \$200. The new cox box would be around \$700. Per Matt we would be willing to donate the old cox box to UTC and Maria made a motion to buy a new cox box with GPS. Table the other speed coach for now. Motion was approved to buy a new cox box with GPS. Maria to purchase and submit receipt to Allison for reimbursement.

App – RitmoTime Stroke Monitor by Full Compression, LLC

<https://apps.apple.com/us/app/ritmotime-stroke-monitor/id358648379>

Other Items Discussed: Steering Repair in the Dan Williams

The issue was discussed to repair steering in the Dan. Ryan made a suggestion of a certain type of cable that he likes to use. It was agreed that the money needs to be spent to repair it because the Dan needs foot steering. Per Ryan he likes the cable supplier Mazzella Companies and a stainless steel cable that will not rust.

3. Financial Report

Presenter: Allison Colberg

Discussion: Proposal to open a secondary checking account for use with linking to Paypal to be presented, proposed budget, financial report overview

Allison passed out the financial report and numbers were discussed. Motion made to donate \$250 to Tennessee River Gorge Trust as we typically have following the Gorge Row and \$250 to UTC Rowing on account of the time Ryan spent volunteering for the Gorge Row. Motion was approved. \$856 spent so far on boat repairs and erg purchase. Approximately \$6k spent on replacing LRC boat bay doors.

Allison passed out a sheet for discussion- LRC Budget Draft with proposed general categories.

- Savings/Contingency
- Boat Replacement Fund
- Chattanooga Rowing Capital Needs
- Funding Next Year's Expenses

Allison asked for suggestions of other categories?

Matt suggests focusing on the fleet needs and capital needs for chatt rowing.

Ryan suggests as part of the fleet plan that LRC start selling off older boats that are 3-5 years old. Other clubs include in their plan the depreciation value of the boats and several other clubs spend about \$30-\$35k on replacement boats selling off the older fleet. Matt noted that as a smaller club that we don't have that kind of money to spend. Jeannie asked about the possibility of increasing club dues possibly and asked the follow up from a prior board meeting

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discussion about the LRC current membership dues. Seth stated that is was on the agenda for later discussion.

Allison suggests keeping a certain amount in the savings/contingency fund. An amount was not decided. Allison suggests contributing \$10 to \$20k this year for the boat replacement fund but we will revisit in the 4Q meeting.

PayPal – Allison would like a new secondary account to be set up to link to PayPal with a minimal balance. Motion approved to open the new account.

4. Learn-to-Row

Presenter: Allison Colberg

Discussion: LTR

Learn to Row- 34 took the class. 25'ish joined after. Most joined after. LRC members helped by being there and they rowed with new members and that was a huge help. Matt would like to know of the ones that didn't join why they didn't stay. Suggestions were discussed to engage more people- social events, a rowing pal, a list to reach out to new members with a contact list.

September 28th Ryan is doing a social event with food and races – 3k race. Erg relay. Chattanooga Area Rowing with alumni rowing. Current or former rowers 18 or over.

5. Coaching & Development

Presenter: Allison Colberg

Discussion: Coaching

Ryan – coaching certification. Connor has been working towards a lot of this on a volunteer basis and LRC could contribute to Connors cost of formalizing that to have a US Rowing certification. Allison put in a motion to offer to Connor to pay for Level II coaching certification. The cost is \$400. Motion was approved. If going to the USRowing Convention in December, Ryan offers free transportation. Offer would be made to see if Connor is interested. Also, Ryan would suggest free rowing membership to a coach after they committed a certain amount of time. In order to keep the membership then you contribute xx amount of hours to keep a free membership. A member could earn blocks of \$100 credit towards your next year's membership.

Do we have the numbers to run a sweep clinic? Megan suggests weekend clinics at 2 hours per day, maybe extending over 2 weekends since during the week there are barriers like childcare, dinner, work, etc.

Newsletter – Megan will send out the first one. Ryan would like to be included. Maria suggested included new member Ingrid. Ryan would like a rowing community newsletter to go out. Megan states hers would be specific for LRC members since it is specific to our members only for example things like cleanup days at the boathouse.

6. Membership Process

Presenter: Seth Faler

Discussion: MH/KH/SF have worked on a process for new members and renewals

Membership Process (SF) – 2 handouts given. Membership dues in line with other clubs out there. Most have moved to an online solution for membership. Move to an online solution for membership renewal. Cost associated 3% for credit card fees. Regatta Central or Sports Engine. That could be passed on to the member. Discussion from all members about the different plans

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and discussion about coaching and coaching requirements. There is a onetime set up fee of \$500 plus a approx. 3% fee per each.

7. Head of the Hooch

Presenter: Matt Williams

Discussion: 2018 Summary, 2019 Update

HOH updates with revenue. Henry and Fred are in discussion with ARC that we have 50/50 split. ARC is not in agreement. This year will be the same as last year as no agreement between ARC and LRC has been reached.

8. New Business (open)

Presenter: all

Discussion: open

- a. Information packet for new rowers. We have a volunteer to put one together - Maria said Ingrid is interested. Allison has one and will send along to Maria. Maria/Ingrid/whoever would be welcome to update it. It is currently being sent to people that go through LTR. Maria noted that Ingrid didn't get one because she joined without going through LTR.
- b. Winter Erg Program - (Discussed after the meeting) Jeannie will work with Ryan Worth to discuss and develop ideas for the winter erg program.

Meeting Adjourned at 12:37pm