

Upper Valley Rowing Association
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
November 4, 2013
Murray Meeting Room, Howe Memorial Library, Hanover, NH

Board Members Present:

Eric Brooks, Rowan Carroll, Erika Dade, Jonathan Edwards, Paul Gross, Liz Marshall,
Louise Moon, Carin Reynolds, Dan Ruml, Janet St Germain

Board Members Excused:

Christopher Bordeau, Kevin Cotter, Joanne Hayes, Sean Healey, Rosi Kerr

1. Review of October 9, 2013 Minutes

Motion to approve the minutes, as amended, seconded and approved
unanimously.

2. Fundraising

A fundraising letter will go out to the UVRF Men's Sweep Team before the general
fundraising letter is mailed. Erika has drafted; she and Paul will finalize and send
out.

The general fundraising letter drafted by the fundraising subcommittee was
discussed by the board. Liz will send another draft to board members for
feedback before the final version is sent out via email by November 15. The letter
will hopefully include links to photos and/or a slideshow.

In addition, Carin is sending out a letter to Lebanon students in the next week or
so.

3. End of Season Work Day, Saturday, November 23

The email from Jen friend to the board last year regarding the tasks needed for
the work day was very thorough. We will use this as a basis for this year's work
day.

There will be two phases:

Phase 1 will start at 9 am and will include derigging and putting boats into Fuller
(Dan will oversee), as well as dock removal (Liz will oversee). All rack space
holders must derig their boats and take riggers home before work day.

Phase 2 will start at 11 am at Fullington.

Janet will send out an email to members and set up a link to Signup Genius for
work day tasks.

Food will be available at about 11:30 am.

Storage – private boats and doubles will go into Fuller. We will try to store everything else, including launches, at Fullington - at a cost. The ideal would be to be able to store all club boats, equipment and launches in one place/Fullington.

4. Boat/Equipment Priorities

The #1 priority for the next UVRF equipment purchase is a men's eight. We will look for a boat, hopefully a used Vespoli, but they are hard to find and we do not have all of the funds yet.

The Equipment subcommittee will meet soon. Erika looked into the price of a new Vespoli and it would cost up to \$36,000 for a new one.

We also need a full set of oars. Lebanon Crew has some funds which can be applied toward oars. Carin is waiting to see what the needs are before sending out a fundraising letter to Lebanon Crew supporters.

5. Rent to Hanover

UVRF possibly will have to pay Friends of Hanover Crew based on usage (storage vs active use or we can go with annual cost. For all storage - \$1,200 - \$1,500; or \$2,000 per year. This still doesn't cover all costs. Rack rentals are another component for those who don't mind rowing after 7 am or don't want to row out of Dartmouth.

6. Kendal Dock

It was discovered that there is substantial damage to the float connectors of the Kendal dock and it is expensive to fix – perhaps as much as \$5,000. We don't know if Kendal will make a long-term commitment and if they will pay to fix the damage. UVRF and/or Lebanon Crew may have to fund the repairs. If we do so, we should be able to take a portion of the dock. It could be a worthwhile investment if we use or sell the dock.

7. Budget

The budget is in good shape. Income is on target and expenses are slightly lower than expected. At this point, building up reserves and purchasing equipment is all up to fundraising results.

8. Other

Friends of Hanover tours at Fullington are scheduled on the next three weekends for UVRF board members and other interested parties (email was sent from Blair Brooks). Carin needs to have RSVPs from anyone who is planning to go.

Motion to adjourn at 7:30 pm, seconded, unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Louise Moon, Secretary