

Virginia Scholastic Rowing Association

P.O. Box 73, Fairfax Station, VA 22039

AGENDA

Board of Directors Meeting, Vienna Fire Station Hall

400 Center St South, Vienna, VA 22103

April 3, 2018, 7:30 PM

I. President. (Dorothy Lazor)

1. **Regattas.** We have conducted one regatta, for the upper boats. This was an uneventful introduction to the season for both the referees and LOC. This weekend will be the first regular regatta of the season, for many of your rowers it will be the first regatta ever. This is a very large regatta with a notional attendance of 1850, so we would expect at least 1700 athletes to attend.
2. **Park Logistics.** As most of you are aware the park is a superb rowing venue, but presents many challenges in its geography. With such a large number of participants present, I would remind you to be mindful to occupy only the space necessary for your teams setup of both trailers and for rigging, as well as team tents.
3. **Event Schedule.** The Walter Mess Regatta will have small boats racing in the morning and eights only in the afternoon. This schedule of events is also in place at the Darrell Winslow and the Al Urquia regattas. The schedule is reversed at the Ted Phoenix Regatta, where we will have the eights in the morning and the small boats in the afternoon. This schedule allows for a turnover with onsite parking, with those teams who may only have morning events. However, with the very large regattas there is the probability that we will go to off site parking by mid morning.
4. **Parking Lots.** There is limited on site parking. Lot B, the paved lot at the top of the hill is for pass holders: coaches, LOC and athletic trainers. The small area at the back of and below Lot B, adjacent to the well house, is for referees only. Do not have team set up vehicles parking there or on the grass area near the well house. The remaining lots allow for approximately 700 vehicles to be parked onsite. Please encourage carpooling and the use of vans. Vans and multi passenger vehicles have designated parking available along the roadway and at the top of D Lot.
http://www.vasra.org/uploads/2018BRH_TAB_11_-_2017-2018_Maps_and_Directions.pdf
5. **Overflow Parking.** Shuttle buses will operate between the park and our off site parking. The fee for the bus is **\$5 per person**. The shuttle will not begin to operate until the lots on site have been filled. Parking status is Tweeted at [#VASRAParking](#). The shuttle buses run on a circuit and take approximately 20 minutes to travel from the site to the park. If you think you will be using the shuttle allow approximately 1 hour before the time you want to be at the park.
6. **Finish Line Van.** The fee for the van to the finish line is \$3.
7. **Handicapped Access.** If you are handicapped or have a handicapped spectator who needs assistance, please notify the regatta as soon as possible, preferably by Wednesday, the week of the event that you wish to attend. Arrangements will be made to provide transport from the handicapped parking in C Lot to the finish line tower or grandstand.
8. **Parking Passes and Credentials.** The parking passes distributed last season, which most of you elected to retain, are valid for the 2018 season, as was published in 2017. If your team has lost passes the cost for reissue is \$5. I would suggest that every effort is made to find the missing passes. If we find our designated lot overfull with non-paying cars, there will be the necessity of checking passes against valid issued passes. VASRA did not issue coaching passes this year – Coaches are asked to use their School Coaching IDs to ride the shuttle.
9. **Parking Pass for DSA.** The Park Authority limits the number of free passes VASRA can distribute, as the revenue from parking is our method of payment for the use of the park. There will be one seasonal parking pass available, for purchase by the teams, for school administrators. The cost for this pass is **\$140**. Purchase of this pass does not guarantee a parking place at the regatta, it does not reserve a space, it only provides free admission to the parking. If no parking is available, the pass may be used to obtain free use of the off site shuttle for one individual.
10. **Catastrophic Medical Insurance.** Your clubs have been provided with the amount that they owe for the Catastrophic Medical Insurance coverage:
(<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1bs6NZnC9SsRRXbR-2KXU0Ypqdq6yxzn1zbbwqwxgH6Q/edit#gid=1456136395>). Your organization needs to have paid that to VASRA in order to be rowing in this weekends regatta. If you have not done so please make

arrangements to pay at the conclusion of the meeting or bring a check to the regatta. The mailbox will be checked Friday morning, and the status sheet will be updated at that time.

