

JEB Stuart Crew Boosters
December 16, 2015

Attending:

Present: Linda Manning (President) via teleconference	Vince Gioseffi (rower)
Mike David (Head Coach)	Chip Shand
Mari Mullane (VP and Register)	Mery Ortiz
Andrew Riester (Treasurer)	Renzo Ortiz
Catherine Dubas (Secretary)	Elaine Haver
Heidi Gioseffi	Craig Bond

Treasurer's Update

- Voted to designate our Treasurer, Andrew Riester, as master administrator for QuickBooks. Linda Manning will provide documentation to verify the vote to QuickBooks.
- Profit and Loss statement reviewed, as well as Wreath, Poinsettia, & Coffee Sale financials. Mari, Heidi, and Andrew will continue to analyze routes, profits, etc. for WP&C and for letter writing campaign. Projected net profit is \$8,665.84.
- Crew Boosters credit card is still being pursued; there has been a disconnect between school front office and Crew Boosters.
- Winter conditioning coaches (Rob and Shannon) will be paid, based on the daily rate, per Coach Mike's attendance record.
- A gift acknowledgement will be sent to Ms. Venzke for her donation of an erg to the team.
- Purchase of an 8 confirmed.
 - Crew Boosters made a verbal contract for the purchase of an 8 to replace the 1992 Mayflower. Of the \$17,000 (approx.) price, \$7,000 will be drawn from existing capital fund. Another \$2,500 will be transferred from this year's WP&C proceeds. There remains \$7,500 to raise.
 - A 25% deposit is due now-ish; the remainder will be due upon receipt of the boat. The deposit will be paid when an invoice is presented. Those funds are available now.
 - For the remainder, we will need to raise that money. Meanwhile, current and recent past members will be asked to float no-interest loans to tide us over financially.
 - It was recommended an e-mail appeal for donations before the end of the current tax year be sent to the current and alumni members and friends.

Wreath distribution and delivery – Tabled until next meeting.

Fundraising

- 50th Anniversary Gala was discussed.
 - Linda, Catherine, Chip, and Andrew will meet to brainstorm. Linda will contact Nancy Witkowski to ask that she join the brainstorming/planning group.
 - Linda has been in touch with Daniel James Brown's agent (author of The Boys in the Boat). He is one idea for a speaker for the gala.
 - Three elements of the event:
 - Reach out to historical/alumni rowers and friends to honor and celebrate them.

- Recruit current rowing families, both from Stuart HS and other schools to promote rowing today.
 - Tie in the celebration of 50 years of Raider rowing with how to move forward with honoring the Miss Fairfax and its history.
- Heidi Gioseffi will reach out to her contacts to develop a design for the 50th anniversary, to be used for shirts and promotional materials for the event. Deadline for the design is Jan. 15.
- Yard Sale – Freya has offered furniture from her parent’s home as a donation to the team. We can then sell the furniture and keep the proceeds. Suggested considering selling on Craig’s List as an alternative to a traditional yard sale.
- Chipotle net was \$350. This was a “freebie” due to cancelled event in 2014.
- Mari will reach out to other parents to take leadership with restaurant fundraisers.

Spirit wear/Uniforms

- Sandy Fitzgerald has offered to take over leadership with spirit wear.
- Chip will continue to manage the boathouse jacket order.
- Linda will place uniform order.
- After the winter break, team captains will measure students needing to order for the first time. Uniform pieces will be ordered in early February.

Coach’s Report

- Average student attendance at winter conditioning is 26, up from average of 20 students last year.
- Coach Mike is looking to borrow 6 more ergs from Prince William Rowing Club (PWRC).
- The refurbished sweep oars ordered from Croker have not been delivered yet.
- A stroke coach was donated to the team by a friend of Coach Mike’s. It is a \$200 piece of equipment. A thank-you will be sent.
- Work is on-going to repair rentals returned by Resilient.
- Resilient still owes payment #2.
- Coaching staff:
 - Evan is no longer coaching, since he has left to attend Shenandoah University.
 - Sarah is likely not available, due to her new coursework schedule.
 - Sergio may be available.
 - There are two PWRC adult rowers who may be resources to fill the gaps.
- The regatta schedule has been finalized.

Other: Currently, there are 36 registered rowers, and another 11 rowers with intent but incomplete registration packets. Novice girls is where the team may be short.

Next Meeting will be Wed., Jan. 13, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Catherine M. Dubas