

## **Iowa Whitewater Coalition Board Meeting Minutes**

October 18, 2011, convened at 5:39 pm

NAI Ruhl & Ruhl, West Des Moines

**Members present:** Lyle Danielson, Peter Komendowski, Julie Mankel. Piper Wall participated via teleconference.

**Previous meeting's minutes:** Approved minutes of meeting on September 20, 2011.

**Treasurer's Report:** Modest financial activity in the past month. River Run Garbage Grab was wrapping up river clean-up reporting. Financial reports to be distributed to board members via email.

**Paddling Instruction:** Lyle will update the IWC website later based on information provided by Piper. She may be adding a stand up paddling (SUP) clinic, but the event will not be formally offered as instruction via the website. Piper submitted a cold water paddling article to the Central Iowa Paddlers newsletter and presented the topic at a CIP armchair gathering.

**Dam Safety Update:** Nothing new to report.

### **Other Business**

- After receiving additional information regarding the Des Moines River (bike) Trail, the board agreed that it was appropriate to focus its resources on water trails.
- Piper reported that Canoesport Outfitters has again agreed to host the IWC annual meeting at its expo in February, 2012. The main presentation will focus on celebrating the opening of the Charles City whitewater park
- Budget 2012: The board discussed the need to focus resources on publicity for dam safety matters and reimbursing potential expenses for river and/or dam safety experts at IWC events. Piper asked the IWC board to consider support for a collaborative project with Iowa State University engineering students that would install a gauge to publicly report water levels at Briggs Woods Park in Webster County. The board asked Piper to obtain more information from ISU advisors.

**Next regularly scheduled meeting:** Tuesday, November 15, 2011, 5:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 6:09 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Lyle Danielson.