

Central Iowa Paddlers Board meeting minutes from April 4, 2006
Bob Johansen's place in Ankeny

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 9, 2006, at 6 p.m. at Bob's place in Ankeny

Attendance: Lynn Aldridge, Rick Dietz, Robin Fortney, Bill Graham, John Holzmuehler, John Pearson, Bob Johansen, Dave Kraemer, Don Probst and John Wenck

Previous meeting minutes were approved.

Committee Reports:

Treasurer: Bob reported \$1,905.88 in checking account. Bob has opened a checking account with Veridian Bank which has on-line reporting. Board will consider budget for upcoming year. Bob will bring details of past year to the next meeting for consideration. Robin reminded the board that the club was founded in February 1997 and suggested we consider a 10th anniversary celebration. One idea is to offer mini-grants to groups who have projects that support the club's mission.

Membership: Lynn reported 120 club members at the present time. Lynn and Bill each noted their concern with managing the member address and email list. Robin and Lynn will meet to draft a policy regarding the two lists.

Newsletter: Dave will contact Steve Parrish, club newsletter editor, and suggest that information important to the club should be placed at the front of the newsletter.

Web Site: Rick requests new information to be included on the club Web site.

Trips: Bill is cleaning up the email list and will start sending weekly paddling update messages soon.

Advocacy: Board discussed changes to the existing temporary state water trail coordinator position. The position is expected to change soon to full-time, but may include other water related duties.

Old Business:

Calendar: Board discussed our use of the weekly bulletin of events. Group decided to list paddling events that are planned by both the club and other organizations.

Outreach: Approved maintaining the link with www.paddlingowwa.com and Iowa Paddlesport Association. Robin will talk to Steve Anderson about connections between our groups.

Promotion: Bob suggested ideas for developing a brochure for the club. He and Dave will draft a brochure for board review and approval. Dave suggested that the board plan some summer safety events. The group also discussed offering a T-shirt and decals as promotion items.

Iowa Rivers Revival: Robin reported that the Iowa Rivers Revival held on May 4-5, 2006, was successful. There were over 100 attendees and the major outcome was a decision to form an Iowa river advocacy organization. Robin is serving on the steering committee to form the new group.

New Business:

John Wenck described the on-line paddling library that he is operating. He needs \$200 to build the site and use PayPal for electronic commerce. He requests support from Central Iowa Paddlers for \$100. The library will show available resources and when an item is checked out. Only members of the Iowa Whitewater Coalition and Central Iowa Paddlers will be able to use the service, and use will be by user name. Robin moved and Bill seconded a motion that we approve \$100 to support the on-line paddling library; motion was approved.

Bill moved and Bob seconded a motion that we support the 2006 Project AWARE with a \$250 contribution; motion was approved.

Respectfully submitted by Robin Fortney