

USA Canoe/Kayak Team – Wildwater Committee – Meeting Minutes

October 15, 2011

Board Attendees: John Pinyerd, Tom O’Sullivan, Tom Wier, Chris Norbury, Jeremy Rodgers, Kurt Smithgall and Seth Eisner. Numerous Guests included: Tom Popp and Emanuel Beauchard

7/24/2011 Minutes Introduced:

http://www.usawildwater.com/Committee_Minutes/WWC-Meeting-Minutes-110724.pdf

Old Business:

2012 International Race Schedule:

World cups are (to be confirmed)

- World cup 1 & 2 : Bosnia or Serbia May 26-27 / 2012
- World cup 3 & 4 : Serbia or Bosnia June 2 - 3 / 2012
- World Championships : La Plagne June 23 / July 1

The Eyrieux race should be international (May 12-13) followed by a training week on the Isère with water release. Some news about La Plagne 2012

<http://www.laplagnecanoe2012.com/fr/>

Treasurer’s Report: Tom O reported that the Jr. Team has repaid their prepayments and the current balance is \$4,230.55. Chris H presented a donation check from ACA for \$500. Seth reported that he may be willing to make an additional donation of a few hundred \$’s. This will bring our year end balance to approximately \$5000.

New Business:

Bylaws Change to reflect that even years have traditional World Championships with Classic and Sprint races and odd years have a designated Sprint World Championships. Tom Wier will head the subcommittee to evaluate: 1) What changes are needed? 2) Other recommendations?

Venue Bids for 2012 Awarded: The following venues were awarded for 2012

- East Junior Team Trials to the NOC/NRC (in conjunction with the US Open in Mid April)
- West Junior Team Trials to Denny Adams/Great Herron Racing Club – April 21-22 – Shoshone section of the Colorado

2012 Venue URGENT NEED:

Since we did not receive a Nationals bid, we elected to table Team Trials bids until we can figure out what our options are:

- Option 1 – Develop a bid for Nationals for April/May (preferable) and have Team Trials in the Fall – Chris N will work on the Cheat Festival as an option for Nationals and report back to the WWC. JR will also look at CO options.
- Option 2 – (less preferable) Combine Team Trials with the NOC Nationals bid Oct. 13-15

As a result, we tabled the Team Trials on the Brook section of the Deerfield River September 15th and 16th 2012 until such time as we can better evaluate our options and other bids???

Board Member recruits for next term:

- Nominations by Nate Lord
 - Tom Wier West Athlete Rep
 - Denny Adams Events Coordinator
- Nominations by John Pinyerd:

- Chair: Seth Eisner
- East Rep: Kurt Smithgall
- Webmaster (Newsletter Editor): Chuck Brabec
- Treasurer: Tom O'Sullivan
- Nominations by Seth Eisner:
 - Vice Chair: Jeremy Rodgers
- Note: Directors/Team Managers are chosen by the new board. The following individuals have expressed their interest in being selected by the new board as Directors At Large:
 - Tom Popp – Director at Large – Development Specialist – Jr Team Manager
 - Bailey O'Sullivan – Director at Large

Future Considerations for next years WWC:

- Split Senior Trials (to be held in conjunction with East West Jr Trails)? The topic will be reviewed by the subcommittee that Tom Wier is forming.

Next Meeting: By email. If necessary, a Skype meeting will be held