

Ocean City High School Crew Boosters, Inc.
MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 13, 2016

6:30 pm – 7:00 pm Public Comment and Coach Comments

Assistant Coach Kelly Rupert and Assistant Coach Kaitlyn Rupert stated that their number one concern is cleaning the erg room. Kait said the Board should not be involved – leave it to the coaches. Ruthann Meyer asked if cleaning supplies were needed. Suze stated that she has discussed this with Alex and Mike and they are on board also. Suze asked for a list of cleaning supplies needed. Ruthann asked what they will be cleaning – they will be taking out the trash, vacuuming, and cleaning the bathroom.

The second item of concern was that they feel they do not hear much from our head coach – a lot of times I learn information from rowers. For example the boathouse packets – we were not informed. Kait Rupert said they will be handling the unis this year – there will not be the same problem as last year. They will have forms and collect money. Suze DiPietro asked if they will be using the same vendor as the boys. Suze asked the coaches to coordinate with her so that the form is the same for boys and girls.

Kelly Rupert said during the past couple weeks there has been animosity between Alex's girls and the other girls – we are one team; there seems to be some bullying from both sides – let's eliminate this. Suze DiPietro suggested that we have a coach meeting – this has been an ongoing issue and we would like to have one happy team. Ruthann Meyer said we will do a pasta dinner – every girl and every boat at her house. Kelly Rupert would like to eliminate it now before it gets out of hand. Suze DiPietro said last year both girls and boys had issues and both need to be monitored. Ruthann Meyer suggested to coach swap – Kelly Rupert said it may take some convincing. Time schedules could be a problem – Suze DiPietro suggested that perhaps this could be done on a Saturday. Suze DiPietro said these are all good points and we will take them all into consideration.

Kirsten Canuso asked Liv Martinelli to add in any comments and she stated that there are definitely problems between the teams – the girl rowers thought they should have a bonding day not on a practice day – everyone together boys and girls. Ruthann Meyer asked about big sister/little sister – Liv Martinelli and Natalie Green said “yes” they still participate. Kirsten Canuso said it is sad to hear that there is discord among them. Suze DiPietro suggested that the older rowers mentor the younger rowers. Maybe the senior girls can mentor the younger ones.

Natalie Green thought that for a team bonding exercise we could also raise some money for the team and perhaps it could recruit new rowers. Maybe we could bring some ergs to the school and have some relays – this was done at Upper Township Middle School and it was successful. Suze DiPietro said Mr. Cook, gym teacher at UTMS, asked to have the rowers erg to show the middle school students.

Kelly Rupert suggested that as a fundraiser we could do the scavenger hunt only on off-season. Kelly Rupert also had an idea for a fundraiser was an ergathon at one of the local supermarkets –

people sign up for hour increments. Suze DiPietro said Shop Rite will not allow it. Mrs. Green said that the library/community center in Ocean City may be interested in having an ergathon.

Steve Martinelli stated that Alex Petrella was given two plans and was asked to look at the plan and come up with a floor plan for the proposed boathouse. He asked Kelly and Kait Rupert to pick one individual coach to come and sit on the building committee to help with the plans. If you all look and write down your design ideas, hopefully we won't miss anything. Unfortunately, there was a miscommunication on my part, not Alex Petrella's part, about the meeting the other night. I will make sure we get together and everyone is included.

Kelly Rupert stated that they will be going to the Tilton Inn for the Atlantic County rowers association meeting tomorrow night.

Mary Jean Majka has secured coffee for race days, we have an ok from Dunkin Donuts for a car wash: car will go through the wash and the driver may enter for a free coffee and donut. Should we sell tickets earlier – will let us know the date and amount and Suze DiPietro will make up tickets. Dunkin Donuts would like to do it in April – the only dates we have available are March 20, 4/16 (day before a week), 4/30 (day before championships) – Spring break begins 3/27/16. Steve Nathan asked to make sure you can charge – when the car washes are at the school, it is a “donation”. Sharon Solomon-Lowden suggested to have rotating shifts so that the kids who row early the next day do the early shift at the car wash. The date of April 30, 2016 was chosen.

Bingo - the kitchen is covered for the January 23rd game.

Suze DiPietro said they we have the ability to have a Mainland-Ocean City regatta – sell t-shirts, etc.

The Regular Board Meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by Suze DiPietro, President.

Attendees:

Suze DiPietro
Karen Koptic
Kirsten Canuso
Ruthann Meyer
Jane Mack
Stephen Martinelli
Dan Dubbs
Steve Nathan
Faith Camp-O'Donnell

Suze DiPietro stated that were are going to go a bit out of order – we have some important items to discuss.

