**Murray Edwards College Boat Club – Committee Meeting**

**Michaelmas 2020 – Wednesday 7th October, 4.30pm, Microsoft Teams**

**Minutes**

**Present:** Izzy, Alice, Lucy, Rachel, Caitlyn, Livi, Maria, Amy, Portia, Louise, Marina

* **Covid-related restrictions**
	+ Alice to check with Peterhouse captain about rowing in the IV
	+ Currently no use of boathouse ergs, will continue using ergs in squash courts
	+ Coxes to wear PPE (mask and visor)
* **Senior training**
	+ Seniors currently doing land training in small groups of 4 based on previous experience/aspirations
	+ Unlikely to enter any races this term
		- Fairbairn’s may run at reduced capacity but not expecting to enter
	+ Training groups to go out in IV when allowed
	+ Shortage of coxes – may need to chase people up, use coxes from other colleges, and/or train novice coxes
	+ Organise sculling training for those who have signed up
* **Novice training**
	+ Aiming to set up fixed training groups as for seniors, keeping within households as much as possible
	+ Seniors could help run sessions on erging and coxing technique
	+ Need to speak to Peterhouse captain about use of the tub for household groups
		- Lucy to cox tub sessions unless not allowed, in which case will look into using bank tub
	+ Currently can’t use boathouse, so erg training will be done in squash courts
	+ LBCs could organise novice runs/cycles/circuits as well
	+ LBCs/seniors could cycle down with novices to boathouse and show them around the river
	+ Look into coaching novices to scull
* **Stash and kit order**
	+ Novice training group shirts to be ordered from Talking Ts
	+ Godfreys order
	+ Committee sweatshirts with boat club crest and names/roles as last year from Talking Ts
	+ Investigate pricing and supplier of boat club slides
	+ Investigate pricing and supplier of boat club face masks
* **Alumnae fund**
	+ Alumnae have suggested setting up fund to contribute towards subs and/or subsidise kit orders
	+ Waiting to hear back from college development office team
	+ One of committee could take on responsibilities for this as part of their role
* **Budget**
	+ Junior treasurer has not yet had handover from previous treasurer
	+ Waiting to hear back from JCR about approval of budget
	+ Budget to be circulated to Marina and Alice
	+ Signatories on bank account to be changed to Marina and Izzy
* **Safety audit**
	+ To be completed by Lucy
	+ Complete separate risk assessment for Covid
* **Socials and dinner alternatives**
	+ So seniors can socialise outside of training groups and novices can meet rest of club
	+ Portia to investigate use of marquees and other possibilities for socialising
	+ Pub trips with mixed groups of seniors and novices if people are comfortable
	+ Regular (e.g. biweekly) zoom event discussed
	+ LBCs to circulate novice groups once set so social events can be planned
* **Empty committee positions**
	+ No specific role for Covid-related safety issues; Lucy to cover this
	+ Currently no fundraising officer
* **Neptunes**
	+ Didn’t publish Neptunes last year due to software issues, but aim to produce it this year
	+ Maria to look into using different software
* **AOB**
	+ **Fundraising**
		- Possibility of fundraising for a new IV discussed
		- MECBC has a savings account, need to check balance with Bursar
		- 24hr erg not doable due to Covid, could use ergs in rotation or set a distance goal instead
		- Portion of fundraising proceeds could be donated to a sports-related charity, e.g. RTHM
	+ **Instagram**
		- Post more on MECBC Instagram account, e.g. “Meet the committee” posts, story takeovers
		- Committee to be sent login details
		- Promote on insidemedwards, college Instagram, etc