

Date: August 2, 2016

2016 MINUTES
8TH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MICHIGAN ROWING ASSOCIATION
HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 2, 2016, 9:00 P.M. - 9:50 P.M.
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Attendance: **Patrick Finn**
Josh Damm
Tony Sifuentes
Ian Gilbertson
Ted Matherly
Stephen Lanham

M8.1 Call to Order, Opening Remarks Ian

M8.2 Adoption of Agenda

Prior to the meeting, the agenda is set as follows:

- A. President's Update
- B. Fundraising update
- C. Peszek Update
- D. MRA in HOCA
- E. MRA Board Submissions
- F. 40th Anniversary planning
- G. Other

M8.3 Next Meeting

M8.2 A President's Update Patrick

Nothing to report this month

M8.2 B Fundraising update Josh

Updates: Balance data is below

MRA Account (Operations): \$53,940.54

FOMC Account (Fundraising): N/A

Gift Account: N/A

Josh sent out the 2Q totals last week. As of right now, we have raised \$53,940.54 right now, but this includes a \$30,000 donation from the Morris Family. Taking that into account, we are right on track to date with last year's record breaking year. Overall, fundraising is progressing well so far for FY2016. Incentive gifts for FY2015 should ship shortly.

M8.2 C Peszek Update Josh

Michigan Rowing alum Tom Peszek has been selected to represent the USA in the M2+ at World Championships in Rotterdam, Netherlands, starting August 21st, 2016. Unfortunately USRowing does not fund this, leaving it up to the athletes to cover the costs. Tom has created a fundraising page and the Board discussed how we could help. We have decided to forward the link out to the Alumni database to help drive traffic to the site.

M8.2 D MRA in HO CR

Ian

Josh Getz reached out to MRA wondering if he would be able to row under the MRA name in the Head of the Charles this year. He will be competing in the Lightweight 1x. We have communicated to Josh that would be fine and wish him luck!

M8.2 E MRA Board Submissions

Ian

The next round of MRA Board members who are up for reelection is coming due. In the next few weeks, Ian will send out a notification asking for nominations. Following a 30 day period looking for nominations, a 30 day electronic election will be held. Current Board members up for reelection are Josh Damm, Patrick Finn, Jon Miller, and Ted Matherly.

M8.2 F 40th Anniversary planning

Tony / All

Planning for the 40th Anniversary continued to progress. The idea was raised about hosting / providing details on an “alumni row-out” at the boathouse, which seemed to be well received. MRA will likely communicate these details for the Saturday morning of the weekend. Tony has also confirmed that E. Royster Harper has verified she is available and will be a keynote speaker for the event.

The Silent auction is also coming along. Stephen received positive feedback from alumni when we polled for donations via email. Several large donations have been received. We are currently assessing the possibility of performing a live silent auction functionality to allow for bids from those who are unable to make it or not geographically present. More research is required for this option.

M8.2 G Other

All

None

M8.3 Next Meeting

September 6, 2016