



The Seattle Canoe and Kayak Club

Advisory Council Meeting Minutes FINAL– November 4th, 2025

7:00 – 8:30 pm

In Person – New Community Boat House meeting room (Zoom option available)

Present: Justine Barton (JB), Tracy Landboe (TL), Tami Oki (TO), Karla Ogle (KO), Andreea Ghizila (AG), Becky Bronstein (BB), Steve Wort (SW), Liz Graf-Brennen (LGB), Gerrie Hashisaki (GH), Matt Richardson (MR), Owen Lilleleht (OL), Shelly Fujikawa (SF), Fredrik Johansson (FJ)

AGENDA

1. **Introductions:** AC members introduced themselves to guests Owen Lilleleht, Shelly Fujikawa, Fredrik Johansson, and Matt Richardson (SPR, acting for Jason Coffman)

October Draft Minutes – Reviewed and approved as submitted (LGB)

2. **Finance, Gerrie**

- September ARC financials: Total Fund Balance is \$101,549. Though there are still outstanding expenditures and revenue, this looks healthy.
- The \$8028 Mt Baker rowing equipment purchase charged to SCKC was corrected
- Intercouncil transfer for Summer Extravaganza RAC race course set up has not cleared ARC books – will be in November numbers
- Purchase of John Flynn's Vajda XL K1 for \$900 went through and will be in November numbers
- Pending income includes the ACA payment for Nationals (\$5K), and the WA State reimbursable grant (\$6K) for purchase of Hody K2 and K4
- \$1500 donation to RAC was processed via intercouncil transfer – for helpers at Nationals, should appear in November numbers
- \$4111 for Nationals scaffolding was paid in November – should appear in November numbers
- Annual report for 2024 to ARC – pending. GH has numbers and hopes to complete this week

3. **Fund Raising, All**

- Final race course set up and take down fundraiser (Oct 26th, Nov 2nd) went well.
- Eric Hughes Memorial Distance Regatta (Nov 8th), approx. 70 participants
Horseshoe distance course will be set up Friday, 11/7
- Frostbite Paddling Camp (Nov 8-10th), currently 30 signed up, volunteer signup needed
- Green Lake Pathway of Lights (Saturday, Dec 13th, 4:30-7:30 pm) – cocoa & cider, open-house with RAC (Stephanie Jordan, RAC contact). Proceeds will be split 50-50 with RAC. JB, BB, and GH to plan. TO meeting with SPR organizer in a week to help coordinate. Will need volunteer shifts to hand out drinks and give tours of boathouses.

Action item (TO): Send out volunteer schedule for Frostbite 1-hour shifts

4. Youth Sprint, Karla

SCKC Holiday Party on Saturday, December 6th, 5:00 pm at Boathouse 2nd floor community room. Will include youth, masters and families. Club will supply banh mi sandwiches and members to bring potluck sides and desserts. Program will include slide show by Andy (send her pictures), and annual club awards. Andy will attend virtually from San Diego.

Cascade Distance Race -- 10 juniors (including Girts) in Frozen costumes and 6 masters raced on October 25th in Bothell.

About 30 athletes are currently signed up for Frostbite Camp, including 6 from our team.

With early darkness, weekday practice is now indoors using ergs and weights.

5. Masters, Eli & Breona

Tues/Thurs evening Masters Conditioning class 6:45-8:15 pm starts Nov 4th. Remember to sign up even if class is free for members! And Sunday paddles from 9:30-11:30 am.

6. Regattas, All

ACA Sprint Nationals (Aug 12-15) Lessons Learned – (JB) – continuing to pull together input

Eric Hughes Memorial Regatta (Nov 8th) – distance course set up 11/7

2026 Ted Houk Regatta will be June 13 and 14, with setup May 31. OHR Trial Friday the 12th.

Action items (TO): Purchase two new waders to replace one missing and one remaining leaking set. Get takedown machine repaired this winter

SW: Calculate costs and reach out to RAC regarding adjusting racecourse maintenance cost

7. Boat House, Eli, Tami and Andy

Stellar Double Surfski donation accepted via AC email vote (dated 10/29/25)

Equipment priorities – list of priorities for 2026, incl 6-8 boats – Andy (AG) will complete her priorities this week.

JB: Going forward we have at least \$15,000 balance from Nationals to add to our existing 2026 equipment budget and put toward equipment -- need final priority list for planning

Status of boathouse projects for Fall/Winter:

- Life jacket poles -- installed
- Paddle racks -- installed
- Extra seats hung from the ceiling using magnetic hooks on metal girder
- Three ceiling pulley systems for K/C 4's installed so far, potential room for one more
- Remaining to dos: countertop, plastic dock assembly (using assembly pieces from Friends of Green Lake Crew), share inventory with coaches for comments on boats to retain/remove, storage improvements (rack labeling, padding, bungees), parts bins organized and labeled, canoe improvements e.g., C4 floorboard

8. Membership / Adult, Becky

REPORT OUT: Sat, Oct 18th Spooktacular Move-A-Thon and Open House (Duck Island Race 10:30 am) was well received with 15 passersby stopping to talk for substantial time and 6 trying boats.

Discussed possible Spring Open House the weekend of May 16-17th when rowers are away. Could include paddle-a-thon that weekend.

There are 24 masters members.

Tami and Becky to schedule orientation in January (possibly the 6th and 10th) as all members are required to complete annually.

9. Communications / Web site / Newsletter, All

Frostbite is on the website.

Monthly all member & family community email – status? (TO)

Action item (Karla, Eli, Jake, Tami and Becky B): Communicate about Holiday Party Dec. 6

10. Green Lake Small Craft Center Report (TO)

Matt Richardson/Tami Oki acting for Jason Coffman during 90-day detail, (back end of January)

Teal hired into permanent SPR front desk position

Staff are organizing spring classes and putting into ActiveNet

No maintenance for Sorenson in December as it was done in October

Boathouse washing machine is broken, just past one year warranty. The broken part is out of stock and may not be available.

Action item: Tami going to Lowe's to follow up on washing machine.

11. Other business

All current AC members confirmed willingness to continue serving in 2026

- AC officer elections:

The current slate of officers was reelected for 2026

President: Justine Barton

Vice President: Tracy Landboe

Treasurer: Gerrie Hashisaki

Secretary: Liz Graf-Brennen

- New AC members for 2026 – follow-up post meeting
- ARC Fiscal Sponsorship Agreement – review and renewal (JB/GH) – discuss in December
- Holiday AC meeting on December 2nd will be a regular meeting (not a party) as the whole club party is Dec. 6 in the Community Boathouse

Round Robin of attendees

Shelly Fujikawa suggested a spring youth Outreach Clinic, possibly advertising through Scouting Councils -- Tami suggested the weekend of May 16/17th might work as Rowing is away that weekend

12. Reminders:

ACA Sprint Competition Committee elections – please vote

RESJ (Race, Equity, Social Justice) discussions with ARC Board VP – see JB forwarded email

13. Meeting adjourned at 8:38 pm

Minutes submitted by Liz Graf-Brennen, Secretary

NEXT MEETING: December 2nd

The mission of the Seattle Canoe and Kayak Club is to promote competitive and recreational canoeing and kayaking, by providing coaching and training in a fun, safe, and supportive environment, to develop the sport and encourage sportsmanship, integrity, and community.