

Virginia Scholastic Rowing Association  
Meeting Minutes  
Board of Directors Meeting, Vienna Fire Station Hall  
400 Center St South, Vienna, VA 22103  
October 3, 2017 7:30 PM

I. President. (Dorothy Lazor)

1. **Welcome** to all team representative for the 2018 season. There is as usual considerable turn over during the summer, both in booster representatives and coaching staff. Communications is key to any organization, so please make sure that we have your contact information and that of your coaching staff. In addition the coaches need to populate their own data with the coaches group.
2. **Regattas.** If you have been to any of our regattas you know that, other than the Polar Bear, they are an all day event. We have been using a schedule with small boats racing in the morning and eights in the afternoon, we intend to continue with this practice during the 2018 season.
3. **Regatta Designation.** All VASRA regattas for 2018 are designated as Invitational Regattas. This means that you have to have it on our schedule to place your entries.
4. **Rowing Schedule.** Coordinate with your coaches to make sure of the schedule before it is submitted to the Crew Council in November. This submission is done via the Coaches Association President
5. **Rowers Numbers Report.** . Although you will not know exact numbers until the spring make an educated approximation. We determine the number of volunteer jobs from the number of rowers that you submit as attending each regatta. We also determine if there is sufficient space to allow visiting teams to participate in the regatta. Our attendance priorities are: members, associate members; then visiting crews, with first priority going to those who historically have attended that regatta. These numbers are due **NLT the next VASRA Meeting, 7 November.** Submission details of this and other necessary information will be covered by the Secretary.
6. **Booster Responsibilities and Requirements.** Read the Representatives Handbook. Local Organizing Committee (LOC) Staffing. Larger programs will provide a core staff person for every 50 athletes. Representatives Handbook, Tab 4, VASRA Regatta Roles and Responsibilities, Regatta Staff, page 2.
7. **LOC Positions.** It is never too early to review the LOC positions that your school has filled during the last season and determine if your team wishes to return to that regatta support function.
8. **At-Large Members.** Nominations for At-Large Members:
  - Jules Verster - Course Master (Chief River Rat)
  - Shirley von Rinteln – Personnel Coordinator
  - Kim Turmel – Concessions Coordinator

Unanimously approved.

9. **Committees:** Operations Manual, Chapter 11, page 23
  - a. Budget/Audit (3 People)
    - i. Julie Melear, West Springfield
    - ii. Bob Dewar, Fairfax
    - iii. Mark Eramo, Forest Park
  - b. Grievance (3 People)
    - i. Paul Reinke, Langley
    - ii. Beth Suttie, Loudoun County
    - iii. Ken Michelsen, Colgon
  - c. Long Range Planning (3 People)
    - i. Dorothy Lazor
    - ii. Tom Snoich
    - iii. Shirley Von Rinteln ( Westfield)
    - iv. Bryan Tylander
  - d. By-Laws (3 People)
    - i. VASRA Secretary (Tom Snoich)
    - ii. Sarah Entsminger, Briar Woods
    - iii. Craig Roblyer, Robinson
  - e. Coaches Development (2 People)



2. Course Master (Chief River Rat) Jules Verster  
**Fall Work Days.** 21 and 28 October.

These are VASRA mandatory workdays, where participation is required from each VASRA member school on the Occoquan. We need to attach two sections of dock ramp to the headquarters dock. Additionally there are replacement docks to be attached to the hard points at the awards dock and Point dock. There is also an additional section to be attached to the dock at the finish line/coaches area.

VII. Committees.

[See Above](#)

VIII. New Business.

Need to address launch driver training for non-occoquan schools  
Need to re-address safety committee with Cameron Naron

IX. Announcements.

7 October – Work Day

8 October – Occoquan Challenge

15 October – Occoquan Chase

21 October - Work Day

28 October - Work Day

November - School regatta participation schedule is due to the Coaches Association President, for approval by the Crew Council at their December meeting.

4 & 5 November - HOTO

7 November - VASRA BOD Meeting

15 November - Membership dues to be received by the VASRA Treasurer.

X. Adjournment.

Next meeting is Tuesday, 7 November, 2018, Vienna Fire Station Hall.

[Motion made and seconded to adjourn meeting at 8:42. None opposed.](#)