



**CORA Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday July 6, 2016  
7:00 PM PDT (8:00 PM MDT)**

1. Welcome and Roll Call

**Attendees:** Gralin Doubleday, Rob Varnel, Kristine Malmqvist, Lynda Roberts, Leanne Stanley, Graeme Galves, Paul Pilon, Marianne Pilon, James Hill, Ron Chin

**Absent:** Don Mulhall

2. Adoption of Minutes

- a. April Regular Board Meeting **moved by Gralin and seconded by Graeme to accept. Approved.**

3. Confirmation of Agenda/Add New items

New items as noted

4. Standing Items

- a. Sprint Director & IVF Representative Update – Lynda

Gibsons Time Trials will have a bout 70 people with additional signing up, many of them older 60's and 70's. Minimum standards have been set such as must be able to self-rescue and do 10km OC in under 75 minutes. Tahiti's website is up for 2017 and 2018, **Paul will provide a link to this on the website and Facebook.**

- b. Financials/Treasurer Update – Rob

Three months of financials were sent to the board for review. In July there is a GIC coming due to roll over and another on due in August. **Moved by Gralin and seconded by Ron that these investments are reinvested into GICs again once they mature, APPROVED.**

Funds need to be dedicated to 2017 sprints, this will be discussed in August at the face to face meeting.

c. Membership Updates – Gralin

Most memberships are up to date, the last few will be contacted one more time by Gralin. Toronto Sailing Club did send an email notifying that they were disbanding, this will need to be updated on the web site, Action: **Gralin & Paul**. If any members have signed up under a club that is no longer in existence, these members should be unaffiliated, Action: **Gralin**.

New club from Prince Rupert, **Rob** will follow up as this is very recent; another new potential club from Montreal who contacted Rob; both of these new club will need to be approved by the board. The website currently accepts new member clubs online, this should be changed to require a physical form to be mailed in, **Paul** will follow up with Colleen.

d. Grant Updates – Ron

**Lotus applied for a RME grant for an Automated External Defibrillator (AED), Ron moved Gralin seconded - APPROVED.** Lotus also applied to host a clinic to teach people CPR and the proper use of the AED; It was decided that the clinic wasn't clearly "related to the sport of outrigger canoe racing" and would be rejected at this time, but if at the end of the year there are funds in the clinic budget, we would reconsider at that time.

Graeme noted that DragonZone was considering hosting a women's only steering clinic (no clinic grant application has been received) and enquired whether CORA would support such a clinic. The Board members understood the rationale for such a clinic (to encourage more women steers), but were of the view that there wouldn't be significant differences between steering techniques for women and men, and such a clinic would conflict with CORA's policy that all CORA-sponsored clinics must be open to all CORA members. As a result, such a clinic would not be eligible for a CORA Clinic Grant. The Board suggested that DragonZone could heavily promote a steering clinic among women paddlers, without restrictions on registrants.

5. Review/Updates of Outstanding Action items

a. Drafting issues pilot implementation progress – Don

Defer to next month.

b. CORA Long Distance rules rewrite update – Gralin

It may be too late in the race season to post an update, **Gralin will send out the current state of the rules rewrite for the board to review.**

c. New CORA Cup awards – Graeme

Decals appropriate for framing or applying to an OC6 were sourced, cost at most would not exceed \$450. **Graeme is completing this item for presentation in August in Gibsons.**

d. Peter Forand Memorial Recognition – Rob \*as a reminder for action in the fall Ongoing.

e. PNWORCA Boat numbers – Gralin

Deferred to next meeting.

f. Face to Face Meeting for 2016 – Kristine

Date – August 13 Saturday night in Gibsons during nationals.

Focus areas – what does committing to the board mean, CORA cup & paddlers shifting to shorter races, attracting new participants to the sport, coaching. Kristine to send out a reminder about this regarding a facilitator for the discussion.

#### 6. New Business

a. Gorge Race has changed to downwind and may adjust the schedule to accommodate the best weather conditions on the Saturday or Sunday. **Paul will post a note and a link to the race website on Facebook and the website.**

b. Potential steers clinic for women by Dragon Zone. CORA's policy is that grants for clinics need to be open to all members, CORA does encourage everyone to learn new skills.

c. Trailer space shortage on the lower mainland – clubs are encouraged to share trailer space where possible to make sure participation is high. This could be discussed face to face in Gibsons.

Meeting adjourned at 8:13 PST

**Next Meeting – Wednesday, August 3, 2016, 7:00 PM PST (8:00 PM MDT)**