11. **USRowing Waivers.** Your athletes need to have waivers signed for the current calendar year. A separate but related requirement is their USRowing membership fee. The date of this fee is not based on a calendar year, but upon date of initiation. A rower may be eligible at the beginning of the season, but subsequently not be in compliance due to the date their membership began. All VASRA regattas are USRowing Registered Regattas, which requires compliance of all athletes for insurance purposes. We have already had issues with this and what I am assuming are multiple identities for waivers. If your athletes have more than one waiver identity, please have them merge the accounts.
12. **Lightweight Entries.** Please remind your coaches that if they are rowing lightweight boats they need to bring the master weight sheet to the regatta, or their entry will not be allowed to row lightweight. The weights for each regatta are worked backward from the championship: VSRC is 150/130, Al Urquia/Charlie Butt 151/131, Ted Phoenix 152/132, Darrell Winslow 153/133, Walter Mess 154/134.
13. **Trophies.** Sandy Bodner, our new trophy coordinator is here this evening to collect the trophies.
14. **Parking Passes.** VASRA will be collecting parking passes at the end of this year. A head's up now so it isn't a surprise at the last meeting.
15. **Committees.** Still to be filled:
Nominating Committee. Three volunteers are needed to fill the committee. They will provide a slate of nominees to the BOD no later than 15 May, for the June election.

II. Secretary. (Tom Snoich)

1. Attendance: Sign and update the roster. Pick up your school tent card.
2. Reading and approval of the minutes of the November and January VASRA meeting.
3. The VASRA Calendar – Key Dates – these affect your team.
5. Contacts: make sure that there is a reliable contact, an email address that will respond to VASRA

III. Treasurer. (Stuart Burns)

1. Financial Report for March.
2. Please check the Submissions List to ensure you have made your required payments for the Catastrophic Medical Insurance portion.

IV. Vice President. (Jim Weitekamp)

1. Keep up with your launch driver training. You can still provide opportunities for you volunteer drivers to gain experience by driving the coaches in the afternoons.

V. Representatives.

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| 1. Crew Council | Zeff Yusof (Georgetown Visitation AD) |
| 2. Sandy Run Regional Park | Crystal Wilson (NVRPA) |
| 3. Coaches | Bryan Tylander (Head Coach Woodson) |
| 4. Regatta Director Potomac | Mary Schwarz |

VI. Coordinators.

1. Personnel Coordinator Shirley von Rinteln
 1. Volunteer Coordinators confirm name
 2. Regatta schedule coordination
 3. Job assignments
2. Course Master (Chief River Rat) Jules Verster
 1. River Rats. Additional volunteers always welcome.
3. Concessions Coordinator Kim Turmel

VII. Committees.

1. Budget/Audit (3)

- Julie Melear (West Springfield)
Bob Dewar (Fairfax)
Mark Eramo (Forest Park)
2. Grievance (3)
Paul Reinke (Langley)
Beth Suttie (Loudoun)
Ken Michelsen (Colgon)
 3. Long Range Planning (3)
Dorothy Lazor
Tom Snoich
Shirley Von Rinteln (Westfield)
 4. By-Laws (3)
Tom Snoich (VASRA Secretary))
Sara Entsminger (Briar Woods)
Craig Roblyer (Robinson)
 5. Coaches Development (2)
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 6. History (1)
John White
 7. Nominations (3 April Initiation)
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VIII. New Business.

IX. Announcements.

1. 7 April – Walter Mess Regatta.
2. 14 April – Darrell Winslow Regatta
3. 21 April – Ted Phoenix Regatta
4. 22 April – Mason Invitational Regatta
5. 28 April – Al Urquia Regatta
6. 28 April – Charlie Butt Regatta
7. 5 May – VSRC Day 1
8. 12 May – VSRC Day 2
9. 5 June – Board Meeting and election of officers for 2019. Turn in parking passes.

X. Adjournment.

Next meeting is Tuesday, 5 June, 2018, Vienna Fire Station Hall.