

Iowa Whitewater Coalition Board Meeting Minutes

April 21, 2015, convened at 5:40 pm
NAI Optimum, West Des Moines

Members present: Lyle Danielson, Julie Kunkle, Dave Hillman, Peter Komendowski, Piper Wall, Ann Conklon, Dylan Verhoef (participated via teleconference or in person).

Previous meeting's minutes: Approved corrected March meeting minutes.

Treasurer's Report: Dylan reported several Treasurer items. All finances are in good shape. Financial statements will be distributed by email. Lyle reported on the status of our organization tax information we file with the State every two years. Dave Hillman needs to provide information for Bank account authorization to Dylan when possible.

Paddling Instruction Update: Piper reported on an upcoming IWC paddling instruction class for the April 25/26 weekend. Two students were signed up for the class at that time.

Dam Safety Update:

- Lyle shared brief updates on dam mitigation projects completed and noted a DNR webpage with upcoming projects.
- Peter checked on a possible dam mitigation action in Cedar Falls. No information was found to be available and the newspaper report is considered "suspect".
- Group discussion on the Mason City "close call" on the 12th street dam. Lyle requested we update the photos as Piper/Hillman would be in the area as part of the instruction activity.

Environment Stewardship Update: Approval of a \$1000 grant to Project Aware was discussed and confirmed.

Other Discussion:

- Lyle continues to be working tirelessly updating the various sections of the website as time permits. He added "search" functionality to the Dams map and was going to work on the Mason City location due to the recent low head dam incidents. Lyle also update several map details associated with the North Raccoon water trail.
- Peter discussed the upcoming Water Trails Summit including discussion topics, panels and schedule.
- Dave Hillman to finish up the Manchester whitewater park grant paperwork started by Lyle.
- The board discussed the purchase of a Lightning detector for use at IWC water related activities/events. After a good discussion, the Board approved the purchase of a Thunderbolt 2 unit (D. Hillman action).

Next regularly scheduled meeting: Tuesday, May 12, 2015, 5:30 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 6:15 pm.
Respectfully submitted by Dave Hillman