MRRA Board Meeting May 6, 2013

Mark Romanowsky, Jason Holden, John Ballentine, Dottie Semonian, Karen Scammell, Jay Feenan, Dennis McCarthy

Banner Ordered for Boathouse Fence, to Advertise Learn to Row Programs Dottie will pick up and install

Safety: Water Low, may try to mark rocks

Karen brought picture of Rigger Guards to protect boats in house Need old tennis balls: Bungie cords, group to make the guards

Equipment:

Quad in Oklahoma sold before able to pursue Watching listings
Possible test row of Wintech
User agreement with UML, Jason verify (insurance)

Bob Bowen: request 2 midweight Pinerts ready mid September-possibly sooner Heavy weight Vespoli (?) Jason will verify who will order (Name after Paul W) Would invite his family, naming ceremony

Need to write a check to Brain Cancer fund, Paul Wegner from MRRA Will verify amount About \$100

Trial of Wintech? or Vespoli Jay has contact: Sean Wolf

Dave Grigglestone: Wants to take boat out of boathouse from June-August: To lease his space \$50/month, has paid the \$350 Does not want to lose space, so would like to offer to temporary rack individual Thought would offer to K. McGowen, her space currently on rollers on the floor. May need area for 4+/-. One more space on Vee side for a single

Bird Deterrent: Barge, launches are destroying some of the foam/lines. Barges being tied to lines, foam Tangles, removed for Regattas

Membership: 72 members currently

Dottie making sure members are not rowing in paperwork no complete

Programs:

Jody DeCarolis mentioned working on advertising. Not sure where she is with completion.

Junior Programs: Will send poster to Rowing Programs

Jay has access to e-mail lists

If enough interest could potentially offer evening program times

June 1 Learn to Row Day

Karen To Chair will need others to assist Poster advertising, Web Site

Masters Sweep To begin June 15 th

Morning Coached sculling: Advanced 6 members Intermediate group 4 members: room available to join Sweep rowers looking for possible short course to learn to scull.

Open Sweep Women. No current members

Open Mens: Forming: Jason Holden collected paperwork, verified watched safety

video

Festival Regatta:

Sunday, June 23rd Chair: Karen Scammell Co-Chair- JD, John Dwyer

MRRA Event Baseball Caps: For Regatta Chairs

MRRA Logo/ art work OAR on Front "Regatta Staff" on back, offering as incentive

Florescent head bands: Jay will verify vender

Need individual to be Festival Regatta Event Scheduler

Per City of Lowell:

Regattas growing in size

Need increased Police presence on boulevard and on bikes, security

Can be City of Lowell, UML, Environmental Police, DCR Rangers

Need at least one in uniform for Festival, plan at least one or two more.

Environmental Police has not yet responded. Packages sent. Signed by Lowell PD

Orange Safety Cones:

Used for Regattas on Boulevard : Mark the Breakdown lane and move out from Bridge to Boathouse (allows trailer parking)

TRR: Cost last year \$500 a regatta for rental of the cones

Greater Lowell Road Runners have cones will rent for 25 cents per cone.

Cost this year:

Festival \$25/ TRR will cost about \$100.

Portable toilets: Month of May rental fee and cleaning between events:

Then: Zip tie and locks placed by Jay

Parking Permit for the Field: Need to verify for Festival, Jay will verify done

River level down, flash boards being repaired
E-mail sent: Need to confirm, water level will be sufficient
Takes 3 days to increase the water level
Bladder system is under discussion by City. May impact water level for years

Plan to hold May Monthly meeting on the deck if weather permits. Meeting adjourned. .