

# The Seattle Canoe and Kayak Club

# Board Meeting Minutes - October 18, 2022 7:00 pm

Online

<u>Attendees</u>: Tami Oki, Justine Barton, Gerrie Hashisaki, Jason Coffman, Steve Wort, John Cross-Whiter\*\*, Karla Ogle, Cynthia Cozza, Julie Roberts\*\*, Liz Graf-Brennen, Eli Holmes <u>Absent</u>: Tracy Landboe. Kathryn Orr and Ben Dietz are stepping down from Board.

\*\* Intro to John and Julie as prospective Board members

# AGENDA

- 1. <u>Review Agenda</u>, Steve 7:00 7:05 pm
- 2. Minutes 7:05 7:10 pm

Tracy was not present, so no September minutes to discuss/approve. Remind Tracy about draft September minutes. ACTION (JB)

3. <u>Actions from last meeting</u> – 7:10-7:25 pm No discussion.

- 4. <u>Live Agenda, Committee Chairs</u> 7:25 7:50 pm
  - a. Finance, Gerrie
- August total revenue \$18,782. Total personnel \$5,392, admin \$494, Fees: \$4,220, Net gain \$8,676. TOTAL fund balance \$44,840
- Jason and Gerrie preparing budget for 2023. 2019 November totals used for estimating purposes because that was last camp held. Jason currently projecting surplus of \$21K for next year.
- Erg Purchase Gerrie OK'd \$10K for ergs and Tami has purchased three Kayak Pro kayak ergs and one canoe erg, to be shipped in next 2 weeks. This purchase was approved by the Board via emails this past month.
- Upcoming expenses -- We have set aside \$6K for outfitting the new boathouse interior, but with inflation etc. may have to spend more than that. Need to be careful with our purchases.
- Discussion -- Steve asked if the \$21K surplus includes staff pay increases? Answer is yes, and it also includes \$2K for scholarships. Steve asked whether there is any update to the cost for boathouse racks? Tami will check ACTION (TO).

Liz asked about money for racecourse repairs? Tami has found the club notebook with plans and costs. We need to put together a replacement rotation plan with updated pricing. ACTION (TO, all)

John commented that some spools may need to be replaced.

Jason – Additional Finance comments: He submitted the 2023 budget to ARC on Friday. Top line items are 1. 10% cost of living for staff, no fee increases required to cover this.

And 2. Putting \$ into scholarships. \$693 paid out of those funds last summer. Fundraising estimates include Eric Hughes and Ted Houk regattas. The \$6K designated and put aside for the boathouse outfitting is separate from the \$21K. For the purposes of a balanced budget, the \$21K surplus is in a line item called "Equipment Purchase Expense".

### b. Fundraising, Justine

Next fundraising events are racecourse set up and the Eric Hughes regatta.

### c. Sprint, Karla

Smoke has affected outside practice. Enjoyed Salmon Roe race on Lake Samish. Planning costumes for Cascade race – going as minions. Happy about erg purchases. Coach Aaron explained to the kids/parents about the need for training watches and dry warm clothes going forward.

#### d. <u>Regatta</u>, ALL

The group discussed the Eric Hughes regatta (Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>) – plan is to use the large Mt Baker buoys again. The course will be set earlier this year – small buoys on Friday, Nov 11<sup>th</sup> marking the anchors, with large buoys put out on race day, Saturday, Nov 12<sup>th</sup>. Tami setting up registration. No camp because no space this year given the boathouse construction. Tami stated that last year 90 paddlers raced, 5K, 10K and 2.5 K laps.

Frostbite rowing regatta (racecourse set up Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup>) – questions remain about lane placement and weeds. ACTION (small group) – a small regatta group will check and discuss ideas next weekend Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> at noon. Suggestion to use brightly-painted plywood to mark lane locations at the south end – for boat drivers to set straighter lanes at the start. Need to plan to physically move lane lines during the week if they are not straight. Extra small red floats at the north end suggested.

### e. Boat House/Containers, Eli

Electricity options being explored by the new boathouse construction contractor. Apparently it has to come from large boathouse rather than aquatheater. May be able to run a line through the closest container for lighting. Karla had idea for battery powered LED stick-on lights. Or could have magnetic mounts. Tami exploring lighting options. Question about security of the surfskis on the rolling rack. The rack wheel was broken but has been fixed. Surfskis may be falling off the rack – how to secure? Tami looking at larger wheels for rolling ease, and may move a V7 to the bunker to make more room.

### f. Sprint Coaches Association report - Eli

Not much happening now. Tamara and Rock have stepped down. Bylaw vote is coming up. Not yet posted.

## g. Membership/Adult, Liz

There is a winter membership Sep to Dec. Two new beginner members showed up this week.

## h. Communications/Website / Newsletter, TBD

Kathryn Orr has resigned due to other obligations, so there is opening for Communications chair. For now all will have to step in to help with updates to the website and managing social media presence. Kathryn will help with the transition. Eli has been updating website – minutes posted, dates corrected, adult page updated to include a calendar and 3 days/week suggested workouts.

Last meeting we talked about a poster with QR codes. Eli circulated for all to review. Need to add Parks and ARC logos. Tami will print out and put on notice boards. ACTION (TO)

## 5. Green Lake Small Craft Center Report, Tami - 7:50-8:00 pm

Small craft center construction getting underway -- want to maintain retaining wall, so will be very careful in taking building apart. Building followed by trusses and piling. The location of our containers is challenging because Tami never sees them. She has ordered more handheld radios to be placed in aquatheater, boathouse and container on chargers. Logistics, incl motorboat, require work-arounds and are tedious, but working so far.

Eleven kids signed up currently. Looking forward to using ergs this winter.

#### 6. Board Membership for 2023, All - 8:00-8:10 pm

Gerrie has been especially busy recruiting. Becky Bronstein coming to next meeting. Gerrie will approach Vadim as well.

#### 7. Other Business - 8:10-8:15 pm

Gerrie: Milfoil bad this time of year, every year. Perhaps we should get club weed guards. Soren making weed guards. \$5 each, installed. Eli suggests talking with Aaron about it first. Other rudders (Don Kiesling) may be better at shedding weeds for some boats by design, but relatively expensive. ACTION (EH) Eli talk to coaches about rudders and need for weed guards.

Liz: Challenge with coaching the adult class. Tami said that Kelly is on board and is being trained to coach if Gerrie or Eli is not there. Gerrie having a hip replacement in mid-January.

Steve: What are next steps for John and Julie? Tami will ask Sebastian to send application form. ACTION (TO)

Steve: Microsoft volunteer matches should begin to go back into regular funds rather than boathouse...Gerrie will watch for that.

Steve: Has old Kayak Pro for sale. Eli and Gerrie will discuss whether SCKC wants to purchase before he posts elsewhere. ACTION (EH,GH)

## 8. Adjourned 8:12 pm

These minutes submitted by Justine Barton.

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