

Iowa Whitewater Coalition Board Meeting Minutes

January 17, 2012, convened at 5:34 pm
NAI Ruhl & Ruhl, West Des Moines

Members present: Lyle Danielson, Julie Mankel. Dave Hillman, Peter Komendowski, Piper Wall and John Shultz participated via teleconference.

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

Treasurer's Report: Julie reported minimal activity at year end. She received communication from the accountant on getting ready for filing IRS Form 990. Lyle and Julie will work to finalize reports for 2011.

Paddling Instruction: Nothing new to report.

Dam Safety Update: Nothing new to report.

Other Business

- The board reviewed response from media and the public with regard to the “Help Restore the Maquoketa River” letter published by IWC in early January statement from Piper expressing opposition to reconstruction of the impoundment dam at Delhi, Iowa. The text focused on restoration of the Maquoketa and its value to all citizens of the state. After some discussion the board approved the letter and its distribution to all legislators electronically and by mail. The letter will also be posted on the IWC web site with text encouraging readers to sign on support. Peter will be the primary point of contact on interactions with the public.
- For the 2012 annual meeting at Canoesport Outfitters, Piper will produce a multimedia presentation of photos and video captured at Charles City during its first season of existence. Lyle will share his media with Piper. (Dave will be making a separate presentation at Paddlefest on whitewater paddling on Wisconsin’s Wolf River and at Charles City.) The position statement opposing Delhi impoundment dam reconstruction will be presented and distributed for support sign-ons.
- Lyle reported that there the River Run Garbage Grab co-chairs were stepping down and that new leadership has come forward. The board expressed appreciation and looked to continue support of the event in 2012.
- Lyle presented a draft budget which the board approved.

Next regularly scheduled meeting: Tuesday, February 21, 2012, 5:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 6:16 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Lyle Danielson.