Coventry Lake Community Rowing Inc. Annual Meeting and Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: 3/5/2024 Location: Virtual Time of Meeting: 7:30pm

CALL TO ORDER:

Board members in attendance: Courtney Rossignol, Steve Simko, Heidi Diehl, Grace Heller, Mackenzie Bond, Nick Grassi, Jill Lillis

Guests in attendance: Pam Miller, Katie Ailes, Sophia Bokshan, Lorelei Tindal, Ayako Mitchell

Meeting called to order at 7:41pm

APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING'S MINUTES:

Nick moved to accept the minutes from the 2/6/24 meeting with the provision that he be added into the list of attendees as he was present at the meeting, but not listed as such. Steve seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

OFFICER'S REPORT(S):

Treasurer's Report - There was no update to the Treasurer's Report which had been discussed at the last meeting. As a result there was no Treasurer's Report at the current meeting and no discussion.

OPERATIONS REPORT:

Pam Miller provided the Board with her verbal report.

The spring on the water season begins on 3/18/24.

Some of the Adults have shown interest in getting on the water earlier this year.

There has been no news or updates on the Patriots Park Master Plan other than a vendor being chosen.

Pam has been working on applying for various grants. None are complete to date. Grant money, if received, would be used for various types of equipment as well as potentially developing building plans should we be given a place in the Master Plan.

Courtney added to the discussion that Coventry Director of Athletics, Pat Cox, came to a recent Board of Education meeting and discussed the difference between club and varsity sports. We are also waiting to hear from Dr. Petrone about receiving a spy at a future Board of Education meeting to present our program.

OLD BUSINESS:

Courtney brought up the CLCR spirit store and asked for a status. Steve advised that he will begin working on a store, without releasing it, to show the BOD. Pam will provide the graphics. The hope is that we can have a store that is open 24/7/365 for basic spiritwear for kids and parents. Rowing-specific gear can be ordered through another vendor as needed, but could not be part of this store due to the specific nature of the products needed.

Courtney would like grant updates added to future Agendas under Old Business

ELECTION OF 2024-2025 DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS:

Sameer Kaushal and Grace Heller will be graduating and not returning to the BOB

Prior to the meeting, Rob Miller, who was not in attendance, expressed his interest in returning to the Board as the Treasurer. Pam nominated Rob as Treasurer. Courtney seconded the nomination.

Courtney nominated Steve Simko, Heidi Diehl, Nick Grassi, Jill Lillis and Dan Eddy to the Board. Dan was not in attendance, but had expressed his interest in returning. Nick seconded the nominations.

Jill Nominated Courtney Rossignol to the Board. Nick seconded the nomination.

Pam indicated that Colton Johnson, who was not present, but was interested in joining the Board

Courtney nominated Mackenzie Bond, Katie Ailes, Sophia Bokshan and Colton Johnson as student representatives to the Board. Jill seconded the nominations.

Katie spoke to those present, indicating that she is a junior at Tolland HIgh School and has been with CLCR for 2-3 years. She would like to be on the Board to help with the youth team and get involved.

Sophia spoke to those present, indicating that she is a sophomore at Bolton High School and has been with CLCR for 3 years. She would like to be on the Board to be more involved.

Mackenzie is a student at EO Smith High School and has been with CLCR for 2 years. She would like to be on the Board to be more involved.

Pam spoke highly of Katie, Sophia and Mackenzie

Board positions were filled next. Courtney nominated Rob as Treasurer. Nick seconded the nomination. Jill nominated Courtney as President and Stever as Secretary. Nick seconded the nominations.

Courtney nominated Jill as Vice President. Nick seconded the nomination.

NEW BUSINESS:

No new business other than welcoming the new Board

NEXT MEETING:

4/2/24 at 7:30pm. To be held virtually. Meetings will continue to be held on the first Tuesday of the Month

Steve moved to adjourn the meeting. Jill seconded the motion. There was no discussion. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20pm.