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

Establishment of Quorum

Board Members:
Mia Simpson
Lauren Hensley
Rebecca Jami
Betony Conte

Key Volunteers:
Angie Jeffcoat
Tatjana D'Arcangelo

Additional Attendees:
Jessica Milli
Kerrie Golden
Coach Mabeus

Adoption of Board Meeting Minutes:
Motion to approve: Rebecca
Seconded: Angie

Team Representatives Report:

Team Members Present: n/a

Old Business/Actions

- ACTION ITEMS: Mia – Facilitate connecting new website volunteer with Jolene to get passwords/access so website updates can be made - **Completed**
  - **Coaches have requested the following:** Arbiter information front and center on the FPCREW website and link to PWCA for summer and fall program. Bring that to the forefront, and put winter/spring in background. This is very important.
  - 2026-2027 calendar dates will also need added to the website.
  - Meet with the school to identify the primary point of contact for reserving rooms.
    - Ashleigh Fitzgerald confirmed that **Cage** is the primary school contact for room reservations, with **Bricker** serving as an additional contact. Cage has already emailed Mia regarding the three upcoming events.
  - Work with Coach Kerrie to resubmit forms for previously requested upcoming events. **Completed**
  - Confirm the boat flip date with Colgan – add to calendar. **Still need to confirm**
  - Coordinate and schedule the Crew Interest Meeting - **Completed**
  - Connect Jonathan Leonhard with Kevin Mellencopf to discuss support for the incoming exchange student from Spain.
- ACTION ITEMS: Betony – still pending below
  - Meet with Ruth to obtain access to the fundraising accounts.
  - Partner with Mia to complete and submit the fundraising form to the school. – Start with Mr. Bricker & Cage
- **ACTION ITEMS: Rebecca**

  - Send Lauren and Jonathan the volunteer breakdown document. **(completed 9/14 – sent via Spond)**
- ACTION ITEMS: Jonathan
  - Share all board information and documentation previously provided by Don upon returning from vacation with Mia so she can record for future board use.
  - Follow up on past VASRA volunteer opportunities (previously coordinated by Don) and identify volunteer opportunities that can be used to encourage early volunteer commitments.
- ACTION ITEMS: Mary Pat & Rebecca
  - Clean up the Spond account by removing graduated members and updating group assignments. **Completed**
- ACTION ITEM: Mia & Coach Mary Pat – Coach MaryPat and Mia connect with Lauren to onboard.
- ACTION ITEM: Angie Jeffcoat & Sarah Clemens – Angie will work with Sarah Clemens to onboard as Uniform/Spiritwear Key Volunteer
- ACTION ITEM: Mia/Lauren Reserve space at school for:
  - winter conditioning meeting – October 7 **Completed**
  - Interest meeting for Crew – Jan 13
  - Crew registration – still pending
  - Crew volunteer meeting (mandatory) – still pending
  - Rent-Rower
  - Tag Day – Confirm March 7

Aug 28, 2026 - Digital BOARD VOTE to approve the purchase of

- one extra 8+ skeg & (2) 4+ skegs -Both types of skegs are $41.19 each from Vespoli. $41.99x4=**$167.96**.
- (2) short tubes = **$80.00**
- (8) pairs of new shoes at $80 each (H2Row) = **$640.00**

Rebecca Jami – motioned to vote to make these purchases requested by Coach Golden
Angie Jeffcoat Seconded the Motion
Unanimous YES vote from board.

Coach's Report:

Coaches Present:

- Mary Pat Mabeus and Steve Ward working Activity Fair
- Shoes & Equipment purchased (see above)
- Learn to Row Volunteers needed for this Saturday, Sept 12
- Coach Milli coordinating with MR. Bricker for PE class info sessions
- Medusa has rough, pitted tracks and may need new tracks (approx $100/pair – so soft launching a future request at this meeting)
- Proposing the purchase of a new 8 boat – we have Persephone and Panatos and the rest are pretty rough/beat up. We are expecting some team growth, so we should discuss. Also consider selling others.
  - How long does it take to find/receive a boat? Vespoli has to trailer it here, fall season keeps them busy – should not take too long after identifying which we want to purchase.
  - If new (when we ordered the 4) it can take up to 4 months + delivery schedule.

- ACTION ITEM: Coaches to start researching – revisit next month.

- Volturnus back and it's on trailer in parking lot.

Board Member Reports:

President – Mia Simpson

VASRA
Needs Volunteers
- River Rats
- Referees (Referees required to attend a clinic and 4 Regattas each season)
- Launch Boat Drivers need (each regatta requires 35 – 45 launch boat drivers)

Each team will have LOC positions depending on their size of team (25 – 26: FPHS had 2)
Pay the VASRA Fees (Due Nov. 15) and Regatta Fee- no change
Drone coverage will continue, but might have an increase on regatta fees or season
Need a Volunteer Coordinator

US Rowing might change platform

1st VP (Fundraising) – OPEN

Discussed Rent a Rower dates – moving to a (2) Saturday event – Nov. 7 and Nov. 14
find a volunteer to shadow Angie this year. Add to volunteer list.

Lauren volunteered to help with Spirit Night coordination;
ACTION ITEM: Betony to get Lauren a list of past locations

2nd VP (Registration) – Lauren Roget

Treasurer – Betony Conte

- Financials – As of 9 Sept 2026
  - Checking account - $1,716.75
  - Money Market account - $61,941.77
- Income
  - MM interest - $37.71
- Donations
  - NTR
- Paid Expenses
  - Debit card
    - NTR

Zelle transfer
- Tatjana D - $76.66 (outstanding food receipts)
- Checks
  - NTR
- Bank charges

- NTR

Still owe Ruth $676.13 for postage and toner

Secretary – Rebecca Jami

- **2026-2027 calendar dates –** are they confirmed/up to date – so we can add to website?

Director of Maintenance – OPEN

Director of Operations – Jonathan Leonhard

Key Volunteer Position Coordinator Reports:

Uniform/Spirit wear Coordinator: Sarah Clemens

- If we want winter conditioning t-shirts – we need to raise the price to $25.00
- No payment through Regatta Central – we must communicate to parents that payment option is not ONLINE with Regatta Central, must be paid by check or venmo to Forest Park Crew.

Motion to vote – Rebecca.
Second - Lauren
Vote yes to raise winter conditioning tuition to $25.00

Breakfast/Food Coordinator: Tatjana D'Arcangelo

New Business
Look for new/used 8 boat
Oct 7 Winter Conditioning meeting
Rent a Rower dates need finalized – Nov 14-15
Find a volunteer to shadow Angie this year. Add to volunteer list.

Next Meeting: October 14, 2026 at 7:00pm

Adjourned –
Motion: Mia
seconded: Angie
8:08 pm