

**Forest Park Crew, Inc.**  
**Board Meeting MINUTES**  
**11 SEPT 2025 @ 7:00PM (Zoom)**

**Establishment of Quorum**

**Board Members:**

Mia Simpson  
Ruth Avelis  
Betony Conte  
Rebecca Jami  
Don Green

**Key Volunteers:**

Tatjana D’Arcangelo  
Angie Jeffcoat

**Additional Attendees:**

**Adoption of Board Meeting Minutes:**

Rebecca Jami– motioned;  
Ruth Avelis - seconded

**Team Representatives Report:**

**Team Members Present:**

Leah Gregory  
Blake Edwards  
Taylor McAndrews

**Old Business/Actions**

- **(Action: Mia)** – Reserve space at school for crew activities: Banquet, tag day.
- **(Action: Don/Mia)** – researching CRICUT and making **Medusa stickers**
- **(Action Still Open: Mia) Sponsor logos/Thank you’s** – Mia will send thank you notes
- **(Action Still Open: Mia/Angie) Stickers/Magnets** – confirm ordered
- **(Action: Mia/Coach Mabeus) Student Refund** – Coach Mabeus will send student info to Mia to follow up to see if he will row this year.
- **(Action: Mia) Get zoom info** to Secretary/Rebecca & get debit card to renew Zoom subscription
- **(Action: Mia/Jolene)** Mia will send link to crew interest sign up form to Jolene to get on website.
- **(Action: Don)** Order hot water container for Tatjana
- **(Action: Don)** research **replacement motor** for Motor #4 (15 hp? – 9.9 sticker) \$2700 range, DC dealer or find free shipping options.

**Coach’s Report:**

**Coaches Present: Coach Mabeus & Coach Golden**

**Coach Mabeus Report:**

1. The 4x is back in the boathouse. Hull looks brand new! New Boat will be delivered HOTO weekend
2. Learn to Row was successful. Very busy day. 25 FP students attended. Big thanks to Betony for helping man a table while coaches were with new rowers. Sent an initial follow up email post event and ended up with 23-24 names that were good.

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3. Homecoming parade Oct 10. I will respond to participate as long as the trailer is back. Needs to submit participation confirmation; theme is “NEON”; groups last year had a tailgate party after the parade in the parking lot and does the team want to do that? Consider using the event as a recruiting opportunity
4. Our request to demo rowing in the PE classes was denied. We will have to focus on lunchtime recruiting. (week before fall meeting)
5. Kerrie Golden will attend PWCA meeting as the coaching rep (Mia and Betony also attend)
6. Jessica Millie will attend VASRA Coaches meeting. (Coaches only, general meeting is a later date) – topic – getting feedback on coaches on how to condense the Regatta day. How to cap the timeline?

**Board Member Reports:**

**President – Mia Simpson**

**1<sup>st</sup> VP (Fundraising) – Ruth Avelis**

- Ruth is in a holding pattern for fundraising activities until school approves Crew fundraising plan
- Sept Spirit night was cancelled due to this delay
- October - Five Guys is scheduled – if we have approval
- November – All American Steakhouse
- Discussed that some restaurants require a flyer stapled to receipt to account for fundraising event credit.
  - o Get flyers to rowers prior to spirit night events
- Campbell’s will be mailing a check to team at the PO address.

ACTION – Ruth can you follow up with Athletic Director. Ruth email Vicki and cc Mia. Mia send Ruth her school email address

**2<sup>nd</sup> VP (Registration) –**

**Treasurer – Betony Conte**

● **Financials – As of 7 Sept 2025**

- o Checking account - \$6,999.45
- o Money Market account - \$83,314.38

● **Income**

- o Raise Right - \$35.32

● **Donations**

- o NTR

● **Paid Expenses**

o **Debit card**

- Vespoli - \$6,120.00 (Pegasus)
- Vespoli - \$2,250.00 (Quad repair)

o **Zelle transfer**

- Jolene Edwards - \$210.00 (Website)

o **Checks**

- K&P Powdertec (Trailer repair) - \$3,500.00 (Check #2682)

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**Secretary – Rebecca Jami**

- Access to Spond (FPCrew secretary email) established
- “FP Crew – Interest” Subgroup created – need to figure out how to set it up to share a link publicly.

**Director of Maintenance – Don Green (Acting)**

**Director of Operations – Don Green**

<b><u>Itemized Summary of Trailer Reburish</u></b>		
\$ 161.03	Gas to Transport Trailer from VA to NY	
\$ 80.48	New Lighting Kit for Trailer	
\$ 811.60	Rub Rail for Shell Protection on Trailer Cross Bars	
\$ 1,009.76	Trex Type Top Boards for Trailer Deck	
\$ 357.13	Towing Connection w/Brakes	
\$ 22.30	Misc Hardware & Brake Fluid for Trailer	
\$ 131.66	Trailer Jacks and Misc Zip Ties	
\$ 106.65	Heavey Duty Two Sided Tape for Rub Rail Install	
\$ 229.34	Hardware to attach the Deck Boards to the Trailer	
\$ 3,500.00	Sand Blast, Prime and Paint Trailer	
\$ 765.72	Welding Cross bars and three additional Shell Racks	
\$ 385.00	Add Scholls Logo's to the Trailer	
<b>\$7,560.67</b>	<b>Total Cost to Re-Burbish the Trailer</b>	

**Key Volunteer Position Coordinator Reports:**

**Uniform/Spirit wear Coordinator: Angie Jeffcoat**

- For October Board meeting – we’ll begin planning rent-a rower – date? November 8/9 is recommended
- Will order stickers and Magnets; iron on patches?

**Website Coordinator: Jolene Edwards**

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**Breakfast/Food Coordinator: Tatjana D’Arcangelo**

**New Business**

**Homecoming tailgate as recruiting event**

Hand out snacks at the School tailgate event (post Homecoming parade) – bring students in by handing out snacks and flyers with Crew information.

Angie Jeffcoat motioned to vote on budget for snacks

Rebecca Jami seconded

Budget for snacks voted on and approved: \$200.00

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Resulting Action items:

**(Action: Blake & Leah)** Create list of snacks kids ACTUALLY want to eat and will be excited about.

**(Action: Blake & Leah)** get emails for interested rowers and email them personally to invite them to tailgate event.

**(Action: Coach Mabeus)** Create event in Spond and add her list of interested rowers to email list for Blake & Leah

**(Action: Tatjana)** will purchase snacks for tailgate when we have list from Blake and Leah

Discussed also preparing hot food – but no final decision was made at this meeting.

**Rent-a-Rower**

Begin planning Rent-a-Rower event at the October 8 board meeting.

**Quad returned**

We were charged a delivery fee, because the shop shipped the Quad separately instead of waiting for the new boat to send together.

**(Action: Coach Mabeus)** Follow up with shop for refund on shipping costs

**Trailer Refurbish**

Completed – but need it back in town before October 10 Homecoming Parade.

**(Action: Don)** bring trailer to VA when he returns

**(Action: Betony)** write a check for unplanned welding for \$765.72

**Next Meeting: October 8, 2025 @ 7pm EST**

**Adjourned**

Motion to Adjourn – Mia Simpson

Seconded – Angie Jeffcoat