

CLUB MEETING: JAN. 13, 2013
OUTRIGGER SANTA CRUZ BOARD MEETING
Minutes

In attendance:

Dave Loustalot	Dave Dyc	Gayle Bensusan	Amy Waynar
Ruth Romero	Dena Levy	Kay Miyamoto	Denise Louie
Ben Samson	Pam Myers	Jean Bathke	Dan Sweet
Bob Darling			

I CALL TO ORDER 5 p.m.

Pass out sign-up sheet. Review agenda. Welcome all club members

II SECRETARY'S REPORT

Review & approve Dec. Minutes.

- A few members had issues opening the minutes in an attached format. If anyone has trouble accessing the minutes, Pam will resend them to you.
- Kay motion to approve Dec. 2012 minutes, Ruth second, all in favor approve.

III TREASURER'S REPORT

- Bob Darling as new treasurer to continue Kim's method of presenting Board with a monthly report that is current up to the day of the meeting. Refer to budget document.
- Bob reviews a new, simple/rough overview budget projection for 2013 reflecting past year's dues, other income, and expenses. Estimates here for income are conservative, maintenance estimates are generous. Clothing/store expense and sales not included here. \$13,000+ in account not reflected here. Note that Keiki camp is not committed income yet. Forward Bob any additional income/expenses not included. Refer to simple budget doc.
- Ruthie motion to approve treasurer's report, Gayle second. All in favor approve.

IV ON GOING BUSINESS

1. Kudos corner: Thanks to Kay for organizing & cleaning the shed; thanks to all who have bailed canoes, thanks to Dave Dyc for getting iakos to Ralph and for filling tire with air; thanks to Julie N for alerting club of available West Marine grant and to Nis for following up with submitting the application; thanks to Jean for taking minutes.

2. Coaches Corner

- Dave Loustalot reports on men's coaching staff and structure: Dave L is team manager, Daniel Czech is assistant team manager, Dave Waynar and Robert are practice coaches, Ben is strength training, Matt Muirhead is steering coach and stroke coach, Bob Darling is Misc./"jack of all trades".
- Men's race schedule new for 2013: No Catalina or Molokai; new inclusion of Lake Tahoe and Pailolo. Bay Area races as usual; Rig Run only SoCal race, sprints undecided. Focus this year on iron races.

- Women's coaching staff will meet this week to plan, and to decide which races to participate in and how these choices mesh with men's team.
- Men's team to meet/regroup Feb. 9th, and anticipate practices start Feb 23.
- New structure for men's practices: distinguishing between racers and newcomers, and placing accordingly during practices. New paddlers may be directed to rec paddle, with windows open periodically for accepting new paddlers and folding them into regular practices.

3. Equipment

- Dave Dyc reports Maka Nui iakos done tomorrow, doesn't know the price yet, will let Bob know. Ama-side of the iakos had pine lumber that was sucking in moisture and had to be dried, has been replaced with Styrofoam.
- Dave Dyc repaired drain plug on the mirage, and put WD40 on ratchets in shed... need for reg maintenance.
- Dave Dyc note wheels on dollies run crooked and have been going flat due to wear and tear. Discussion: to buy a Quick Jump kit at West Marine and an inflator to keep in shed to re-inflate the tires as needed/frequently. Buying new wheels is expensive. Enough room in shed? Pam will investigate price and report back.
- Pam reports Makani Akua iakos and ama hopefully ready in Feb. Ryan Pogue is working on it/ shop is a bit backed up.
- Bob reports Makani Akua paint is in process, the outside hull has been completed.
- Pam reports Philip requests double hull remain rigged thru Jan. for youth paddlers.

4. Club Store

- Bob- no report for now.
- Kay has a list of T-shirt sizes for youth paddlers, for future order.
- Pam interested to offer grocery/shopping bags with OSC logos in our store, will research costs.

