

JEB Stuart Crew Boosters  
January 13, 2016

**Attending:**

Present: Linda Manning (President)  
Mike David (Head Coach)  
Mari Mullane (VP and Register)  
Andrew Riestler (Treasurer)  
Catherine Dubas (Secretary)

Heidi Gioseffi  
Vince Gioseffi (student captain)  
Chip Shand  
Regina Cruz  
Julian Cruz (rower)

**VASRA Update**

- The coxswain clinic was cancelled
- VASRA dues are now due.
- The proposed 2-day regatta is still under consideration; a final decision will be made Jan. 26.
- Other documents (volunteer names, liability waivers, etc.) due to VASRA Mar. 18.

**Registration and Calendar**

- Paid registrations are now 38; there are 9 potential names to be followed up on.
- Deadline for crew registration is nominally this coming Friday. However, Coach Mike will accept potential rowers in good condition as late as into the second week of on-the-water practices.
- Our membership with US Rowing has been renewed. A copy of our *Safe Sport Policy* will continue to be refined. Linda Manning will request review by Chris Hegemann.
- There are still some schedule changes. A “final” schedule will be published soon (following final decision on 2-day regatta, as above).
- Volunteer Coordinators’ meeting was changed to Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup>; Holly Riestler will attend on the new date.

**Uniforms & Spirit wear**

- Chip Shand will place boathouse jacket order this coming Sunday evening (Jan. 17).
- Team captains (Emma and Vince) will begin new rowers’ uniform fittings this coming Friday (Jan. 15).
- Sandy Fitzgerald now has the spirit wear stock. Mari Mullane will contact her to touch base.
- Discussion of possible 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary special shirt; if there are any suggestions for a tag line for the shirt, please get to Heidi Gioseffi asap.
- Related, Linda Manning has been in touch with the agent for Dan Brown (author, [Boys in the Boat](#)). The conversation about a possible visit from Mr. Brown, celebrating Stuart’s 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of rowing, is being pursued.

**Kicking Off the Season Activities**

- Linda Manning will pursue bus transportation for Sandy Run practices.
- Linda will be in touch with Bob Finley to make sure paperwork for practices at Lake Barcroft are in order, and to organize Long Fence loan for equipment while team is on the lake.
- Catherine will schedule Boosters meetings with Debbie O’Rourke.

- Feb. meeting for all rowers and families will be requested for the Stuart Library; make sure to focus on volunteer descriptions and filling in the volunteer calendar (Holly Riester).

**Preseason Conditioning** – Many students are taking advantage of winter conditioning. Coach organization and support has been superior (Shannon and Rob).

#### **Coach's Update**

- Coaching staff is mostly set. There is an on-going conversation with two possible part-time experienced coaches. Coach Mike will keep us posted on any updates to that conversation.
- New 8 is to be shipped on Sunday, Jan. 17. Transit is projected at 21-30 days.
- Croaker oars expected to be returned to the boathouse by the end of Jan.
- Resilient has made their final payment for summer boat rental. There are some parts and an oar yet to be delivered.

**Treasurer** – “WPC – the gift that keeps giving!” There are still some loose ends that Andrew Riester is pursuing. Linda Manning and Catherine Dubas signed the paperwork for QuickBooks to reinstate our access to our account. Insurance payment is due in early Feb.; Coach Mike David will review list of insured items. We have not yet met the threshold for receiving benefit of Harris Teeter cards linked to Stuart Crew.

#### **Other**

- Discussion about Mid-Atlantic erg sprints (rowers must register on-line) and PWRC erg sprints (Coach Mike is in charge of PWRC registrations; it is a free event, and includes races for mixed relay teams and rower-parent teams).
- Captains request to have tank tops offered this year!

***Next Meeting: Wed., Feb. 10, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. (projected location: Stuart Library) All rowers and rowers' families are expected to attend.***

Respectfully submitted,  
Catherine M. Dubas