

Date: December 2, 2015

2015 MINUTES
12TH MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MICHIGAN ROWING ASSOCIATION
HELD ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2015, 9:00 P.M.- 10:10 P.M.
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Attendance: **Patrick Finn**
Tony Sifuentes
Ian Gilbertson
Ted Matherly
Jon Miller
Wesley Vear
Jacob Siddall

M12.1 Call to Order, Opening Remarks Ian

M12.2 Adoption of Agenda

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

- A. President's Update
- B. Fundraising Update
- C. Josh Getz Email
- D. Other

M12.3 Next Meeting

M12.2 A President's Update Patrick

Update: The team is about to enter the winter training cycle and is adjusting to some logistical challenges around the Coliseum. One issue that has come up between UMRT, the Athletic Department, and Rec Sports is how Rec Sports brands its club teams. The Athletic department would prefer that all non-athletic department teams have the word "Club" within the official title. UMRT believes that would hamper the competitiveness of the squad as they look to recruit top tier athletes. Negotiations are currently ongoing.

M12.2 B Fundraising Update Josh

Updates: Balance data is below
MRA Account (Operations): N/A
FOMC Account (Fundraising): N/A
Gift Account: N/A

M12.2 C Josh Getz Email Ian

Update: Josh Getz (UMRT 2012) reached out to the MRA board with the following request:

To the MRA Board,
For those of you who don't know me, I was in the class of

2012 and have been pursuing elite rowing since graduation. I've had some luck making the US lightweight 8+ twice, but in the fall of 2014 I was cut from the elite group training in OKC and have since been training on my own. I spent a brief period at California Rowing Club in SF before moving to Bellingham, WA - North of Seattle to train with Carlos Dinares. It's been a much different training atmosphere here relative to anything I've done before, mainly because often times it's just myself, or myself and Carlos training. Since it's primarily a solo endeavor, I had to find a boat, which I was able to do with the help of a few investors who lent me the capital I needed. But I need to sell the boat as soon as I'm done with it to pay those people back, which is why I'm writing this email. If any of you are interested in getting a boat, or know someone who might be, this is a pretty good deal. I'll be selling the boat along with a set of new med-flex C2 skinny oars for \$8,600. The boat is a brand new (as in it's currently being shipped to me from the factory) Hudson Great white S1.21 (145 - 175lb crew weight). New, this would cost a little over \$10,000 and by the time you get it, it'll only have 8 months of use...I should be done with it by September at the latest. I'd likely be able to get the boat to you free of charge.

After discussing the situation, the Board decided to steer Josh toward the row2k.com classified section as we believed he would have more success pursuing that avenue

M12.2 D Other

All

Update: MRA is working to plan an event to commemorate the 40th anniversary of the Michigan Rowing Team next year. Tony Sifuentes volunteered to help coordinate with the teams current Officers and plan an event. More to come.

M2.3 Next Meeting

January 13, 2016