

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

October 15, 2013, convened at 5:41 pm

NAI Optimum, West Des Moines

**Members present:** Lyle Danielson, Julie Mankle. Piper Wall and John Schulz participated via teleconference.

**Previous meeting's minutes:** Minutes approved for September meeting.

**Treasurer's Report:** Financial activity minimal. Statements approved.

**Paddling Instruction Update:** Piper reported on plans to hold rolling and paddle strokes classes at a pool in Charles City. ISU spring semester instruction in collaboration with IWC is in jeopardy due to last year's lack of interest and potential cutbacks in life guard pay.

### **Dam Safety Update:**

- Piper reported that the Ames 13<sup>th</sup> Street dam project has become more expensive than expected. Engineers want more money to prove model to will not increase potential flooding magnitude. Funding has become more difficult.
- Lyle shared an email report that the Elkader whitewater feature construction underway. The board agreed that is time to fulfill our \$1000 pledge towards construction.
- The Rockford dam was supposed to be gone in October, now looking more like December.
- Some discussion about reports that the community seeking permission for repairs to the dam at Troy Mills.
- Dam owners are open to removing the Quaker Mill Dam in conjunction with returning the river to its traditional bed. Levy breaches due to previous flooding resulted in rerouting of flows which are threatening.
- Quasqueton is looking to have its dam mitigated with an arched rock rapids project.

Discussion: Lyle reported that the Manchester Whitewater Project was nearing its fund raising goal. Board approved pledging \$1,000 to the project.

**Next regularly scheduled meeting:** Tuesday, November 19, 2013, 5:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 6:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Lyle Danielson.