I. New Business

A. Boathouse – Steve Martinelli said the engineer from Atlantic City Electric (ACE) stated that they will not have a problem with the boathouse but wants to see a plan

when complete. NJDEP requires ACE to sign the application; it was requested that the engineer note that we are completing the docks and piers first, then constructing the building. I am waiting for signatures on the application. It will need to be signed by someone from the Ocean City Board of Education. We may need to present our application to the Board. Steve Nathan asked if we still have the interim Athletic Director – yes we do – we still need to keep him in the loop. Steve Nathan feels that we should present to the Athletic Director and then Athletic Director will speak to Board. Steve Martinelli said we should see who we know and then we'll all get together. Dan Dubbs said that to get on the agenda it may take a few meeting cycles. Unfortunately, all the steps in the process take a long time. Ray Leps is still ready to rip out old dock and install new. Dale Foster is completing a demolition plan and we need to set up a meeting with the architect. Mike Millar met at the boathouse; I met with Ian and Alex also. Now the girls have plans to look over. The Cape May County Health Department will work with Steve Martinelli on the septic system. Steve Nathan asked about osprey – NJDEP is going to inform us about the three sites for the osprey nests to be constructed. Design is the next step. Kirsten Canuso asked about going to Brigantine to look at the design plan. Steve Martinelli said he looked at Viking Rowing club. We are making progress. Suze DiPietro asked if she should go to Kathleen Taylor to see the proper process – she may be able to get our item on the agenda.

II. Board of Trustees

Faith Camp-O'Donnell stated that we should not be involved in coach problems. Steve Nathan said that the girl coaches are airing their thoughts in front of the kids – the Athletic Director should be involved with coach disputes, not Board. Karen Koptic asked if the Athletic Director would be involved off-season – “no”; Ocean City wants to take care of coaches – they pay them and they should take care of the problems. Karen Koptic suggested that the coaches speak during the regular board meeting not during the public comment section

Steve Martinelli asked “What is the head coach’s responsibility, what is the proper protocol?”

III. New Business

B. Oars – Suze DiPietro sent a quote requested by Mike Millar for 10 oars for the boys via email to the Board. Faith Camp-O'Donnell asked what was so bad about the oars we already have and Suze DiPietro said they are approximately ten (10) years old. The price is \$4,600.00 to replace. Steve Martinelli asked Mike Millar to give him a list of equipment needed last year and he did not add these oars to the list that Alex made. Also, Mike Millar asked for ergs. They need to have a budget, and current inventory. Mike Millar did not do this – if he wants equipment, he needs to be more organized. Faith Camp-O'Donnell said we try to do it properly but we always get all these last minute requests. Computers were approved for the ergs but have not been ordered yet. Kirsten Canuso said the process is that Chris Meyer puts them in the shopping basket at the online store, texts Kirsten Canuso and she inputs payment information. Chris Meyer put new sleeves and new handles on the oars but upon further inspection, the blades were split – the oars are good for backup or camp but not for racing. Dan Dubbs made a

motion to approve the purchase of 10 oars, Ruthann Meyer seconded, unanimously approved.

IV. Old Business

A. Ergs – an email received from Jennifer Cooper was done with good intention, but we just need to clarify that we are not committed to buy them. Steve Nathan made a motion to purchase the ten (10) ergs, Dan Dubbs seconded, and Faith Camp-O'Donnell said we should ask the ivy league schools for their used inventory. Karen Koptic said that if we go out of the area it is a transportation problem. Steve Nathan said these ergs are used one day and they are worth \$1,500.00; the other ergs from ivy league schools are used and abused constantly. Steve Martinelli asked about how this affects the budget – how much money will we have left - \$1,700.00. Ergs come out of games of chance account. Steve Martinelli stated that originally we were told that the ergs were not that bad, then Mike Millar said “I’ll take ten ergs” – without even looking at them. Suze DiPietro asked for a vote on the ergs: unanimously approved.

V. New Business

C. Steve Nathan said Mike Millar understands the \$25.00 fee but will not collect the fee – he doesn’t like it but he understands it – he is a coach, he gets paid by the school and does not want to be responsible for the collection of the money.

D. Chris Meyer – the launches need a lot of work – I suggest we get two-way radios for the coaches, especially during February; waterproof floating pair for \$100.00 at West Marine – they even call the coast guard. We also need ropes and other incidentals. Kirsten Canuso asked for a list with estimates. Karen Koptic said that her husband is now working for Bass Pro Shops and he gets an employee discount.

E. Parent Meeting – Suze DiPietro distributed a draft agenda for the Parent Meeting for review. Suze DiPietro asked who is distributing 50/50 and dinner club tickets during the meeting. Kirsten Canuso said the applications with the State are not being mailed until January 26th; (Upper Township) and 29th (Somers Point), so tickets will not be ready for parent meeting. The State has until February 12th to approve or disapprove. If we could get an email approval from the State, we would be allowed to print tickets. Dan Dubbs suggested that we hand out dinner club tickets parent meeting and 50/50 tickets at stroke dinner.

Karen Koptic spoke about tent fee for 2016 – student name has been added to required field on Volunteer Spot and in reports she prints she can find the parent. What about the fee: \$150.00 for tent; \$50 for “bond” – separate checks; they should have to work at least two time slots per rower – bond will be returned if time slots are filled.

