



ROW GEORGIA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

June 11, 2024

MEETING INFORMATION

Location: Cava PTC

Time: 7:00 pm

Meeting Type: open to members

Facilitator:

Secretary:

Melissa Cadwaladr

Attendees: Beth Parker, Melissa Cadwaladr, Dana Sweatt, Chris Lambert, McKinley Harris, Aaron Schilke,

ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

AGENDA ITEMS

Item/Presenter/Time Allotted

1. Election/M.Cadwaladr /20 minutes

- 16 respondents. All running were elected as there was no opposition.
- Results: President: Melissa Cadwaladr, Vice-President: Brian Reilly, Treasurer: Eli Robbins, Secretary: Amna Collins, At-Large Term 1: Lee Miller and Aaron Schilke, At-Large Term 2: Chris Trout and Russell Stott
- 5 write in votes for McKinley Harris. At-Large Member until February 2025.

2. PR/Dana Sweatt

- **4th of July Parade** – PTC is now saying our trailer is too long. The total length of truck and trailer cannot be over 40 feet. We can either wrap the chuckwagon or use a smaller trailer. Russ' truck? Or kids can carry.
Need to look into wrapping the Chuckwagon cost and asking Russ if we can put boats on his truck.
- **Summer Camps** - Multiple camps running over a short period of time. Goal was 100 seats across LTR and Comp. As of today, we have

50 LTR, 25 Competitive, 12 Masters. Need 12 more registrations to meet goal.

- **Team Store**

- Coaches' white polo shirts and backpacks were ordered.

We need to protect the team store as a fundraiser and the brand. The small mark-up on product is a fundraiser. Dana proposes that we use the proceeds of the store to buy a pair of oars and have "Courtesy of the Team Store" added to the handles.

- County bylaws state that it is illegal for individuals to use the team facilities (club property/logos/etc.) to make a personal profit. Individual members cannot use the logo/oar or name to sell merchandise.

- **Fall Registration -**

- Season will start August 12 and go until November 15, 2024
VARSITY – 6 days/week \$18.75 per session x 88 = \$1650.00
NOVICE – 5 days/week \$18.75 per session x 76 = \$1425.00
REC – 2 days/week \$24.80 per session x 26 = \$645.00
MASTERS – 3 days/week \$8.69 per session x 42 = \$365.00
(\$285.00 with an annual membership)

3. Annual Membership: re-evaluation

- We need to re-evaluate our rules for adult annual members. We have adults wanting to join as annual members with little experience for the ability to use the equipment. In the past, annual members were often Masters' as well and had their own boats. Giving virtual strangers our gate code and allowing them free reign with our equipment is a risk to our club. Our historical annual membership rate is very low and does not cover even the deductible of any damage to equipment. At this point, any loss of equipment use would be detrimental to the program.
 - **Motion:** Move to increase the cost of an annual membership from \$211 FC/\$231 OC to \$505 FC/\$525 OC.

4. Fees for Coaches –

- **Motion:** Move to reduce coaches membership fee to \$50 while employed by RGA.
 - As coaches, they are developing their skills while on the water. Our assistant coaches make a small amount and put in countless hours outside of their paid time. This would cost the club less than \$1500 based on 4 coaches at the new Membership rate.

5. Recreation Program:

Between the Masters and the Youth Recreation programs, we are more than satisfying the county's Rec. requirement. Majority of Masters are Recreation athletes.

- **Motion:** Capping Rec. at 10 participants so that 1 coach can manage the group.

6. Boat Naming –

- 3 boats need naming. We are looking for corporate sponsors to pay for naming rights at this time. Currently, we are waiting to hear back from Panasonic.

7. Regattas:

- 6 Athletes competed in the US Rowing Youth Nationals in Sarasota this past weekend. The Women's Youth Double came in 20th in the Time Trials and 3rd in the C Final, the Mens U17 4x came in 20th in the time trials and 6th in their C Final.
- Next Regatta is the Independence Day Regatta in Philadelphia

NEW ACTION ITEMS

Item/Responsible/Due Date

1.

OTHER NOTES OR INFORMATION
