

Forest Park Crew, Inc.
Board Meeting MINUTES
11 MAR 2026 @ 7:00PM (Zoom)

Establishment of Quorum

Board Members:

Mia Simpson
Don Green
Betony Conte
Ruth Avelis
Rebecca Jami

Key Volunteers:

Tatjana D’Arcangelo
Angie Jeffcoat

Additional Attendees:

Coach Mabeus
Coach Golden

Adoption of Board Meeting Minutes:

Motion to approve:
Seconded:

Team Representatives Report:

Team Members Present: [None](#)

Old Business/Actions

- **(Action Item: Ruth)** - investigating how we can buy gift cards from Raise Right for anyone interested to then use on Spirit night. – *Ruth confirmed we can use Raise Right GCs on Spirit Nights – we had no response from rowers for the Chipotle spirit night.*
- **(Action Item: Ruth)** - start working on sponsorships **see notes for fundraising.*
- **(Action Item: Don)** – create a map to share with parents of where FP parents meet to watch the races by the first regatta (March 21)
- **(ACTION: Betony) Student Refund** – Refund \$50.00 due to the lower tuition this year.

STOTESBURY PLANNING –

- **(Action: Angie)** – contact Johnathan Leonhard for recommendations for a team dinner location.
- **(ACTION: Coaches)** – waiting to see if any other schools want to partner up to plan/attend. Woodbridge is still looking into this. Mabeus following up with Danny Mayser?*
- **Mia looked into hotels;** Doubletree (near airport); May 14-16 (thurs/sat); This hotel is non-refundable. Not advisable. Still going to look for others.

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- **(ACTION: Mia)** - will investigate “transportation with parents” regulations. Lots of rules regarding parents driving. Principals must approve parents who drive. Still looking into it.
- **ACTION : Coach Mabeus:** Mabeus is going to ask which students are taking AP exams on May14th. This may affect Stotes decision.

We still need to finalize - Transportation, Chaperones (the Smiths said they could chaperone), hotels and food.

Coach’s Report:

Coaches Present: Coach Mabeus

1. Lease 1 or 2 boats to PWRC during spring for Sunday rows.
 - Voted YES. Only if boats can stay in boathouse and not the newest boats.
 - Voted YES for summer use as well.
2. James River is a “go . We need parent volunteers to step up.
 - Still on but registration is not open yet.
 - **(ACTION: Coach Mabeus)** to order bus/ busses.
 - Regular regatta breakfast. Possibly make your own type subs.
 - Don to travel with shells night before.
 - Betony said she could tow the chuckwagon.
 - At least two parents to help plan out food logistics.
3. Senior banners \$55 each. 11 seniors \$605 total.
Voted: YES

Board Member Reports:

President – Mia Simpson Asked rowers to read and use Spond.

1st VP (Fundraising) – Ruth Avelis

Spirit Nights

- **Five Guys (Fortuna Plaza)** - waiting on results
- **Chipotle (Merchant Plaza)** - March 11th
- **Chunky Cup** - April - 1st or 2nd week.
- **Campbells Custard (Merchant Plaza)** - May
- **TBD** - June

Tag Day and Savers Donations

- Spectacular job by the rowers. Everything was well organized and ran smoothly.
- Total collected as of 08 MAR 26 = \$8,712.12
- Have not heard back from Savers yet on what the team made
- A few more donations have come in through Venmo and Givebutter. Expect that to slow down by the end of the week. Will start working on thank you notes this week for the cash and check donations. Will put out thank you emails for PayPal. Thank you notes have already been sent out on Venmo.
- Will export donor list from GB and start working on thank you notes for that this weekend.
- After all the thank you notes go out, will start working on the donor appeals

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Givebutter Challenge

- Voluntary for the rowers
- Do we still want to do this? *All said yes to still do this.*

Sponsorships

- Request every rower provide the names of 3-5 local business that their family supports
 - Dentist, hair stylist, gym, restaurant, etc
 - Fundraising will contact the business to see if they are interested in sponsoring the team
 - Proposal - Successful sponsorships would earn families a \$10 tuition credit for every \$50 in sponsorships. Example: \$100 in sponsorships would be \$20 tuition credit.
- Voted YES.**

RaiseRight

- Posted for Chipotle and received no responses

Fundraising Committee

- Would like 3-4 volunteers
- Would need to work on this year round

2nd VP (Registration) –

Treasurer – Betony Conte

- **Financials – As of 8 Mar 2026**
 - Checking account - \$6,752.99
 - Money Market account - \$54,657.93
- **Income**
 - MM interest - \$45.45
 - Transfer to MM account - \$4,000.00
 - Spring Registration
 - \$375.00 - Checks
 - \$1,465.28 - Paypal
- **Donations**
 - NTR
- **Paid Expenses**
 - **Debit card**
 - Cabelas/Bass Pro - \$1,815.00 x 2 launches
 - **Zelle transfer**
 - Marypat Mabeus - \$203.33 (Dominos pizza)
 - Angie Jeffcoat - \$589.04 (Winter conditioning t-shirts)
 - Betony Conte - \$1000.00 (boat deposit)
 - **Checks**
 - Leonard Insurance - \$3,860.00 (#26870)

Waiting on PWRC for Don reimbursement.

Secretary – Rebecca Jami –

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Director of Maintenance – Don Green (Acting)

- During Motor Maintenance we had to replace two props.
- Need to purchase more spares estimate \$90 Each.
- Let Betony know he goes thru about \$500 per month for maintenance during season.

Director of Operations – Don Green

- Still need six Chaperones to sign up for Pasta Parties
- All VASRA Jobs have been filled
- 1st Launch Training Completed Mar 8th and second is Mar 14th.
- Still have two launch boats that leak

Key Volunteer Position Coordinator Reports:

Uniform/Spirit wear Coordinator: Angie Jeffcoat

Uniforms should be here within the next week or two. Spirit store during that time too.

Website Coordinator: Jolene Edwards -

Breakfast/Food Coordinator: Tatjana D’Arcangelo

Will not do oatmeal or cold cereal and milk.

Mabeus asked to have a squeeze bottle of peanut butter instead of a jar as it grosses everyone out.

New Business

James River volunteers.

Next Meeting: April 8, 2026 @7:00pm via Zoom

Adjourned

Motion to adjourn: Mia at 8:28pm

Seconded: Ruth