

**Western Reserve Rowing Association
Board of Directors Meeting
October 14, 2025**

Opening: A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of WRRRA was called to order by the President, Sharon Romilly, at 6:03 pm at The Flat Iron Café.

Attendance:

WRRRA B.O.D. in person: Sharon Romilly, Martha Rini, Elizabeth Sobota, Leah Livermore, Mary Wright, Chris Cole, Tim Marcovy

WRRRA B.O.D. via Google Meets: Robin Murphy, Maria Coyne, Monica Wagner

Other via Google Meets: Heidi Lamb

Approval of Minutes: Martha made a motion to approve the minutes from the August 19, 2025 and September 30, 2025 B.O.D. meetings as submitted. Sharon seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report, Elizabeth Sobota:

1. The current financial report was reviewed.
2. 2025 year-to-date merchandise sales and costs were reviewed.
3. Elizabeth is in the process of analyzing 2026 insurance quotes.
4. The 2024 IRS Form 990 is due November 15, 2025.
5. Elizabeth requested the board start 2026 budgets for their directorships.
6. A \$5,000 deposit was paid for the new Vespoli 4+. Delivery is expected in Spring 2026.

Governance Report, Martha Rini:

1. WRRRA will be holding elections for three Board of Directors at the Annual Meeting on November 8, 2025.
2. Board members engaged in discussion on the status of collaboration efforts with CRF.

Program Director Report, Heidi Lamb:

1. Heidi reported that the 2025 FRL and HOTC Prep seasons were filled and went well.

Veteran's Report, Robin Murphy:

1. The Northeast Ohio Para Rowing Society (NEOPRS) had their inaugural row in a 2x on October 2, 2025.
2. Robin will work with the VA on scheduling for the para rowers.

Merchandise Report, Mary Wright:

1. WRRR Merchandise pop-up stores will be scheduled before the end of the year. There will also be merchandise for sale at the WRRR Annual Meeting.

Corporate Rowing, Maria Coyne:

1. Maria reviewed the 2025 Corporate Rowing events and proposals.

Sculling Report, Monica Wagner:

1. Monica reported that sculling mentors preferred to volunteer their time instead of being paid.
2. Additional sculling mentors are needed for 2026.

Coaching Report, Tim Marcovy:

1. Discussion ensued on realigning sweeps programming for 2026.
2. One additional coach from the U30 Program has been added.
3. Tim reported the U30 Program has been a success with respect to recruiting new coaches for WRRR programs. More new coaches have been added than in any other year since the 1990's.
4. Coxswain recruitment and training will continue to be a focus for the 2026 season, along with recruiting more reliable coaching with greater frequency for the Master's Program.
5. The first call for coaches for 2026 will go out after the WRRR Annual Meeting.

Volunteerism Report, Leah Livermore:

1. Terri Postel is the 2025 WRRR Volunteer of the Year.

Equipment Report, Chris Cole:

1. Dates for winter boat maintenance are to be determined.
2. The annual WRRR Boat Tuck-in Event will be held on October 25, 2025.

President's Report, Sharon Romilly:

1. Plans for the November 8, 2025 WRRR Annual Meeting were discussed.

Closing:

1. The next scheduled meeting is the WRRR Annual Meeting on November 8, 2025 at 10:00am at the CRF Boathouse. A BOD's meeting will follow at the Flat Iron Café.
2. The meeting was duly adjourned at 7:10pm.

Respectfully submitted by Leah Livermore, WRRR Secretary, on December 2, 2025.