Nashville Rowing Masters Advisory Committee Minutes of Meeting of July 20, 2016

Present: Jessica Mosbarger, Meg Mazzone, Al DeNunzio, Bethany Primrose, Jim Davis

Absent: Emy Noel

The Masters Advisory Committee met on July 20, 2016, at 7 pm Meg's house. The following is a summary of the discussion:

- 1. The minutes of the May 18, 2016, meeting were reviewed and approved.
- 2. The committee discussed masters' coxing needs. Various options for cox training were discussed. The committee agreed that both beginning coxing and advanced coxing (i.e., race coxing) training is needed. Coach Jess agreed to organize cox training. She also said that everyone will need to cox at practices; however, a core group will be trained to cox at races.
- 3. Bethany informed the committee of a new JL liaison for uniforms. She will find out when the JL store will be opened for people to buy racing uniforms. The committee encouraged her to try to make this happen as soon as possible so uniforms can be delivered in time for racing season.
- 4. Jess is spearheading a fundraising project for the club. The details are not firm yet but it will take place on September 28 or 29. She will need the support of the club to make it a success. All asked for an updated list of members, and Jess agreed to send him that.
- 5. Al raised the issue of membership categories for masters rowers. He would like to add a category for people who have to leave for 6 months for various reason but don't want to sever ties entirely and might need a break on dues. He agreed to put some thoughts together and bring a proposal to the committee.
- 6. Al reported that Erin Wenzel is not renewing her membership and therefore will not continue on the MAC. As permitted by the club bylaws, the committee agreed to ask Jan Duckworth if she would like to serve the remainder of Erin's term (through December 2016).
- 7. The committee next discussed the boat reservation process. There has been some controversy because boats have not always been available to masters when masters needed them for race preparation. Jess explained that there is now an additional coached program for under 23 year old student members. Coached programs take priority for equipment over private reservations and open rows. The committee agreed that this topic needs further discussion so the needs of members can be better met.
- 8. Jess informed the committee that she and Cory are working to create a backup plan for erging on practice days when equipment is not available.
- 9. Head race season schedule is posted on website.
- 10. Destination rows there was discussion about going to Sarasota, Florida for a regatta in February 2017. Jess agreed to look into it. She also mentioned that Dietmar had invited the masters for a destination row at his home lake in Kentucky possibly in September.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9 pm.