

Indianapolis Rowing Center Board Meeting Minutes

Date: March 8, 2021

Members	Role	Attended
Janet Klochko	President	Y
Angelia Thorpe	Vice President	Y
Michael Sapper	Treasurer	Y
Sue Iffert	Secretary	Y
Megan Barr	Director	N
Tracy Barta	Director	Y
David Mann	Director	Y
Becca Kimball	Director	Y
Willie Black	Director	y
Mark White	Director	N
Larry Bechtel	Director	Y
Doug Stemmler	Past President	Y
Jill Henry	Director	Y
Jason McLean	Director	Y

Minutes:

Minutes from the last board were approved with no changes.

Financial report discussion- Michael Sapper

Boosters and endowment accounts are stable. Restricted account up by \$8,692.

Operating went down, restricted up due to cash being moved between accounts.

Janet Klochko reviewed the IRC Spending authorization levels. Executive Director can spend \$2,500 without a second approval; any amount over that needs approval by the

President, Vice President, or Treasurer. Boathouse Manager can spend up to \$400 per purchase without approval. Any purchase over \$400 requires a second approval.

Motion to approve spending authorization levels, approved.

Executive Director report - Deanna Dahlberg

The current Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Indianapolis Department of Parks and Recreation is due to be renewed in 2023. Deanna Dalberg and John Baker will work on this document to ensure that everything in the document is accurate, that IRC has correct insurance coverage, and to define who owns which IRC structures.

Insurance coverage is due to renew in May of 2021 and all details listed are being reviewed for accuracy.

Deanna is working with Brittany, new ED at Eagle Creek Park. They have a good working relationship and are currently working together to verify insurance coverage, finish tower ownership and IRC events. Ongoing discussions about Danny and all his institutional knowledge will need to be captured due to Danny getting close to his retirement age. Willie is already working with Danny to document what Danny does.

IUPUI asked IRC to keep a shipping container on the premises to store all of their rowing equipment. The board decided to not honor this request, due to it being an eyesore, but instead offer the shed next to the gas hut.

Big 10 Women's Rowing will most likely be hosted by IRC. It was originally hosted by Wisconsin, but they pulled out due to Covid-19 restrictions. We are currently getting permission from the city to host this event. We are also working on a detailed map placing where teams will be assigned. Budgets, no spectators, referees and all other details are being defined. Juniors will be at another regatta, so they will not be able to volunteer.

Notre Dame is hosting a scrimmage at Eagle Creek on March 27th. Willie Black will be there to support this regatta.

We need to do a better job of aligning our Outreach Programs with fundraising in order to increase our fundraising efforts with corporations. The RHI grant proposal is due at the end of the month.

Rower's Choice has requested a partnership with IRC. Alex is the founder of Rower's Choice, and has a good social media presence. We need to find out more about the

benefits of this potential partnership, and to quantify the benefits. Part of this program would include trading our boats for Pocock boats. We would also use them to provide free boats at regattas. A separate board meeting may need to be scheduled to decide on this proposal.

Boathouse Manager Update - Willie Black

Docks and launches are in. All sweep oars are overhauled. Some reconfiguration of boats and all IUPUI oars are hung. Juniors cleaning on Saturday. Cage and office are clean.

Programs Update - Becca Kimbal

Created a coaching roster and welcome packet. Updated coaching pay. All programs are on our website. Goals are all defined for each program.

Executive Director Search – Two potential candidates to date. One candidate lives in Indiana and one in New York.

Fundraising - Jason McLean

The fundraising committee met the previous week and established goals for each program. Next we will tie them to specific programs and budget. We are brainstorming ideas for fundraising including: submitting more grants, hosting an ergathon, hosting a learn to row for parents during a Junior practice and a leaf freaking.

Old Business: None

New Business: Find out all dates that are happening at Eagle Creek and put in Monday Minute and IRC Calendar.

May 10th next board meeting.