# **Minutes – USACK Wildwater Committee**

October 6, 2008 – 7:30PM ET

Attendees: Doug Ritchie, Seth Eisner, John Pinyerd, Chuck Brabec, Chrissy Zeltner, Tom Wier, Matt Lutz, Chris Hipgrave

Meeting Preface (provided by Eisner)

With recent resignations from the Board, Eisner noted that it would be prudent to take some time to make some phone calls and perhaps apply some different thinking to Board composition. Seth committed to taking that on, and would report back to the Board at the next meeting, scheduled for Monday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>.

## **Old Business**

### Treasurers Report:

Since Jones could not attend the meeting, he forwarded a summary financial report to all Board members. Key points: YTD Revenue ~ \$20.5k, YTD Expense ~ \$19.3k, Current Balance ~ \$5.4k. Jones also notes that USACK has not yet disbursed (to WW) its usual \$2k.

#### Past Event Review

Ritchie ran through list of major US 2008 wildwater events, and provided some opinions regarding.

### **New Business**

Upcoming Events (in 2009)

Pinyerd reports that Fibark, which will take place in mid-June, appears to be shaping up as the dominant domestic event for 2009. In addition to serving as Nats/TTs, he is already spending time with Ed Loeffel to shape this into a wildwater festival, of sorts.

In terms of Junior TTs, a call for bids has been made, and final decisions will be made at next Board meeting. As of this writing, Ed Loeffel has offered to host the W Jr Trails along with the Sr events. Two bids for E Jr Trials have come in. One from Nate Hamm for Slippery Rock, one from Chris Hipgrave for the Nantahala.

#### Website Host Facility Change

Brabec suggested that we re-locate WildwaterUSA.com to a different ISP. Doing so would provide some operational flexibility that we do not have presently. Cost to be  $\sim $150/year$ .

This was put to vote and passed unanimously.

## Bylaws Ammendment 5.

At the request of some racers Eisner put forth some possible language for an amendment to the exisiting bylaws. After brief discussion, the language was slightly adjusted, and put to vote. The specific language is as follows:

f.1. Uncontested classes will be defined as those having only 1 entrant. The entrant in an uncontested class may complete both sprint runs, OR the classic run and still be eligible to qualify as National Champion in that class, and overall National Champion.

Vote results: 5 in favor, 2 opposed. This amendment passes, and Eisner will make the necessary adjustments to the bylaws.

### **Site Sponsors**

Brabec ran through the list to make certain that the site matched the reality.

#### **Board Personnel**

Eisner asked that everybody who wished to remain on the Board please state as such. Additionally, if we knew of others who would be interested in perhaps joining the Board be mentioned at this time. Those on the conference call willing to serve on the 2009 Board: Brabec, Zeltner, Hipgrave, Lutz, Wier, Pinyerd, Ritchie, Eisner

Others we think might be interested: Tom O'Sullivan, Mike Hipsher, Denny Adams, Eric Young

# **Next Meeting**

Scheduled for Monday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008 @ 7:30PM ET. Eisner will coordinate.