

RCBC General Membership Meeting 2/12/25

Please refer to the slideshow presentation for more information about this meeting.

Meeting was called to order at by Sherry Noud at 7:31 PM

- **Andy Jimmo the Director of Student Activities introduced himself and said he was available to answer any questions.**
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- Sponsors were introduced (see slideshow.) **Kate Mattiice mentioned that the banner was unveiled. A t-shirt order will be available soon with the sponsors and names of the rowers.** More information to come soon.
- Board members were introduced.
- **The Regatta Schedule was displayed** (with parking information.) Please see the slideshow.
- **Coach Vargas, Program Director Update:** water practice is starting on Feb 22, 2025 for a novice orientation to the boathouse and weekdays starting Feb 24, 2025
- **Coach Vargas stressed the importance of rowers communicating their attendance with their coaches.**
- **Carla Bissonette, VASRA Volunteer Coordinator** shared (see slideshow.) She stressed that we have 55 volunteer positions to fill. She will be sharing the sign up genius via slack soon. All the job descriptions will be posted on the slideshow. The deadline for the signup genius is Mar 11, 2025 . She shared that volunteers are allowed to park at Sandy Run and should get there early. Please message her on slack if you have any questions. VASRA expects the sign up genius to be finalized.
- Karena Carlson was announced as a referee candidate. Emily F. was announced as our finish line representative.
- **Carpool update: We are changing to a pod system.** This is a model that is in place for other schools that don't use the buses. About 63 families have responded to the survey. The survey must be completed by 2/14. Please see the email and slideshow for more information. There will be a pool for backup drivers.
 - Q: Will the point system change?
 - A: Carpool is not part of the membership obligation, but backup drivers can get points. (1 point per trip.)

- **Brandon Booher shared the budget update.** We are halfway through the fiscal year. Fundraising is on track, but the majority of our expenses are yet to come. The budget is posted on the RCBC website. There is a push for continuing fundraising, especially at the Ergathon and through RaiseRight.
- **Fundraising Night on 2/17 at Five Guys** was announced.
- **VASRA has parted ways with US Rowing.** Robinson Crew has secured liability insurance through a different company. More information about US Rowing membership will come soon if any post season regattas require a membership.
- **Ellen Valentine, VP for Administration Update:** Rowers and families are encouraged to continue to check the tracker to meet their \$200 per rower fundraising goal. Families are required to get 7 volunteer points. The tracker is posted on Slack. (See slideshow.) If a discrepancy is found, please reach out to Ellen via slack.
- RaiseRight will close on April 15 to count towards this season's points. This will be announced on Slack.
- **Tag Day was a huge success thanks to Diane DiPietro.**
- **Please return the digital signed Code of Conduct from the Handbook on the website to Sherry Noud by the start of water practice. Look on the documents page on the website.**
- **Upcoming events (see slideshow and QuickCatch)**
- **The next General Membership meeting will be on 3/12 at 7:30. It is currently scheduled to be virtual.**
- **Pasta Night and Senior Night:**
 - **Pasta Dinner: March 28, 2025**
 - **Pasta Dinner: May 2, 2025 (Senior Night)**
 - **End of Year Banquet (TBD by School)**
- **Saturday Practices: Womens 8-10:30 and Men's team earlier. It will be officially announced on Slack.**
- **We will be announcing the need for a Stotesbury Planning Committee.**

8:39 PM Meeting is adjourned.

