

Ontario Adventure Rowing Meeting, 9:00am, May 9th, 2020 – via “Zoom”

Attendance: Peter & Elaine Bursztyrn, Arnold, Homam, Donna, Diana, Shannon, Shelagh, Peter J., Richard, Brian, Cynthia

1. Outstanding items – *equipment list not yet compiled; no need to file income tax; communications committee got started to post touring photos & update website connect with clubs, migrating content from old website, etc; signing subscribers to newsletter – not-for-profits have leave to sign up folk with few restrictions; JC Marley agreed to step off OAR Board; Lisa Roddie to communicate with Pete B re: contact sailing clubs – **Pete waiting***
2. Fee review resolutions – see below
3. Re-opening rowing: Row Ontario Town Hall (Brian) – *RCA and OAR will take their lead from provincial public health authorities; rowing authorities may create guidelines on equipment sanitization, singles probably first, tours likely to be last*
4. Roles and responsibilities – *general responsibilities now on the Board List; **Richard to detail “responsibilities”** President to attend RowOntario meetings or appoint an alternate
Richard nominated President – approved
Cynthia nominated Secretary – approved
Donna nominated Treasurer – approved*
5. Strategic issues:
Possible second mobile touring centre – *Ottawa trailer (at ONEC) might be designated mobile touring centre Peterborough Rowing Club possible participation (Arnold) – might be a candidate touring centre location with 2 rarely used T-11s, Kitchener RC is dissolving & disposing of their boats – might have a T-11; we might retrieve the Florida boat*
Possible coastal boat touring centre or trailer – *need a design; Pete B will try to get the blueprints for the Australian design (& supply existing photos); Pete J to try for a design too*
Other – *current meetings easy because so many folk are home; future meetings might occur quarterly*
6. Other business – *future meetings to be quarterly*
7. Next meeting(s) – *next meeting must be as soon as we understand that rowing can resume to confirm or abandon the next tour: **next meeting May 23rd***

Resolution # 1 – Paying for wear and tear on the vehicle of the Mobile Touring Centre (MTC) driver

Recognising drivers of the mobile touring centre trailer must pay for wear & tear on their vehicle, **It is proposed:**

- The owner of each vehicle which is used for towing OAR equipment record the number of km vehicles towing OAR equipment during the 2020 season, all future seasons and send the total number of km to the OAR Treasurer at season's end.
 - The OAR Treasurer, on receipt of the documentation, will compensate the vehicle owner for wear and tear to the tune of \$0.15/km.
- Note on Resolution # 1 – Based on estimated mileage for 10 tours, the proposal would cost around \$750 a year.

Propose to increase from \$0.15/km to \$0.30/km: 6 in favour, 2 against, 3 abstentions, and treasurer pays individuals doing the towing at year end out of the seat fees – carried by majority vote.

Resolution # 2 – OAR Emergency Relief Measure to Members

Recognising that OAR will offer fewer tours to Club & individual members, & that the COVID-19 pandemic has hit everyone hard,

It is proposed that:

The Club and individual membership fees be reduced by 25% for 2020 to be as follows:

- \$75 for Club members (reduced from \$100) – suggestion that fees remain & clubs may ask for relief
- \$60 for individual members (reduced from \$80).

Clubs in particularly tough situation can get further relief if they ask for it.

Donna moves fees remain the same but willing to reduce if need – unanimous

Resolution # 3 – Rental OAR-owned boats rented by Clubs

Recognising that the rowing season and Club revenues will be reduced due to COVID-19:

It is proposed that:

The boat rental fees for 2020 be proportional to the length of the rowing season according to the following formula:

- The normal rental fee will be multiplied by the number of complete months that could be rowed out of 6 (May to October), with a minimum rent set at 1/6.

Boat rental fees for 2020 will be prorated to the duration (complete or partial month) of the rowing season this year – unanimous

Resolution # 4 – Longer term rental fees for the Mobile Touring Centre

Recognising that OAR has not increased longer term rental rates for some time:

It is proposed that:

OAR increases the 5-day rental for a coxed quad to \$500 (one free day) and the 7-day rental cost to \$625 (two free days),
. . . and for an OAR double, \$200 for 5 days and \$250 for 7 days

Diana proposed, Cynthia 2nd – unanimous.