Dear Members,

I have rowed and coached at all levels starting as a club athlete and racing at all levels until I made the national team in 1978. I began coaching at the club level in 1983, men and women with the University of Victoria and eventually coached at the local, provincial, national and international level.

I was a national board member of the Coaching Association of Canada for 4 years. As a board member we worked on implementing a coaching code of conduct for all levels of sport clubs (all sports) in Canada to use/implement. We also promoted women in coaching initiatives, pilot projects and lobbied government for support.

I have a BFA in Fine Arts from the University of Victoria. I am also a certified Level IV coach in the sport of rowing and I have a Diploma in Elite Coaching (all sports)

My career for the past 24 plus years has been in professional not for profit fundraising, marketing and communications. My organization raises 5 million annually to fund community social issues and programs.

I feel I can bring a slightly different lens to the Board of Directors based on my extensive rowing and fundraising/communications experience and I would hope my skills would be of benefit to the work of the board and the rowing community.

Sincerely,

Katie Burke