

**Hoosier Canoe Club**  
**Minutes of the**  
**Board of Directors Meeting**

Tuesday, February 16, 2010  
G.T. Souths

**Attending:** Terry Busch, Jim Clendenin, Mariann Davis, Dan Evard, Sue Foxx, Kellie Kaneshiro, Theresa Kulczak, Suzi Rapp, Jordan Ross, Linda Smith, Matt Slagel, Jim Sprandel, Dan Valleskey,

**Welcome**

HCC Skipper Dan Valleskey called the meeting to order.

**Minutes**

The minutes of the prior meeting were reviewed and approved.

**Purser's Report**

To Come

**Newsletter Report**

Jim Sprandel published an eight page newsletter in February. 210 newsletters were printed and 188 mailed. The March newsletter will be bigger and will include a history of the club, as well as the Trip Schedule for the year. We hope to transition most of our membership to receiving the electronic version, thus saving the club hundreds of dollars a year in postage and printing costs, but life members will continue to receive a paper copy. Web Stuff: The updated officer's page and contact us page, with new emails, is up and tested. If you have any web suggestions, please contact Jim S. or Dan V. since they will meet with Roger this month. They are working toward dues payment online.

**Publicity Report**

Mariann is continuing to supply the liveries with our literature. Dan V. took this opportunity to compliment Mariann on the awesome history article which she wrote. Woot WOOT!

**Membership Report**

There are 170 renewals to date.

**Poolie Report**

Jordan reported that the turnout on Saturdays at the Ft. Harrison YMCA pool has been very good. The good news is that pool sessions will resume in March at the Thatcher pool which has just undergone a \$500,000 renovation to replace the pool HVAC and dehumidification system and patio doors. Locker rooms were refurbished and pool deck and locker room floors were resurfaced. Jordan has not yet located a pool for the Boat Demo Day but is looking into Lawrence North and the JCC.

**Triathlon Report**

John Wainscott was not able to attend the meeting but is enthusiastically awaiting Triathlon season when he will "rally the troops." It is hoped that our Club Flyers will go into the handout bags for at least one of the triathalons.

**Trips Report**

Executive Officer Terry Busch (with a little help from his friends) has done a wonderful job of pulling together a most impressive trip schedule with something for every ilk of paddler. Discussion led to the finalization of the 2010 schedule. This year's schedule will include a combo FW/WW trip at NOC led by Jim Clendenin on the weekend of July 9-11<sup>th</sup>. Several difficulty levels are available on the area rivers and duckies will be an option for those whose skill level will not permit kayak/canoe runs. This will be a great opportunity for the flat water and white water folks to get better acquainted.

### **Conservation Report**

Dan E. will meet Thursday, February the 25<sup>th</sup> with his committee (Kellie, Dan V. Sue Foxx) to work on details of the Fall Creek cleanup scheduled for June 5<sup>th</sup>. Fall Creek Millersville Valley Association may wish to coordinate with us for a shore based cleanup that same day.

### **Safety Report**

Jordan is coordinating the ERWWCK Safety clinic which will be the weekend of Aug. 14-15<sup>th</sup> on the East Race.

### **Further Items for discusson:**

#### Zero Drowns in 2010 – Safety Outreach

Theresa is investigating grant opportunities for funding and is using her contacts to have a poster designed. She and her committee will meet February 24<sup>th</sup> to move the campaign forward. Jordan has come up with “10 Dos and Don’ts for the poster. Theresa will write a “letter to the editor” in the fashion of a tribute to Ethan Runnels, who drowned last Valentine’s Day, for **Nuvo**. This should serve as a reminder to all to be safety conscious. Jordan suggested that we do a live safety demo at some point for one of the tv stations. Dan V. suggested that we place one of the posters in a kiosk at the Rocky Ripple PutIn. Nick Wilson (Troop #133) is building this for his Eagle project, and would be happy to have a little funding.

*Resolution that we donate \$100 for the Kiosk Project. Jim Sprandel made the motion and Dan Evard seconded it. The motion passed.*

#### Venture Crew

This paddling group for scouts ages 14 to 20 is now forming. The HCC will hold the charter and assist with training. The group will probably use loaner boats at first. Chris Rothenberger will be the advisor and Dan V., Dick Fetty, Dan E., Dave Ellis, Theresa have stepped forward as volunteers. All volunteers must register and have a police check (cost \$16.) First call out meeting for kids will be March 11<sup>th</sup> at First Friends Church on Kessler Blvd.

#### House Bill 1232 – Log Jam Removal

Dan V. and several HCC members have testified before a Senate committee to keep the present IDNR permitting process in place. Without this there is the potential for inappropriate dredging and mudslides. Flood control concerns could be exacerbated.

#### Big Pine Gage

Terry says that Ed Ragsdale has been meeting with homeowners in the area and his recommendation is to go slow. They are reluctant to have cameras and wires brought in. Maybe painting lines on a bridge abutment is what we can do now.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at G. T. Souths at 7:00 pm. Come at 6:30 if you wish to eat.

There was a motion to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Smith, Yeoman