

Wildwater Committee Meeting Minutes
11-3-15
Meeting by Skype

In attendance: Tom Wier, Jennie Goldberg, Chuck Brabec, Michael Beavers, Denny Adams, Tom Popp, Kurt Smithgall.

Marin Millar provided input and a proxy vote for the 2016 Nationals.

1. Update on 2016 Senior Team Trials
 - Western Trials are on the Skykomish on Nov. 21-22. Few known participants. Organized by Marin Millar.
 - Eastern Trials on Dec 5-6 by Chris Norbury.
2. 2016 Junior Team Trials
 - Western Trials- Denny can run it, 3rd weekend in April, Last part of Shoshone and most of grizzly creek. Denny will verify the date.
 - Eastern Trials- Contact Hipgrave to see if we can do it as part of US Open this year. Normally last weekend in March. Tom Popp will contact Hipgrave to verify.
3. 2016 and 2017 National Championships
 - Proposal from Maine for the 2016 and 2017 National Championships (in conjunction with open boat nationals). The sprint course is long but the classic they propose is OK. Good, big water, not too hard.
 - Committee Comments:
 - We shouldn't approve 2 years; 1 year at a time
 - Maine is the only bid for Nationals in 2016
 - Attendance is likely to be low as Maine is a long distance from racing centers
 - Senior Team athletes will not be able to attend if they race internationally
 - Motion to vote on proposal to hold 2016 Nationals in Maine- Tom Popp, 2nd by Chuck Brabec
 - Vote:
 - In favor: Tom Wier, Jennie Goldberg, Tom Popp, Kurt Smithgall, Chuck Brabec, Michael Beavers, Denny Adams
 - Opposed: Marin Millar
4. Update on funds (ACA/USACK merger combination)
 - Our last official update on our funds was December of 2013 from USACK. ACA had office staff turnover that coincided with the merger, and we still haven't gotten anything from them, Except for an email stating that they thought Wildwater was approximately \$2K in the red. I've responded with all documentation we have, and am waiting their response. In the meantime, we will continue to hold any donation checks.
5. Election for 2016-2017 wildwater board:
 - The ACA office will supervise our election, but we need a slate of candidates and elections rules.
 - The current by-laws stipulate no rules for our election, so we will reconsider the new by-laws and determine how the election will proceed after the vote on the by-laws.
 - Slate of potential candidates:
 - Tom Wier
 - Jennie Goldberg
 - Denny Adams
 - Marin Millar
 - Doug Ritchie
 - Will Coggan
 - Michael Beavers
 - Jeff Owen
 - Nate Lord