



BBOP Board MEETING MINUTES

Date: June 5, 2022

Time: 5:00 pm

Location: Zoom Video Conf

<https://www-edu.zoom.us/j/3127615206>

Our mission is to promote and perpetuate the sport and culture of outrigger canoe paddling in our community and throughout the Pacific Northwest. Our strength as a club is not only found on the water, but in our community.

Executive Board:	Meeting Date:	2-6-22	3-6-22	4-3-22	5-1-22	6-5-22
President	Blanche Bybee	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Vice President	Regan Levinson	✓	✓	✓	exc	✓
Secretary	Janice Lapsansky	✓	✓	✓	exc	✓
Treasurer	Sue DeBari	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Communications Director	Caroline Abbott	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Appointed Members:

Head Coach	Kelly Abbott	✓	✓	✓	exc	✓
Equipment Manager	Ernie MacQuarrie	exc	exc	✓		
Safety Coordinator	Barb Craig	exc	✓	exc	✓	✓
Racing Coordinators	Lane A. & Dense D.	exc	exc	exc		
Membership Coordinator	Dawn Anderson	exc	exc	exc	rpt	rpt
TeamSnap Coordinator	Paul Reavley	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
New Paddler Coordinator	Terry Kaemingk	exc	✓	exc	✓	exc
Fundraising Coordinator	??					

Guest(s):

- I. **Call to Order:** President Blanche called meeting to order at 1702
- II. **Review/Approval of Meeting Minutes:** April 3, 2022 (tabled) and May 1, 2022.
Motion (Caroline) to approve April 3rd minutes; **Seconded** (Sue). April 3rd minutes **approved**. **Motion** (Sue) to approve May 1st minutes; **Seconded** (Blanche). May 1st minutes **approved**.
- III. **Order of Business (sequence subject to change):**
 - A. **Reports of Officers and Coordinators**
 - **Membership: (Dawn)** Completed Registrations as of May 31: 128; Membership Fees collected in May \$990 (N=19) (Total for season \$15,640); Donations (included in fees - collected) \$50 (#2) \$1,350 (#15)
Guest paddlers who joined BBOP: 1 in May; 9 Total (2022)
 - **TeamSnap: (Paul)** Keiki parents had some problems using the phone app. Paul helped resolve the issue. Do we need to have a special session for Keiki coaches and parents since the season participation tends to start later? Some disconnect between early registration decisions/procedures and later when



most keiki registered; keiki and family registration is the most challenging. Issues may be resolved by planning a full membership meeting and completely filled Board positions (which was not the case at the start of 2022 season). Additionally, Keiki coaches are encouraged to participate in Board meetings/read meeting minutes to stay informed.

- **Treasurer: (Sue)** Good account balances; new membership fees have increased our checking account balance and are covering expenses. Small donations also came in. D&O insurance paid. BBOP race insurance and rental fee from CBC coming due. **Sue** will send Ernie an update on available funds in the Maintenance budget.
- **Communications: (Caroline)** June 8th event at Cruise Terminal (**Caroline** and **Paul** will host the BBOP table). **Caroline** will develop flyers and hang BBOP banner.
- **Equipment: (Ernie)** Manahau rubber straps are deteriorating - looking at alternatives, stay tuned...Kelly has replaced the missing plug on our UL; Ernie will find additional replacements. UL footrest washer missing - replaced. Ernie is putting together a spare parts package for UL hardware. Our new canoe has 5 new "Band-Aid tapes" applied that cover blisters or damage to surface. Ernie will investigate. Squeaky cart axles will be greased and tires pumped up this week. Inside of canoes getting slimy - maintenance crew will do a scrub-up. Shimming study of Lanakila will start soon...
- **Safety: (Barb)** Announced at rec practices this week, huli practice will take place at the end of regular practices. Bring extra clothes all month. List of those who need to complete this practice is available under Tracking in TeamSnap. Coaches should email Barb with the names of members who complete huli drill. Barb will email the entire club with huli instructions. Clips with ropes added in the Manahau for bailers. Special thanks to Barb for dealing with COVID issues. Discussion regarding keiki wearing masks in canoes while paddling. This was strongly discouraged in the early guidelines regarding water sports. Blanche will discuss with Jill the Board decision that if parents feel their child should wear a mask, they should not paddle.
- **Racing:** N/A
- **Head Coach: (Kelly)** Practices are going well; often 4 canoes go out. Some returning faces - exciting. Good teamwork; feeling like a well-oiled machine in the CBC yard. Developing crews for upcoming races in June and July. "Teams" coaches will meet tomorrow for continued coordination and practice development. Mini-workshops have been well-received.
- **New Paddler:** Next Demo Day June 11th. **Caroline** will check with Angie to see if she needs any help.
- **Fundraising:** Lake Padden Triathlon is on June 25th. We have a signed contract to provide 10 volunteers in two shifts (morning and afternoon).



