



BBOP Board MEETING MINUTES

Date: June 11, 2023

Time: 5:00 pm

Location: Blanche's house
2514 Elizabeth St, Bham

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:		Term:	1-8-23	2-5-23	3-5-23	5/7/23	6/11/23
President	Blanche Bybee	2023/24	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Vice President	Regan Levinson	2022/23	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Secretary	Janice Lapsansky	2022/23	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Treasurer	Sacha Bliese	2023/24	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Comm Director	Gavin McWilliams	2023/24	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Appointed Members:

Head Coach	Kelly Abbott	2023/24	✓	✓	exc/rpt	✓	✓
Equipment Coord	Ernie MacQuarrie/ Matt Stodola	2022/23		exc	exc	exc	
Safety Coordinator	Barb Craig	2022/23			exc	✓	✓
Racing Coordinators	Lane A. & Denise D.	2022/23					
Membership Coord	Dawn Anderson	2022/23	rpt	rpt	rpt	rpt	rpt
TeamSnap Coord	Jessamyn Tuttle	2022/23	✓	✓	✓	✓	rpt
New Paddler Coord	Terry Kaemingk/ Kim Wiley	2022/23	✓	✓	✓	rpt	rpt
Fundraising Coord	Erin Lapsansky	2023/24		✓	exc	rpt	rpt
Race Director	Janice Lapsansky	2023/24	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

(rpt= report; exc=excused)

Guests: Bryan Rust, Exec Dir CBC; Deb Dempsey (founding member of CBC)

- I. **Call to Order:** Meeting called to order by Blanche at 17:09
- II. **Review/Approval of Meeting Minutes (5/7/23):** Motion (Blanche) to approve the meeting minutes; seconded (Gavin). Approved unanimously.
- III. **Order of Business (*sequence subject to change*):**
 - A. **Introductions**
 - B. **Review View the BBOP annual calendar in the Google drive [here](#).**
 - i. July DEMO day will likely be moved to July 15th because 3 canoes will be gone for the Gorge race. Blanche will check with Angie.
 - C. **Reports of Officers and Coordinators**
 - i. **Safety (Barb):** Folks need to complete huli practice before the end of June (and before upcoming big races). Paddle order should be shipping by the end of the month. 22 people completed the CPR class.
 - ii. **Treasurer (Sacha):** Total assets \$35,864.77, most from new memberships. Sacha will prepare a year to date budget analysis for July meeting.



- i. **Maintenance (Ernie/Matt):** Blanche reported that Matt and Ernie (who returned last Friday!) will be working together on maintenance issues. Will work with Chris Baker on the paint issues on Manahao. Carts need maintenance and repair. Blanche will ask about mail receptacle.
- ii. **Membership (Dawn/Terry/Jessamyn/Kim):** BBOP total completed **Registrations** on June 10: **145**, Total Fees collected: \$18,561. "Set Multiple" button continues to confuse people. TeamSnap says the only way to fix it is to change each date, one by one. Some issues with TeamSnap appear to be due to ad-blockers. There may be a way to create a single sign up for both teams (Comp/Rec and Keiki) for events like bioluminescence paddle and ohana day. Many new members in the past month. The Board will look at years of paddling experience to see what effect that might have on whether they joined the club.
- iii. **Communications (Gavin):** Good feedback about SM posts from clubs and others around the world. Ohana day was a success. Full website review in process. BBOP Classic promotion will begin ~July 15th.
- iv. **Head Coach (Kelly):** Good day with a great turnout (BBOP raced in ~25 events) at the Silver Lake sprint regatta. Lots of firsts! Rooster Rock race (2 crews in ULs) June 24/25. Gorge race July 9th. Zamboanga requested to rent a canoe again. One crew selected to race at Kona (Sept). Additional practices are scheduled for the Kona crew. Competitive practices are going well and very well attended. May extend practice time (end at 7:30) to accommodate the launching and return of 4 canoes.
- v. **Fundraising (Erin):** Team store open. Need more! donations for FunDrive. Pint night to be scheduled at Kulshan 1 on July 20th. Plan for Va'a expedition race game or Bingo.
- vi. **Race Director (Janice):** Informal subcommittees formed to help plan the beer garden, games, food, and logistics. 2023 will be added to the award glasses. Port will allow trailer parking in the ferry line-up. Request funds for kids prizes and gifts for volunteers/safety boats. Still searching for at least one more safety boat. Need to get the race flyer together by July 15th.
 - Board authorizes an order of BBOP Ohana beer mugs as gifts for safety boats and other important supporters (30).

D. New Action Item/s

- i. [CBC Wheelhouse Campaign](#) (Guest: Bryan Rust, Exec. Dir.) CBC is about access to the water for all. The campus serves almost 3 times the number of people since 2021, growing most rapidly in community



enrichment program, e.g. veterans, Bronze Chapter (serving BIPOC), Latinx youth (Vamos Outdoors Project), etc. Enormous potential for the future. This is about community health; outdoor recreation benefits mental health.

- Concerns about physical access to the water at the CBC. Pocket beach will be developed with a gangway for human-powered boat launching and a dock. Additional footprint toward the USCG to accommodate new building. Some shuffling of boats on limited real estate but canoes are in a stable situation.
- Future teaching space, 6 shower/changing rooms and restrooms will be available for use, especially in the shoulder season, e.g. school outdoor learning. Expect to break ground in October 2023 and be open next April 2024. Request that stakeholders (e.g. BBOP) be challenged to raise funds for the Capital Campaign.
 - a. NAMI? Outdoors for all? Special Olympics? Refineries? Who's employers match donations? Corporate team-building outings?
 - b. CBC is interested in finding a pathway into the competitive paddling world.
 - c. Can share about 70 contacts with veterans for outreach. Mondays can accommodate a program with BBQ afterward.
- Board will form an Ad Hoc committee to develop a plan to support the CBC Capital campaign. Greg K, Kristine, and Astrid are on the CBC's capital campaign committee.
- ii. Military Family Membership category discussed. Further discussion TABLED until the fall.

E. Continuing Action Item/s:

- i. Volunteers (5) needed for Lake Padden Triathlon, June 24th; Regan will send out another request
- ii. Schedule of BBOP special events. Coreen S has volunteered to organize a bioluminescence paddle.
- iii. Trailer video will be postponed until January 2024

- IV. **Executive Session:** N/A
- V. **Laulima:** N/A
- VI. **Good of the Order:** Great turn out for Peter Marcus' memorial paddle today
- vii. **Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned by Blanche at 1930.
- VIII. **Next Meeting:** July 30th. Race planning meeting on July 23, 2023



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.