OSC BOARD MEETING: FEB. 9, 2014

I CALL TO ORDER 5 p.m. Pass out sign-up sheet. Review agenda.

II SECRETARY'S REPORT

In attendance

Dena LevyRuth RomeroKay MiyamotoLyona ThibaultNise LouieCat SteeleGayle BensusanDave LoustalotPam MyersBob DarlingLeslie EursKim Chamlin

Jean Bathke

Review & approve Dec. Minutes.

• Ruth moves to approve the December minutes, Kay seconds; all in favor, none oppose

III TREASURER'S REPORT

- Bob presents the ending report for 2013, we're in good shape. \$14,000 available in addition to the safety net/ 6 mos expenses fund. Has collected \$2300 in 2014 membership dues, 35 members paid so far. We have paid the harbor fees and some insurance fees. Will pay for the new wheels this week. Note: Gary who made the wheels has moved to Colorado- we could still make another set and have him ship to us. He is open to feedback and available to make more.
- OSC was approved for a credit card, Bob and Dena each are holding one.
- We've committed to 3 ama and iako sets, will send \$3000 deposit this week.
- OSC Tax return- to be filed in June. Bob will check on that, due dates and further requirements.
- Dena moves to approve the Treasurer's report, Ruth seconds. All approve, none oppose.

IV ON GOING BUSINESS

1. Kudos corner: Thank you 's to the following: Dave Dyc, Kim, Yoko & Alec Sides for removing water from Makani hull & Ho o ama and rigging Ho omaikai; to all who helped at rec paddle, to Kim for setting/sending women's race survey, Bob & Pam for purchasing 2 more quick straps in Kona, to Pam for researching OC 2 repair cost, to Pam & Dave L for attending NCOCA meeting, to Matt for hosting coaches meeting, Bob D. for hosting Dec. board meeting, Lynn, Ruthie, Anne G & Pam for bailing canoes.

2. Coaches Corner

- Dave reports. Coaches had a meeting the month prior, it was a big group with many opinions and ideas. Men's and Women's coaching staff had independent program meetings afterward, and the Women implemented a survey among women racers as well. The overall sense is that the men's and women's teams seem to be on similar tracks. The men have a large enough group this season to focus on an age-based approach to racing; training and racing by age group only (open, masters, senior masters). The men have a shortage of open-aged steerspeople, and are working on cultivating that.
- Kim reports for the Women racers. The women are considering an age-based approach as well. There is an interest in having a similar program for the Women, though the women

have fewer younger racers so it may be more Masters and Senior Masters. Expresses an interest in cultivating a cohesive Men's and Women's program with co-ed paddling; this can be challenging to arrange but is worthwhile when the opportunity is there. Possibility: have some Saturday practices open in the morning to men and women both.

- Mention of men's focus on small boat training. Some women in the survey indicated they'd like a 4th day of training, may be small boat workout?
- Season's focus is on the individual paddler and their desires and individual goals. Each age group has a lead person they report to.
- Upcoming race-wide meeting: need a venue that can accommodate 60 people. Can talk as a large group, then beak away into men's and women's groups. Looking at Sat. 22 or Sun. 23 Feb. Start practice March 1.
- Issue: adding another paddle- in between the rec level and the racer level. Interest exists, there are people who would like to paddle more but can't commit to racing. Needs someone to lead the initiative, a certified steersperson who can be consistent. Kim encourages this idea; there are women in the racing program who would like something intermediate and possibly not racing. Have the program be separate from racing time/racing practice but still have access to some coaching.

Dave: the NCOCA is now offering some short-course race options, not just short for the novice course. An opportunity for middle-ground paddlers to participate.

Next step: identify who is going to lead it and have them create a survey. The Board approves, interested leadership can contact Dave Loustalot for further input.

3. Club Store

• Bob reports we are waiting on a price list for the hats. Allison from Patagonia has been in touch, looking forward to us placing a jersey order. We'll probably do that in March, after the racer meeting and pending a new logo.

