

USA Canoe/Kayak Team – Wildwater Committee – Meeting Minutes
January 22, 2012, 8:30PM EST (by Skype)

Attendees: Seth Eisner, Jeremy Rodgers, Tom O’Sullivan, Kurt Smithgall, Tom Wier, Denny Adams, Chuck Brabec

Old Business

- a) Welcome to the Board. Brief introduction by Seth
- b) Finalized 2012 Nats and TTs dates/locations. Denny walked through the final dispositions on our majors. Details can be found on our website: http://www.usawildwater.com/races/2012_Calendar.pdf.

Treasurer’s Report – Tom O

Tom reported that we are a few dollars shy of \$5k right now. (Later corrected to \$5,800.) Seth mentioned that he still owes \$300 to the account. Tom mentioned that we’re still expecting another \$500 from somewhere, but nobody could quite remember who/what that was from (Mike Harris maybe?)

Final Status on Bye Petitions – JR

Both Geoff Calhoun and Mike Harris have expressed some interest in a bye, and in touch with JR on the topic. We’re still looking for additional documentation from Harris.

Random Pontificating – Seth

Seth mentioned a new adjustments he might like to suggest to the Board at a later point. Specific areas he expects to bring up include streamlining decision-making, Board member areas of specialization, establishment of targets and metrics, and the perennial boat procurement problem. He also mentioned that he would like to bring at least two at-large members on the Board, and some names were offered up. Seth to follow up on those nominations.

Nationals Update – JR

JR briefed on Nats festival. Specific discussion regarding making Nationals in Jackson Hole a junior focused friendly event ie alternate junior start/finish location and prizes due to this being an off junior worlds year were approved.

2012 Budget Discussion – Seth

Seth had pre-distributed a draft of the 2012 expense-side operating budget, and sought feedback and feedback from Board. Several comments were made, and discussed. Seth will draft a new version which incorporates results of discussion. He will re-distribute new draft for email commentary shortly. Seth would like to have the budget complete by mid-February.

(Link to the approved budget: http://www.usawildwater.com/news/2012/2012Wildwater_Budget_Final.pdf)

Fund Raising for 2012 – Seth

Seth reminded all of us that times are still pretty lean where it comes to giving. Suggested we anticipate \$2k in charitable giving for 2012. More to come on this topic at next Board meeting.

Next Meeting: no specific date set. Targeting mid-March, 2012.