

Wildwater Committee of the USA Canoe/Kayak Team Meeting Minutes

December 10, 2007

Held by Conference Call (Skype)

Attendees: Voting: John Pinyerd, Doug Ritchie, Ben Sandiford, Tom Wier, Shaun Smith and David Jones; (Rob Murphy submitted his votes for venues by email)
At Large: Seth Eisner and Ed Gordon; 09 WWC Member: Chrissy Zeltner

OLD BUSINESS:

August 24 Minutes: were introduced by Pinyerd (they are on www.usawildwater.com)

Overview of www.USAWildwater.com: was conducted by Pinyerd who challenged the newer WWC members to get to know it as it contains our Schedules, Minutes, Bylaws, Contacts, News, News Archives, Equipment, etc.

Treasurers Report: Jones reported that the balance is \$6,297.06. The last activity was 11/5/07 and was the transfer of \$2,500 back to USACK (i.e. our donation to the Jr Worlds deficit).

USACK Update & Fundraising (Jr Worlds deficit): Pinyerd reported that our efforts yielded about \$9,000 in donations and pledges for USACK. The WWC board considers the matter of the USACK deficit closed.

07 & 08 Boat Programs: Ritchie reported on the success of the first boat program from Zastera and the overall success of the program at the Jr Worlds. There are still several boats for sale from the Jr Worlds and they are on www.usawildwater.com. Efforts to secure a large boat order from Zastera for 08 appear to be hampered by rising cost of the Euro. It looks like we will have 6-7 boats on the order.

08 International Calendar:

- The Worlds are in ITA June 5-8 – Venue is same as 07
- Masters Worlds are to be included – Pinyerd to get confirmation and the schedule from ICF and ITA Federation.
- World Cups 1 & 2 will be in Karlovy Vary CZE (June 14-15).
- Word Cups - 3 & 4 will be in Lofer AUS (June 21-22).
- 08 Jr Pre-Worlds & 09 Worlds will be in SUI in July (target date is early to mid-July) – Pinyerd to try to secure information.

NEW BUSINESS:

09 International Calendar: Sandiford reported that the 09 World Cups in Tasmania have apparently been moved from Feb to Oct. Once this is official, this changes our need to have to have our 09 Team Trials selection at 08 Nationals.

08 Sr. Team Trials: By a 4-3 vote, the board chose the Cheat Narrows bid from the following venues:

- Cedar River/Seattle - March 15-16
- NRC/Nanty – March 22-23
- Cheat Narrows/Albright WV - April 5-6 (selected as 08 Team Trials site).

08 Eastern Jr. Trials: The WWC unanimously selected the Cheat venue for Eastern Jr. Trials.

08 Western Jr. Trials: The WWC unanimously selected Fibark/Arkansas River – Salida CO - June (13-15) as the venue of choice. (Note: if the Jr Pre-Worlds are held earlier in July we can pre-approve the Jr Team as needed and still hold the Fibark event).

08 Nationals: The WWC unanimously awarded 08 Nationals to Zoar Outdoor Charlemont MA, August 1-3, on the Dryway of the Deerfield. The venue was chosen due to the strong organization (by Zoar) and the optimal date of August 1.

09 Nationals: The WWC unanimously awarded 09 Nationals to Fibark/Arkansas River, Salida, CO – June 18-21, 2009. The WWC feels this is perfect timing for the event and a perfect time for us to help Fibark return to some of its former glory as an international race of choice.

Bid Award Distribution: Pinyerd to handle (note: completed 12/11).

Other New Business: Pinyerd and Ritchie will work with ODFL and determine if we need to set up a billing address for ODFL.

Next Meeting: TBD but not later than Team Trials.