V UPDATES & NEW BUSINESS:

- Equipment- Purchase of 3 amas/iako sets. We'll be getting in 6 weeks from Jeff (last name?)
- painting Ho'omaikai: Contact Roger who paints canoes. Kim Chamlin will get in touch with him. We don't have anyone to work on it right now, fixing is on hold. Alex is not getting back in touch with Dave Waynar, so it's on hold for now.
- Kim also will get us more organized for rigging; will stock the bins, take photos, and get clear rigging instructions for each bin.
- Kim also will also get in touch with Homer (Lighthall?) about detailing the Mirage
- The Harbor is installing Astroturf where the canoes are.
- We need a new lock for the shed, with larger numbers.
- canoe covers (yoko's sewing machine): Yes, Yoko wants to do the covers. Cost: \$450 per new cover, for 3 canoes. \$150 to repair her machine.
 - Kay moves that OSC fixes Yoko's machine, Nise seconds, all approve in favor, none

oppose.

- Bob makes a motion to approve purchasing materials for covers at \$1500. Ruth seconds, all approve, none oppose.
- laminated safety cards for each dry bag: Ruth will do.
- Club OC 2 & insurance; discussion of club small canoes. Do we replace the club OC2 or not? Do we have club small boats or not? Discussion on pros, cons, and who's responsible for upkeep. The insurance doesn't pay to repair it. The value of the insured canoe is \$2750 with \$500 deductable. Max insurance will pay is \$2750 if we replace it. If we let it go, they will pay us depreciable value that the insurance company determines. Discussion to replace with OC1, OC1's, or OC2.
- Bob makes a motion to approve purchasing a replacement OC2 with a maximum value of \$3250. Kay seconds. Motion passes, with one vote opposed and one abstained.
- Kim will research boats, and leslies Eurs will check with Rich about possibility of him being responsible for monthly maintenance on small boats and PFD's.
- Discussion: safety and the need for a huli drill and practice. Importance of this safety issue. Tabled for next meeting, agenda item.
- 2. Follow up on Ponderosa kids and possible scholarship program (refinishing paddles & iakos). Kay spoke with Dan, the Ponderosa teacher. Kay would like to set up a scholarship fund (\$200) open to Ponderosa kids as well as keiki camp, other kids too.

Discussion: support for the idea, caution regarding Club spending at this time (many expenses at the moment), ideas about fundraising for special interests and activities. Is this in the scope of our general purpose as a club? Do other NCOCA clubs offer scholarships, and how do they manage (criteria, selection, etc?) Acknowledging our larger relationship with the Ponderosa school and what we get from it.

Kay is willing to fundraise for the program. Issue tabled to next meeting

- 3. Establish a year round fitness paddle as a step between rec and racing? Should we survey? Was there a survey for the men's racers? (see earlier notes from Coaches)
- 4. New Logo designs
- designs submitted. Discussion, opening up the design opportunity to additional designers, with a two week window for new submissions. Talking to excel as well as Patagonia
- 5. Keiki Camp
- Ruth reports Keiki Camp is ready to go, starts August 5.
- 6. Camp Recovery
- Pam: Starts Feb 17, every month to the end of the year, \$400 donation
- 7. Sue Norman Tahoe women's coach request to borrow 2 canoes April 17-20
- Pam will work out dates with her. They will work around our schedule, April 17-22.
- 8. Save our Shores
- Fees are due, \$400 annually. Discussion: we can do beach clean ups on our own, money paid to them is in the spirit of Ocean Stewardship. Maybe we can donate less (we are a non-profit, too). Or pay throughout the year? Nise will look into it and we can vote before the

next meeting via email.

9. Misc.

• Rafting- Guy needs to know dates and who/how many would like to go on a club rafting trip. Discussion, coordinating with racing schedule. Lyona proposes weekend of Aug 9, Friday till Sunday Afternoon.

Bob moves to adjourn, Nise seconds, all in favor.

NEXT MEETING - Sun. April 13 (updated: changed to Sunday, March 30)