



BCKC General Meeting: Minutes

November 8, 2006

7:15-9:15 pm Nosella residence (1684 Springer Ave, Burnaby)

Attendees

Jeff Raymond
Satnam Basra
Heide Eden

Dave Nosella
Kamal Basra
Lynn Dagenais

Katja Rademacher
Debbie Wollbaum
John George

Dan Bisalputra
Krista Rasmussen

Discussion

The meeting started at 7:25 PM.

1) Pubnite Fundraiser

- Heide has donation letters ready.
- Satnam has made calls to some of the potential silent auction donors.
- Some companies want requests on letterhead for next year.
- Need help canvassing for donors as well as suggestions for more donors.

Action: Satnam to distribute list of donors that he has contacted as well as those that have yet to be contacted.

- Satnam will ask the club owner to let other patrons know that they can make silent auction bids.
- Would like to sell most tickets in advance to minimize the amount of money that changes hands during the event.
- We should all start contacting our friends and relatives to buy tickets.
- Need about 75-90 people to attend.
- Need to know attendance by November 19.
- Dinner is a buffet this year.
- Will probably toonie-toss for smaller prizes this year, such as a bottle of liquor. More money can be raised by raffling the bigger prizes.
- Satnam can get low-priced junk with blinking lights that can be sold at markup to people who will buy anything.
- Satnam is pretty sure we can exceed our target this year; would like to hold an outdoor event at the lake to raise money as well as the club's profile.
- Dave wanted to know what the money was for. The money is being raised for regatta fees and travel since these items cannot be covered from the lottery fund.
- Krista suggested posting some promotional material at the event. Some of the posters used from past exhibits will be posted at the door.
- BCKC web site has been updated with info about the event.
- Divide up tickets: Satnam-20, Mickey-30, Heide-(making them), Krista-20, divide the rest up among the club.

2) Boathouse Manager / Equipment Repair Team

- We did not designate an equipment manager at the AGM.
- Lynn has offered to take charge of Boathouse Manager duties and will inform the repair team of items that need to be fixed.
- **Action:** Lynn will e-mail Darrel Pearse, Daryl Remmler, and Ben Fast to confirm that they wish to be on the repair team with John George.

3) Coach's Corner

a) November 18 regatta

- Not sure where or if this regatta is going ahead. Not sure if there are enough volunteers, although they managed to "volunteer" Debbie for officiating.
- Expect to have more info by Friday.

b) Winter program

- Will have pavillion on Monday nights for after-paddle workout.
- Development: Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday paddles, Thursday swim.
- Masters: Wednesday noon and Saturdays
- All: Tuesday run & physio. The physio group must be restricted to 10 persons.
- More emphasis on strength this year in addition to fitness.

c) Spring camps

- Possible Gig Harbour training camp. About 10 paddlers from Burnaby and Fort Langley. Need a van, a chaperone and another driver. Although it's a BCKC function, it would be nice to get CKBC's approval to keep things smooth at the provincial level.
- Would like to do something over Easter as well, not necessarily paddling-related.

d) Other items

- Lynn requested permission to restock safety kit: Permission given.
- Some discussion ensued about outfitting the lake platforms with emergency blankets and signalling devices.

Action: John to investigate.

- Lynn would like to stock regatta kit in a big box. Lynn will take responsibility for getting it ready for next year.
- Lynn would also like copies of all registration forms at the club in case of emergencies. Discussion ensued regarding responsibility, privacy, age cutoff, and consent.

Action: John and Lynn to investigate what safety/medical information is required for all athletes and what can be made available to the coach while they are under her care.

4) Options for spring regattas

- Sunday April 22 or Saturday April 28: Possibilities for a long-distance training regatta
- Sunday April 29: Plan to hold school dragon boat regatta (can get pavilion)
- May 5-6 or May 19-20: Looking for a place to hold BC Team trials, 2-6Km one day, 500-1000m other day. Issues:
 - Will have just hosted the dragon boat regatta the previous weekend.
 - Setting up lanes is a huge amount of work, so it would be preferable to host a long distance regatta.

- Would like Seattle and Gig Harbour to attend, but they might not be permitted if it is a BC trials regatta.
- On the other hand, the club should host BC trials again at some point.
- May 12: Fort Langley paddler's classic
- October 13-14: May be attractive to host a fall regatta.

5) Mission Statement

Out of time: mission statement and club goals are to be discussed at next meeting.

JR distributed drafts of potential mission statement and possible goals to kick start discussion at next meeting.

6) General Discussion

a) Dave & Hugh's ideas (concocted during a long road trip)

- Get new safety boat sponsored by Canadian Tire.
- Outboard engine maintenance log and schedule; should make someone responsible.
- Play up the WAR aspect of War Canoe at the high schools.
- Mentoring program for younger kids.
- See if Burnaby Power Squadron will provide volunteers for running safety boats at the dragon boat regatta. This would free up more BCKC volunteers for land duty.
- Set a fixed rate (such as \$0.02/km) for trailer space for other clubs' boats.

b) Web site

- Trying to keep the site up to date and relevant; membership and key forms are available on-site.
- Right side provides up-to-date news.
- Please go to the site and check it out. Send photos to Krista for inclusion in the photo gallery.

7) Next meeting December 6th.

The meeting ended at 9:34 PM