

Old Lyme Rowing Association  
Board Meeting Minutes  
June 26, 2017

In attendance: G. Hack, C. Fuchs, P. Fuchs, J. Carey, J. Montanaro  
Others: B. Plage, B. Hack

Called to order at 7:10 pm.

1. Minutes of May 22, 2017 Board meeting were approved.
2. Treasurer's Report - Bank balance \$77,184.92. An anonymous donation of \$10,000 was received through OLRA, intended to support the Boathouse/Hains Park project. Just starting on payment of summer coaching stipends.
3. Coaches report/wrap up for LOLHS season: consider not attending the Philadelphia Regatta in the future because not enough competition to make it worthwhile. Seeking other spring season wrap up races.
4. Boathouse construction update  
Status of temporary CO, sitework, and other issues. Permanent CO should be forthcoming soon.  
Access to boathouse still under jurisdiction of the Town until permanent CO is obtained.  
  
Thorough review of revised draft agreement from Region 18 outlining OLRA's use of the boathouse and equipment, and other responsibilities. OLRA Board will make a few additional suggested edits as we get closer to final agreement.
5. Summer Junior Program update; June 21-August 4. 43 registered, with a few more likely; 55 registered last year  
Discussion of race plans and coordinating those plans with Masters rowers
6. US Rowing Women's Development Camp is underway under the leadership of Coach Ethan Curren - no afternoon rowing on Rogers Lake this year, per our request. Schedule has been shared with Region 18, Town of Old Lyme and Rogers Lake Authority, Picnic - TBD
7. Wrap up fundraiser "million meter challenge". Goal \$10,000  
Results:           \$2600+/- Juniors  
                  \$1700 +/-Masters  
                  \$4395 Total (other checks may be circulating)  
Thoughts on improvement: encourage kids and masters to mingle, have a one-day event

Identify student leaders/captains early, and get full buy-in and leadership from LOLHS coaches

Other forms of fundraising – car wash? Region 18 may suggest making gifts to a Region 18 fund (like other sports) to support rowing, rather than OLRA, in the future (in spring).

Parent informational packet – identify all associated rowing costs up front, consider pro-rating summer rowing program to broaden access

Fundraising sub-committee to be formed for Spring 2018 event

8. National Learn to Row Day-40+ people in attendance. Follow up with an email to each – ask Margo?
9. Historical Committee -college pennants are being collected and hung in the erg room. Thoughts on recognizing Olympians. Develop an online gallery of memorabilia?  
Committee meeting on 7/12
10. Future Board Meetings: Monday, August 7, Monday, September 11, Monday October 23.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jane Montanaro