V UPDATES & NEW BUSINESS:

1. Purchasing Club T shirts for youth paddling group & clothing donations
 - Kay is in touch with teacher Dan McGuire. OSC will give club T shirts to the youth paddlers. They will be paid for by the club. Paddle clothing donations from club members: pending discussion between Kay and Dan McGuire.
2. Ocean Stewardship ideas, taking advantage of in house expertise and West Marine Grant info
 - Nise reports its time to renew our agreement with Save Our Shores. Discussion to consider renewal. Cost is \$300/\$400 and we agree to facilitate beach clean-up events. Did we get any OSC signage put up as per agreement last year? Nise will look into it.
 - Dave L motion to renew our agreement with Save Our Shores, Kay second. Vote: all in favor. None oppose.
 - Nise presents idea to have OSC member Meghan speak to club about ocean stewardship;

she is a biologist with sustainable seafood org Fish Wise. Same also for stewardship learning opportunity from OSC member Rikki, a Marine Sanctuary biologist. Discussion: Dave L notes importance of OSC connecting with like-minded organizations for networking opportunities and potential partnerships/sponsorships. This might include sponsors' logos on the trailer, on our website, banners, etc. Bob suggests inviting the harbor master to remind us about safety/rules. Dave L suggests Board present to club a season kick-off event with food and informational speakers, introduce Board and coaches. Will address planning next meeting. Late April?

- Nise reports Julie N. referred us to a West Marine grant for youth; amount \$250 or \$500 gifts certificates for West marine, can be used to outfit Ponderosa school paddlers. These clothes would stay with OSC and our program, the T shirts are separate and would be a gift.
- Nise will look into other grant opportunities and report back.

3. Recommended trailer work: new cradles, check electrical & brakes

- Bob reports we need new cradles. Discussion of aluminum cradles with fire hose instead of wood. We need to check all electrical and lights/signals on trailer. Need for 2nd axel is debatable, but we need new brakes/surge brakes for safety. We need to get an estimate for the work- Bob will talk to Aquarius for a possible referral, Dave Dyc suggests trailer guys on the Westside near Swift.
- Discussion: new trailer design in the future, to accommodate more canoes?

4. Consideration of ama upgrades for both Strykers

- Discussion: the ama rigging increases the quality of the boat, worthwhile upgrade and hull can be addressed in future. Ryan Pogue do the work? If he does it now/soon, it would offset part of delivery fee (note interjected discussion that Jude will be in SC this week and will take our OC1 back to his shop in Sacramento for new cables and iakos.) Estimate for Makani Akua \$1700 with \$450 delivery fee
- Discussion: is the Board interested to share a rack with Matt Muirhead, for when we get Brent's boat? Rack space at a premium.
 - Bob motion to propose to split a rack with Matt Muirhead should he get one. Ruth second, all in favor, none oppose.

5. Funding raising chairperson?

- Discussion: is there a need for fundraising chairperson? Other possibilities: Racing teams fundraise for their own races. Sponsorships/partnerships (logos on the trailer, etc.). Increased income at this year's events. Agreement that we will pursue these avenues for fundraising and table the idea of a chairperson for now. Item off the agenda.

6. Steering & Towing clinics

- Matt's steering clinic this spring- march? Book sold at cost, and (ideally) book's author Steve West will participate/present.
- Towing clinic: critical that we train new people to tow trailer this year. Possibility of renting vehicles to tow trailer, not using personal vehicles. Many clubs do this, incorporate

cost into the cost of the race. Partnerships with rental agencies?? Amy W. will connect with local agencies and report back.

7. Youth group participation in sprint races & Keiki program?

- Youth group in sprints idea has been scratched. Aloha Festival is an option for the youth paddlers' participation.
- Keiki program: Tracy unavailable to lead this year, but is happy to advise. Ruthie will take over the program. Philip is less available this year. Kay will help Ruthie. Note that we may need to get in the Parks and Rec registration well ahead of time.

8. Misc.

- NCOCA insurance: new sites to be added to our policy at no cost: Shared Adventures, Ponderosa High School (we should be listed on their policy as well), and Del Monte Beach House.

Discussion: general need for insurance on club events that include community members and non-NCOCA covered people. (Keiki camp, paddle class) Specific policies with specific dates.

- Bob reports that Dena Levy will assist him with treasury duties.

- Bob Darling moves to propose to add Dena to the list of Board members able to sign on checking account. The list includes and is limited to: the President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Treasurer's Assistant. Amy W. seconds, all vote in favor, none are opposed.

- Pam reports that she/the President needs a copy of the minutes signed by the secretary each month. Need for co-secretary in case of absence?

- Kay motion for Jean Bathke to be new co-secretary. Bob Darling second. All in favor, none oppose.

VI. On Hold: trailer work, lettering the OC2 (Mahina Elua), Steering Certification & steerspersons meeting to review safety

- Kay makes motion to adjourn, Ben seconds. All approve! JB
NEXT MEETING: Feb. 10, 2013