Jane Mack asked Kirsten Canuso to show during her financial presentation at the parent meeting to please show what Ocean City pays for and what Boosters pay for – I think it will be helpful.

F. Nationals – Suze DiPietro booked rooms – need to have a rooming list-parents = Zainesville; students = Baymont. The rowers will drive to Ohio on Wednesday night, practice and go to room. We need to check with Athletic Director about bus transportation. Dinners need to be set up on Thursday and Friday night. Parents needed to chaperone also. We absorb cost of coach rooms and dinners.

VI. A motion to approve the December 9, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes was made by Dan Dubbs, seconded by Steve Nathan, unanimously approved.

Suze DiPietro apologized for order of meeting – we can meet again if you want to continue.

VII. Fundraising

A. Possible raffle – Steve Martinelli explained that Ray Leps has offered to supply a jet ski or motorcycle at cost for a raffle

B. A storage facility has been obtained to store items for yard sale.

VIII. Docks – Steve Martinelli asked if we should pull out or leave in; we can opt to have the dock fixed or have city pull it out. Ocean City has to pull it out and then they do not want to put it back in when we want to start. The current and ice will push the dock. Suze DiPietro wants to keep it in – dealing with Ocean City is horrible.

B. Boat Storage – boats are not stored indoors, they are outside; Steve Martinelli secured an indoor place for storage but the coaches want to be able to go out in February. – out or in? Suze DiPietro stated that the boats on the trailers need to be re-arranged because some are being fixed by Chris Meyer.

IX. Treasurer’s Report – A concise treasurer’s report was supplied by Kirsten Canuso. A motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report was made by Steve Martinelli, seconded by Steve Nathan, unanimously approved.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Steve Nathan and seconded by Stephen Martinelli.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:57 pm.

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TREASURER'S REPORT

FOR THE MONTH ENDING
December 31, 2015

ACCOUNT	Beginning Balance	Receipts	Disbursements	Ending Balance
Boathouse Account	\$ 28,722.33	\$ 3.63	\$ -	\$ 28,725.96
Games of Chance	\$ 14,003.45	\$ 5.51	\$ -	\$ 14,008.96
Operating	\$ 42,791.08	\$ 1,010.87	\$ 2,201.25	\$ 41,600.70

Receipts

Boathouse	Interest Income		
Games of Chance	Interest Income		
Operating	Interest	5.43	
	Winter Crew - Girls	200.00	
	Winter Crew - Boys	25.00	
	Bagging @ Starns	780.44	
		-	1,010.87

Disbursements

Boathouse	n/a		
Games of Chance	Balance of Girls 4		
Operating	Legalized Games	120.00	
	Caprioni's	21.25	
	Greate Bay	400.00	
	Fitzpatrick	1,600.00	
	NJ DCA	60.00	
			2,201.25

Name	Check #	Amount	Purpose
City of Somers Point	2612	20.00	50/50 Raffle App
Legalized G o C	2613	20.00	50/50 Raffle App
Twp of Upper	2614	10.00	Dinner Clb Raffle App
Legalized G o C	2615	80.00	Dinner Clb Raffle App
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Total		130.00	

Ocean City Crew Boosters, Inc.
Profit and Loss Standard
 July through December 2015

	<u>Jul - Dec '15</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Jackets	430.00
Masters Program	
Summer Camp	10,200.00
Masters Program - Other	<u>3,800.00</u>
Total Masters Program	14,000.00
Clothing Sales	635.00
Donations	100.00
Fundraiser	
Coupon Book	104.00
Miscellaneous	<u>780.44</u>
Total Fundraiser	884.44
Interest Income	86.68
Rowing Club Fees	
Girls Fall	4,300.00
Boys Fall	2,250.00
Girls Winter	1,100.00
Boys Winter	<u>25.00</u>
Total Rowing Club Fees	<u>7,675.00</u>
Total Income	<u>23,811.12</u>
Gross Profit	23,811.12
Expense	
Crew Merchandise	1,553.00
Administration Expense	
Accountant	1,600.00
Bank Charges	30.00
Clothing Inventory	957.00
Licenses/Fees	87.50
Office Expense	143.11
Administration Expense - O...	<u>359.00</u>
Total Administration Expense	3,176.61
Banquet	400.00
Camp Expense	8,597.75
Cost of Jackets	15.00
Fund Raising Expense	
Bingo	<u>130.00</u>
Total Fund Raising Expense	130.00
Program Expense	
Portable Toilets	276.25
Program Expense-Insurance	3,754.52
Coaching Expenses	<u>3,500.00</u>
Total Program Expense	<u>7,530.77</u>
Total Expense	<u>21,403.13</u>

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Cash Basis

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Profit and Loss Standard

July through December 2015

	<u>Jul - Dec '15</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>2,407.99</u>
Net Income	<u><u>2,407.99</u></u>