Regan will contact Lance and recruit volunteers. **Caroline** will post on the website.

B. New Action Item/s

- Progress on Huli drill requirement (due by end of June) – see Safety report
- **Blanche** will follow-up with Ernie:
 - Discuss need for wider rubber straps for rigging Manahau (tabled from 5-1-22)
 - Request for deck friction paint/strips to improve footing in Manahau.

C. Continuing Action Item/s:

- Approve Traditional Territories Acknowledgement. Suggestions and invitation for continued work on statement from Katrice Rodriguez from the cultural committee of the Nooksack tribe. Thank you for making this contact Regan! Our purpose is to both express our gratitude and educate our paddling community. **Regan** will continue to work with Katrice/Nooksack Cultural Committee. **See Addendum**
- Trailer care and use – **Caroline** and **Janice** will follow-up with Gary.
- Opportunities for volunteers: Maintenance, Lk Padden Tri, BBOP Classic, fundraising
- Report on follow-up regarding whether the Manahau “fits the bill” for a multi-purpose OC6 for the club.
- Fundraising proposal/budget request: T-shirt prototype in the works. Matt Stodolo has offered his online “promotional store” for selling swag. **Caroline** will help coordinate.

IV. Executive Session: N/A

V. Laulima: N/A

VI. Good of the Order: Blanche will be paddling the month of August and unavailable, other Board members will also be out of town. An emergency procedure will be decided at the July Board meeting.

VII. Adjournment and Next meeting: Meeting adjourned at 1822 by Blanche. **Blanche** will send out a poll to determine the date of our July Board meeting.

Addendum (6/8/22):

Motion (Regan) on 6/7/22 via email to approve the BBOP Traditional Territories Acknowledgement (text pasted below), following the incorporation of feedback from the Nooksack Cultural Committee. **Seconded** (Janice). **Motion passes** (vote via email).

“We acknowledge that we gather on the unceded territories of the Coast Salish Peoples, who have lived in the Salish Sea basin, throughout the San Juan Islands and the North Cascades watershed and paddled its



waters from time immemorial. We express our deep gratitude for the first people, our Indigenous neighbors, the Lummi Nation and Nooksack people, past, present, and future, for their enduring care and protection of our shared lands and waterways. In recognizing the first people of this area, we honor their legacy, lives, descendants, resiliency and culture in all that we do on their ancestral and traditional land and waters.”

(added on race day) “While we celebrate the beauty of community and competition at our race today, please join me in expressing our deepest gratitude for the stewardship and sacrifice of our Indigenous neighbors, the first people.”

MEETING NORMS:

General Interactions:

- Presume positive intentions from all board members (everyone is working for the best interests of the club and its members).
- We are all here because we love the club.
- Exchange information and ideas in a productive and open way without judgement or presumption.
- Approach all issues as a cohesive team.
- Diverse perspectives yield the best results.
- Listen actively to understand from elected and appointed board members equally.
- Listen without judgement.

Respect people's time:

- Respect other board members' time when not in a meeting and try to keep emails from getting out of control.
- Come prepared to meetings by reviewing appropriate documents and considering agenda items.

Differences of opinion will occur:

- Listen to understand.
- Speak your ideas even if uncomfortable. If there are disagreements, make sure criticism is of ideas, not of person.
- Rather than "agree to disagree" talk out the differing view points, find common ground.
- Be open to the idea that a consensus decision might be better than the one you had on your own.