

**Western Reserve Rowing Association**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**  
**May 13, 2025**

**Opening:** A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of WRRRA was called to order by the President, Sharon Romilly, at 6:40pm at the Cleveland Rowing Foundation Boathouse.

**Attendance:**

WRRRA B.O.D. in person: Sharon Romilly, Martha Rini, Elizabeth Sobota, Leah Livermore, Monica Wagner, Tim Marcovy, Chris Cole, Robin Murphy, Maria Coyne, Mary Wright  
Other in person: Chuck Postel

**Approval of Minutes:** The approval of the April 9, 2025 meeting minutes was deferred until the next regular meeting on June 18, 2025.

**Treasurer's Report, Elizabeth Sobota:**

1. The current financial report was reviewed.
2. Elizabeth met with the WRRRA outside accountant, Mary Ann Boyer, about Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax, due May 15, 2025. Elizabeth requested an extension on the filing until November 15, 2025.
3. Elizabeth will present the form to the B.O.D. for review before it is submitted with the IRS.

**Governance Report, Martha Rini: No Report**

**Volunteerism Report, Leah Livermore: No Report**

**Coaching Report, Tim Marcovy:**

1. Tim reported that all summer coaching spots have been filled except for a Coach for the Women's Masters Team. A search for a replacement is underway.
2. Tim reported that the Women's Masters Team wants to be coached and continue to compete.
3. Tim has secured two Coaches for the SRL+ Program who will divide the duties between themselves. No additional coaching cost to the club is anticipated.

**Corporate Rowing Report, Maria Coyne:**

1. Maria reviewed the April 2025 Learn to Row statistics.
2. Discussion ensued about hosting 2 Spring and 2 Fall LTR events instead of hosting all the LTR's in April. In April, cancellations due to weather are often an issue.
3. An ICWW Corporate Learn to Row event is planned for July 26, 2025.
4. Maria will discuss with the WRRRA Program Director advertising Corporate Rowing events on the WRRRA website.

**Veteran's Report, Robin Murphy:**

1. Robin reported that WRRRA applied for the USRowing "United We Row" grant that's designed for USRowing organizations to make rowing more accessible, competitive, and diverse.

**Equipment Report, Chris Cole:**

1. Chris reported that WRRRA rented The Firehouse for one week to the Shaker Heights Crew.

**Sculling Report, Monica Wagner:**

1. The Sculling Mentor List will be finalized at the May 15, 2025 Sculling Committee Meeting.
2. Learn to Scull will begin on June 14, 2025. There will be three sessions per day for 6 weeks.
3. There is a need for one more Sculling Coach.

**Merchandise Report, Mary Wright:**

1. Mary is researching online store opportunities.
2. Mary's goal is to have WRRRA basic merchandise available year-round on the WRRRA website.

**President's Report, Sharon Romilly:**

1. Sharon reviewed the May 12, 2025 incident report filed with CRF.
2. Sharon is working with Carol Wilson to determine a date for the 2025 WRRRA Remembrance Row.
3. There is a Men's and Women's joint Masters meeting scheduled for May 14, 2025.
4. Substitute Rower opportunities were discussed.

**Closing:**

1. The next scheduled meetings are as follows:
  - A. June 18, 2025 at 6:00pm at the Cleveland Rowing Foundation Boathouse.
  - B. July 24, 2025 at 6:00pm at the Cleveland Rowing Foundation Boathouse.
  - C. August 19, 2025 at 6:00pm at the Cleveland Rowing Foundation Boathouse.
2. The meeting was duly adjourned at 7:43pm.

Respectfully submitted by Leah Livermore, WRRRA Secretary, on June 10, 2025.