

MRRA Board Minutes

Location: Chelmsford Police Station

Monday, February 6, 2017 at 6:30pm

Attendance Karen Scammell, Terry Freeman, Dottie Semonian, Chur Masors, Dennis McCarthy, Bob Sengstaken, Tom Barrington

Want to get committee reports and get ready for budget report in March

Equipment committee –

Dennis reported that a small group met. Propose to sell old Vespoli Heavy weight, single, 2003(white), Swift Mid weight (needs a lot of repair) or the oldest boat the Vespoli double (old and ugly). Think we should sell two of the boats. Hope to get a few thousand for them plus the \$8000 available from 2016 regattas. May buy two new boats. Dennis will research some more and return back at Meeting next week.
General desired to keep updating our fleet of boats.

Membership/programs - update

Need someone to lead Learn to Scull, Chur has asked a couple of people but not found anyone yet. Tuesday nights and Saturday mornings.

Dottie looked into Regatta Central for organizing our membership. The woman at Regatta Central seemed to feel that we have our membership organized more than what they provide. There are a lot of costs. The only benefit is that our site and programs would be listed.

Possible just using Regatta Central as a way to advertise the Learn To Scull and Learn To Sweep. Looks like we charge less than others. Plan to have a meeting.

Need to find coaches

Learn to Sweep - Monday and Wednesday 6-8 PM

Learn To Scull - Tuesday 6-8 PM and Saturday 7-8:30 AM

Safety – nobody here, will show video before meeting next week.

Social – Terry was assigned as liaison. Learn to Row day June 3rd.

Not a lot of response for scheduled events.

Possible ordering clothes together – was hard to organize.

Boathouse Site committee - Karen in communication with owner of the building across from Vesper in North Chelmsford that presently houses Topline Granite. There were a bunch of questions we need to consider. Foremost is how long of a lease are we interested in, who will be responsible for improvements, can we lease with option to buy. Karen and committee will continue to investigate and meet with owner in February.

Membership meeting on February 14th, (bring the one you love to romantic MRRA meeting for Valentines Day.)

Safety video at 6:30 and 7-8 PM break into working committee to prepare for budget to be presented at the March meeting.

Meeting adjourned. Minutes prepared by Tom Barrington, Secretary