

## Passaic River Rowing Association



### Additional General Membership Meeting March 2011

Date and time: Thursday, March 31, 2011, 7:43pm

Place: Nutley Parks and Rec Building  
44 Park Avenue  
Nutley, New Jersey 07110

### ***Minutes of the Additional General Membership Meeting***

- ***Call to order***

The new general membership meeting was called to order at 7:43pm by president Ben Delisle (BD). The meeting was necessary as at the last General Membership Meeting on 2/25/2011 no business could be conducted as no quorum was present.

- ***Welcome and Quorum***

BD asked the secretary Rainer Martini (RM), if a quorum was present, RM replied that with 23 member a quorum was present as 21 members were needed. BD continued and introduced to council members to the audience and thanked everyone to come to the additional meeting. As every committee has already given a report at the previous meeting, he announced to conduct the remaining business relatively fast and then continue soon to the presentation from Bill Potter and Jonathan Jaffe from the Lower Passaic Cooperating Parties.

- ***Adoption of November 2010 general membership meeting minutes***

The minutes from the last general membership meeting in November 2011 had been distributed per email and were handed out at the entrance. Jeff Lahm (JL) motioned to accept the minutes, the motion was second by Vince Chell (VC) and the minutes were accepted unanimously.

- ***Adoption of Budget***

The budget for 2011 had been circulated per email, was presented at the last meeting and was handed out at the entrance as well. BD asked if anyone had any questions. Denise asked what specific activities would be financed by the budget item "expansion of the boathouse" – and if the amount was enough for the project. BD responded that the suggested amount was only to start some activities and pay for some early actions items before a grant would be given to us. Vince Truncelito (VT) explained that the allotted amount was based on the long-term savings of the club –

which were identified to use for such improvement projects. Bill McCord (BM) motioned to accept the budget, VC second and the motion passed unanimously.

- ***Adoption of Membership guide***

As last business item of the meeting BD moved to the approval of the membership guide for the 2011 season. The membership guide had been circulated before, had been discussed at the previous meeting and was also distributed at the entrance. He explained additionally that the rates for each membership category were the same as in 2010. Gail Lahm moved to accept the membership guide, Sandra Ward second the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

- ***Presentation by the Lower Passaic Cooperating Parties***

Bill Potter and Jonathan Jaffe from the Lower Passaic Cooperating Parties followed with a presentation of the history, problems and planned activity concerning the pollution of the lower Passaic, which was followed by a short discussion. For any further question to the presentation or their activities they left their contact information as:

Contact info: [www.lowerpr.com](http://www.lowerpr.com)  
Jonathan Jaffe at 973-826-0130  
Or Jonathan@jaffecom.com

- ***Discussion and new business***

Following the presentation BD opened the floor for questions and new business:

- Tony Fiory suggested that the full membership guide should be published on the PRRA website, RM agreed to make sure that the full guide will be published and not only the final two pages.
- Bill McCord added that since the last meeting the club has purchase a used 8+ which will be used mainly for LTR as well as open row and will replace the "Tank".
- On an inquiry, BD reported that he had no news from the grant application, but that everyone should keep his fingers crossed.
- JL reminded everyone that for safety reason due to the construction on the route 3 bridge nobody will be allowed to row through the train bridge.

- ***Adjournment***

As no further comments or question were asked, BD motioned to adjourn the General membership meeting at 8:42PM, RM second and the motion was accepted unanimously.