

Minutes – USACK Wildwater Committee

November 3, 2008 – 7:30PM ET

Attendees: Seth Eisner, John Pinyerd, Chrissy Zeltner, Tom Wier, Chris Hipgrave, Tom O’Sullivan, Denny Adams

Old Business

Treasurers Report:

David Jones was unable to attend the meeting. However, he briefed Eisner with some a short summary just prior to the meeting. Current balance is \$3,467.50. Both Jones and Eisner estimate that, coupled with the 2008 carryover balance, 2009 fund-raising will bring likely 2009 funding to be in the \$12k range.

Board Staffing

At the previous Board meeting in October, Eisner requested 30 days to address the problem with Board vacancies. Eisner made the following recommendations for immediate action:

- move Chris Hipgrave into the vacant Vice Chairman slot
- move Denny Adams into the vacant Events coordinator slot
- bring both John Pinyerd and Tom O’Sullivan onto the Board into 2 (of the 3 available) at-large slots

Eisner also made a pair of other recommendations/updates to be addressed at the start of 2009:

- create an official position of “Team Manager” and slide O’Sullivan into that role
- since Eisner mentioned that he would like to vacate the Chairman position, move John Pinyerd to the Chair slot at that time. Eisner suggest the official handoff take place once the 2009 budget is worked out

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 Denny Adams walked through each of the bids, and provided recommendations. A quick vote was taken, and his recommendations were unanimously adopted. So, 2009 Jr Team Trials are as follows:

- West. April 25/26. Colorado River, Glenwood Canyon, CO
- East. March 28/29. Nantahala River, NOC, TN

Board Staffing

As mentioned above, Eisner brought two motions, both of which were unanimously adopted. The material details:

#1 – Effective immediately, the Board will make these appointments:

- Chris Hipgrave, Vice Chairman
- Denny Adams, Events Coordinator

#2 – Effective immediately, the Board will fill 2 co-opt (at large) positions with John Pinyerd and Tom O’Sullivan

Getting ready for the 2009 Budget

Eisner noted that he would start putting some shape to an early draft of the 2009 expense budget. He noted that there will be a short “budget” meeting on Monday, December 15, for those interested in helping to shape the 2009 budget. Pinyerd and Eisner committed to attending that meeting.

Additionally, Eisner noted that, if possible, the Board strives to lock the budget by End of January.

End-of-Year Status Report

Hipgrave and Pinyerd mentioned that the Wildwater Committee needs to provide a 2008 version of the annual status report to USACK. Eisner agreed to write this up.

Next Meeting(s)

Budget meeting. Monday, December 15th, 2008 @ 7:30PM ET. Not required that all Board members attend. Eisner will coordinate.

All-Committee Meeting. Monday, January 12th, 2009 @ 7:30PM ET. Eisner will coordinate and send out meeting notices as the date approaches.
