

# ROWING SECTION AGM MINUTES

**December 9, 2009**

**Harbour Room at VRC**

AGENDA ITEM	NOTES/ACTION	TIME FRAME	COMMITTEE MEMBER
<b>PROCEDURAL ITEMS</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Meeting called to Order 7:10 pm. Quorum attained with over 60 members in attendance.</li><li>2. Adoption of the Agenda. Motion to adopt by Heather Burt, and seconded by Anna Sloan. Motion carried.</li><li>3. Adoption of previous minutes. Motion to adopt by Peter Klinkow, and seconded by Richard Smithies. Motion carried.</li></ol>		
<b>1. Operational Issues</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. <b>Captain's Report</b> – Paul Harris briefly reviewed the Captain's Report.</li><li>2. <b>Treasurer's Report</b> – Rene Myrand attempted to increase the understandability of the budget by implementing a cash-in/cash-out format rather than using the accrual method. Differences between the 2009 budget and the 2009 year actuals can partially be explained by differences in the allocation of funds between categories. Motion to approve the 2010 budget by Carolyn Thompson and seconded by Karen Imlah. Motion carried.</li></ol>		

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	<p>3. <b>Mandatory Participation Motion</b> – Dimas Craveiro presented his motion regarding mandatory participation motion. He stated the motion was to implement a mandatory participation program in principle only. Details were to be worked out by a committee working under the auspices of the executive committee who would provide recommendations prior to the start of the membership year in April 2010. Examples of other participation programs at other institutions were provided, as well as possible scenarios. Comments by members who had responded to the proposal were also presented by him.</p> <p>Responses from the floor were directed primarily at the issue of adopting a principle rather than adopting a specific motion. Some members were uncomfortable at not having a specific proposal in front of them. Others questioned whether a participation bond from members might not be a grab for revenue. Some members thought the committee should not be directed by the Executive but directed by the membership.</p> <p>Bernie Malach suggested an amendment whereby a committee be struck with the purpose of developing a means of implementing mandatory participation with the input of the membership. The findings of the committee would be presented to the membership at large at an extraordinary general meeting in the New Year. After further discussion, Chris McPherson provided the following amendment:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">That the Vancouver Rowing Club Rowing Section, in principle, implement a mandatory participation program starting in April, 2010; that a committee be struck to work out the details of such a mandatory participation program, such details to be present to and voted upon at an extraordinary general meeting to be held no later than 30 March 2010.</p> <p>Mr. Craveiro accepted the friendly amendment and Keira St. George seconded the motion. The motion carried.</p>		

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<b>2. Election of Executive Committee Members</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Vice-Captain of Operations</b> – For a one-year term, Carolyn Thompson was elected by majority vote.</li> <li>2. <b>Vice-Captain of Membership</b> – For a two-year term, Keira St. George was instated by acclamation.</li> <li>3. <b>Rowing Liaison</b> – For a two-year term, Nick Nagy was instated by acclamation.</li> <li>4. <b>Treasurer</b> – For a two-year term, Tanya Bennett was elected by majority vote. Ms. Bennett will double check whether there is a conflict of interest between her accounting firm and the VRC.</li> <li>5. <b>Secretary</b> – For a one-year term, Anna Sloan was instated by acclamation.</li> <li>6. <b>Equipment Manager</b> – For a two-year term, Dianne Burgess was instated by acclamation.</li> </ol>	<b>Dec 31<sup>st</sup> 09</b>	<b>Bennett</b>
<b>ADJOURNMENT</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Motion to adjourn made by Carolyn Thompson and seconded by Joanne McMartin at 9:10 pm. Motion carried.</li> </ol>		