

FOMR Meeting
10/1/2019
RM V222
Start 6:30 End

ATTENDEES

Nancy Galvin, Dee Calvert, Jason Truong, Kristina DiPlacido, Stacie Canavan, Suzannah Campbell, Joanne Allen, Michelle McAfee (parent Jen DesAutels)

AGENDA

Reports from board:

Nancy

- Hired Ben Beckwith as assistant coach
- Blue Plate (still working with Mark Rumley - follows up every 2 weeks)
- Received list from Aaron regarding needed parts for girls team, board voted via email and items are ordered
- Frank disposed of old gas at hazard waste drop off
- Chuck fixed hole in 3rd boat (currently looking for right size motor)
- Repair work on boat has been done by Dan

Chris D.

- USROWING membership has been renewed and we are currently registering for regattas. Oct 13th Boys will be rowing a V8+ and N4+ Girls will be rowing (2) V4+ and a N4+ Rowing Terms: (+) means a coxswain present (-) no coxswain (X) is a sculling event
- Practices - there are 15 rowers and 3 coxswains, Practices have been going well with a few exceptions of a couple of kids and attendance. Chris is to follow up with separately,
- Thursdays are a designated training.erging day with maybe some film viewing to give boys visual aids of what we in the launch are seeing.
- Frank has been incredibly helpful as always with girls and boys teams and we all thank him tremendously
- Ben Beckwith has been integrating well and has brought a new perspective to coaching aspects. Seems to be a good fit.
- Will Allen's proposal, hoping to store single in fenced area and launch at 6:30am in the fall until it gets too cold to do so. He provided

background on his rowing history and would provide a donation to the rowing team to thank us for the opportunity to store boat in fenced area

- He also works at a company (6 River Systems) they are currently being acquired by Shopify. Would be happy to provide information about work stuff for the kids..Career tracks like software/hardware engineering sales, marketing etc.

Aaron

- Girls team has 10 Varsity 8 rowers 2 Coxswains Novice has 7 rowers no coxswain. Hopefully all will be able to race with the exception of one but that is to be determined.
- Looking at the 4s it might be worth it to purchase a lighter to medium weight boat in the future for the girls team as all of them are quite heavy.
- There is an attendance issue with some girls. Aaron has had to speak to the team more than once about this.
- The team is taking it slow to teach the novice girls and due to only one coach. The novice team is coming along great and hopefully the varsity team will have more one to one coaching soon.
- Training is about 1 week behind schedule
- Winter training may be held on Monday and Wednesday and of course if girls are participating in a winter sport then it won't be an issue

Stacie

- Ordered new banner for the team left out tonight for board to see
- I asked Captains to organize signup sheet for bake sale to run/bake Nov 5th and to make a couple of posters. Will follow up with Captains next week.
- Will send reminder to parents 10/3 and 1 week before the bake sale all baked goods can be dropped off at my house (8 Wildwood Rd) the night before or at Zero Medford Street (Firehouse at 6:30 on).
- Currently updating rowers email list. Heard back from Captains 10/1

Jason

- Handed out Acct Summary/ will hand out a more detailed one quarterly
- 4 checks have not cleared and are not reflected on Summary

Suzannah

- Sent out Sign up Genius for Oct 13th Regatta
- Went through food trailer with Stacie and made a list of what they need

- Currently 19 families have paid 14 have not. Suzannah will send out a reminder letter to them.
- Reminded people to beware of allergies and either omit allergens or list ingredients when making a dish

Joanne

- Orders still trickling in
- Asked group if we should keep a limited stock on hand about \$700 to do so
- Feb would be a good time for Uni orders to be placed for spring. Not sure when spring sign ups are yet
- Joanne holding Mayors cup T-shirt contest again.(suggestion send out reminder to design logo now so we aren't scrambling later)

Old Business

- Nancy still working with Mark Rumley about blue plate. ? maybe we can switch the plate from the old trailer to the new trailer. She is checking in every two weeks.
- Holes keep popping up on boats girl and boys. One possibility for a hole is the boats are too heavy for the girls. Hopefully, girls will get stronger as time goes on. Dan cannot keep fixing holes.
- Fundraising and volunteers still continue to be a troublesome issue. Joanne spoke to Erica Putnam who seems willing to take on some fundraising responsibilities. She will connect with Nancy shortly.

New Business

- The BUS has been secured. The kids will leave from Hormel at 5:30am on Oct 13th. Chris has left a message with DPW, leaving multiple ways to get in touch with him. If he hasn't heard from DPW by the end of day 10/2 he will follow up. He is ccing Nancy and Aaron so both are in the loop. John, Kristina's dad, will be trailing the food truck for us both regattas. Kristina has been given the key to the lock to the trailer
- The coaches need to figure out how Ben and Frank should split their time to be fair to both teams.
- Michelle to look into coaching clinics for both coaches to support them with growth and conflicts that may arise and how to handle them. A suggestion of a survey monkey at the end of the fall session was brought

up. One question that could be on there is the athlete doing a winter sport? Winter clinics may be an option if there are enough athletes to participate.

- The board agreed that we should list responsibilities of board members and coaches. There are a lot of new people and uncertainty of who is responsible for what. This checklist would be helpful for future board members and will be handed down.
- There are two dates we can dispose of the old gas. Dee was asked if she could do this. The dates are Oct 19th and Nov 2nd from 9-2
The address is MinuteMan Household Hazardous Products Regional Facility
60 Hartwell Ave, Lexington Ma 02421 They only accept checks.
Frank disposed of some gas already for us. (LOVE FRANK)
- Kristina to let Aaron and Chris know the dates of the middle school cross country dates. We believe there is only one more but it is interfering with the kids bring the boats in.
- Nancy to speak to the coaches about representing the rowing team at the 8th grade open house on Oct 17th.
- The request for Will Allen was denied by the board due to many liability reasons

Meeting ended 8:20pm