

### **Conibear Meeting 12/12/15**

In attendance: Sara Lopez, Eleanor McElvaine, Katie Egolf, Susie Chalker, Sara Amies, Catherine Reid, Ronda King, Irena Baker, Shelley Gleed, Nancy George, Mary Chalker, Robyn Newell, Beth Upton, Emily Warn, Shannon Phillips, Tara Vagen, Polly Thompson, Sharon Safarik, Karen Johnson, Gail Schueler, Betsy Seaton, Jane McPhedran

**September Business Meeting Minutes** were approved, no opposed

### **Presentation/Vote on new executive board**

Nominees:

Katie Egolf, President

Rita Sheckler, Vice President

Polly Thompson, Secretary

Jeannie Ianucci, Treasurer

Those present voted and approved the new board, they will take over in January 2016.

### **Financial Report- Jeanne**

Financial

Income and expenses both higher than projected, but balanced (81,000 income/expenses instead of 72,000)

More was fundraised than expected by auction

Equipment fund- Got some nice donations to buy boats, we bought 2 boats that were paid for, still need to refurbish Corazon

### **Dues/ Baker financial relationship**

May be increasing dues in 2016. This depends on what happens with our costs as a club, in particular our costs to Mt. Baker. What we pay to them will go up at least slightly because we have more people/participation. We pay based on the number of rowers that come down during the month, and what percentage of rowers overall we represent. So it's to our advantage cost-wise when Baker is doing well. Also, Baker has mentioned charging for boat storage, though this seems unlikely.

### **Mt. Baker Fundraising Event- Polly**

Fun and successful event. Mary Whipple spoke. Raised more money than before. Conibear well represented. Art contest was successful.

### **Coaches's Report- Sara and Eleanor**

Regatta talk- passed out list of events/dates. The only event without dates is sculling camp. Possible new event for us, TBD soon: Americas Masters Games- Aug 26-28, Vancouver BC. 21 sports represented in downtown Vancouver. Rowing will be 500m races. Opening/closing ceremonies, evening events, etc. Timing would allow us to do some good training after Regionals, over summer. Set entry fee to enter as many rowing events as you want.

Equipment report. Hudson should deliver the new Grace in December. Corazon refinishing (sanding/painting) should be done in January. New sculling grips were purchased (yellow Crokers will replace blue handles). Cox boxes being fixed. Sara Amies asked to have training session with cox boxes before we get out on the water end of winter.

Irena asked if we could have a coxswain clinic so that we all can be better coxes for each other. The coaches agreed, and emphasized that they are open to suggestions like this.

Sara spoke about coaching style, and said it's important that we communicate as individual athletes and a team, what we want from our coaches/team. Being a good coach to a wide variety of personalities/athletes is a delicate balance.

#### **Uniform order- Robyn**

JL orders should be in Dec. and Jan. Please let Robyn know now if you'd like to order a Boathouse Conibear jacket, as these need to be in before the holidays.

#### **San Diego- Tara V.**

Tara V. mentioned that she'd reserved some hotel rooms, which are in several people's names.

#### **Awards Party- Date/Host needed**

Choosing a date: Sunday, January 24, 31, or Feb 7? A doodle poll will be sent out to choose date/ find host.

Sara L. said she's newly on the board for Pocock Foundation. Speak to her if you may be interested in making a donation.