

**November 9, 2022**  
**South End Rowing Club**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**

**Roll Call**

<b>Member</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Member</b>	<b>Present</b>
F. Hegeler		C. Lovazzano	X
K. Whalen	X	M. Lee	X
J. Sale	X	V. Blyth Marlin	X
B. Ip	X	S. Harrison	X
A. Marduel	X	Z. Margolis	X
M. Riley	X	E. Young	X
K. Buckholtz	X	S. Kenvin	X
S. Dominguez	X	L. Hovden	X
D. Puglisi	X		
G. Lazaneo	X	S. Wintersteen	X

**Approval of Minutes**

The October 2022 Board minutes were approved (16 – 0 – 1). The 2022 Membership Meeting minutes were approved (16 – 0 - 1).

**Vice President’s Remarks**

Kevin thanked the Board and all of the presenters for making the annual Membership meeting a success. The membership learned about our planned 501(c)(3) and how we intend to celebrate our 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The bylaw and articles of incorporation changes needed to support the 501(c)(3) were approved. Kevin acknowledged the uncomfortable moment that arose when a member raised the possibility of doing a census and another member said we’re all white. This was a triggering comment for many in the room. Kevin likened the work that needs to be done with the process of seeking enlightenment. It’s a journey on a long path.

Catherine reported that since the meeting, she’s had discussions with a number of members interested in a census. She noted the importance of aligning any census with the purposes of the diversity committee. This will probably come back to the Board in 2023.

Kevin then updated us on the MAX\_415 group who came to the Club over the weekend. This group of Bayview and Mission residents focuses on job security, healthy diets and exercise for underserved people. Through the efforts of Leslie Bustos-Gomez, Jeff Critchfield , the Buckaroo pod and Liz Young they had a chance to try bay swimming. There were lots of smiles and everyone had an awesome time - particularly those who went swimming! Hopefully this is just the start of a relationship.

Kevin reminded appointed commissioners who aren't returning in 2023 that time is running out to find their replacements. There was some discussion about which elected officers would not be seeking reelection (VP and two DAL).

Kevin reminded new Board members that traditionally the December meeting is quite short and is followed by dinner. Capurro's has agreed to open for us on the 14<sup>th</sup>.

Finally Kevin noted that after 5 years (running, membership and VP) this would be his final meeting (he will be out of town in December). He expressed his pleasure in serving the Club and working with his fellow Board members. The Board applauded Kevin and thanked him for his exemplary service and friendship.

### **Members Moment**

Brandon Anderson addressed the Board regarding the outdoor showers. Brandon has been a member for about 3 years and he and some other members think that they are worthy of becoming permanent additions to the Club. He proposes that the current temporary (for the pandemic) showers be replaced with something more permanent. Working with George, he's identified a new location (where the German cabana is located); Two potential sources of hot water for the new showers: an on demand electric hot water heater or tapping into the boiler that supplies the women's showers. Tapping into the women's boiler has some problems: it's a longer run (so the water will cool off) and it will accelerate the

depletion of hot water (by an estimated 15%) on busy swim mornings (e.g., after a club swim).

Brandon has received pledges totaling about \$1,400 for the project. In addition there is a member who is a licensed plumber who has volunteered to help with the permits and installation.

George said he would bring this back to the Board at a future meeting after more of the details have been worked out.

The Board thanked Brandon for his suggestion.

#### **A. 2022 Awards**

Kevin noted that almost all of the commissioners had gotten their picks to him. He suggested commissioners resort to deception to ensure their picks are at the holiday party to receive their award. Alix has agreed to help with the ordering of the trophies.

#### **B. 2022 Holiday Party**

Elizabeth noted that the party will be on Saturday December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00pm. Dinner will be served at 7:00.

The theme is *Coastal Casual for the holidays*. A cute poster featuring narwhals was previewed.

She plans to sell 250 tickets at \$45 each. Ticket sales will allow for a caterer to be hired for the main part of the meal (various kinds of paella). Appetizers and desserts will be supplied by members.

She would like the program to be limited to 30 minutes and suggested that each presenting commissioner spend 1 or 2 minutes highlighting their programs accomplishments in addition to giving out their award. In addition to the typical talking, this year's attendees will have the opportunity to hear the first ever performance of the South End Chorus.

This year's party will be free of plastic and will focus on locally produced, union made products.

Rather than organizing an unused shuttle that runs on a schedule (as was done last year), people who need help with transportation should reach out to Liz for a tailored assistance.

### **C. SERC Archive Relocation**

George explained that Club archivist Pat Cunneen and Bob Barde have 23 years of Club history stored in Bob's garage. George, Pat and Bob all think this material deserves better treatment and should be more accessible. George has tentatively identified two possible solutions:

- The small parapet on the roof of the Club. He thinks it has enough space but would require a dehumidifier and fire protection.
- Offsite at a document management center.

George promised to return to the Board when these options have been fleshed out.

While on the subject, George pointed out that we're running another archive in the Club office where documents are filed but never purged. This should also be investigated as part of this project.

It was pointed out that the Club has a document retention policy which should be examined.

The Club has a few librarians who should be pulled into this effort. This project could tie into the Club's 150<sup>th</sup>.

### **D. Dolphin Club Expansion**

The Board went into closed session to discuss this topic. No action was taken.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned to a sumptuous dinner courtesy of Mee.