

# CORA EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES

**WEDNESDAY April 2 2014**

**Present** - Gralin, Paul, Cindy, Graeme, Nikki, Rob, Carmen

8:00pm Meeting called to order. Minutes of last meeting approved (Cindy, Rob 2<sup>nd</sup>)

**Sprint Report** – Paul reported on the Sprint race recently held at VYPC. Acknowledged the challenges of setting up a complete sprint course. Seventeen crews were in attendance to race 250, 500, & 1000 meter events. Wake up the Gorge and Nationals still to come. Rob advised that Donna is in the process of arranging boats for nationals.

**CORA Membership** – (Cindy) To date: 876 individual memberships have been received, all but 7 clubs have renewed. Cindy has sent emails reminding clubs that forms & fees are now due.

**Finance & Budget** - (Rob) Financials presented. GIC's are maturing and questions raised as to what should be done with the funds in our cash account. It was agreed to re-invest some of the funds into a GIC.

**Action Item: Rob to recommend an amount to be re-invested into a GIC.**

**Communications & Website** - (Paul & Graeme) Huli video has been added to the Facebook page. Caching issues in relation to on line membership renewal seem to have been resolved. Discussion regarding the amount of spams being received, though not making it to the website, Graeme says it is considerable at the administrative end. Cindy requested CORA Cup rules be reposted on the website by May.

**Action Item: Paul to contact Colleen re spam filtering**

**Action Item: Nikki to provide outline of CORA Cup rules for posting on website**

**Grants & Clinics** – (Cindy) Clinic grant approved for Powel River. Received RME grant inquiry from Kelowna. Current Coaching Course opportunities need to be re-posted.

**Action Item: Paul to post ELCC & NCCP links on facebook for upcoming coaching clinics.**

**Short Term Development/Videos** – (Cindy) FCRC will amend Lashing video with photos of alternative methods. First three videos (Bailing, Huli, Ama Lashing) have been completed by FCRC Ladies. A small amount of the funds originally budgeted remain. We will seek input from the FC Ladies as to what they may be able to produce with the remaining funds.

**Long Term Development** - (Cindy, James) Tabled

**CORA By-Laws** – (Carmen) Waiting on Martha (lawyer) to complete changes and re-submit to Industry Canada for Final approval

**Novice Racing & Juniors Cup** – (Cindy & Rob) Discussions still, on how to proceed.

Action Item: Cindy & Rob to draft an expression of interest, which will be distributed to clubs

**School Group Outings-** (Cindy) Feedback from the board was almost unanimous that CORA should not proceed forward with developing any policies regarding this topic. It was felt that the liability too great and CORA lacks the infrastructure *at this time* to be able to oversee such activities by member clubs.

Action Item: Cindy to formulate alternative suggestions for clubs

**New Business** – (James via Cindy) Question was raised regarding drafting in small boat races and what policies may be instituted in order to retain fair competition. Possible rule changes may include: legal only to draft on craft of same class, possible staggered starts.

Action Item: Cindy to contact Boyd (PNWORCA) to see if we can work together for a resolution

**Adjournment** – 8:57 PM

**Next Meeting – Wednesday, May 7 2014 8:00 PM**