

Saskatoon Canoe Club

Executive Meeting

September 5, 2013

Marion Graham High School

Present

Dave Peters

Brendan Haynes

Erin McVittie

Ann Popoff

Randy Chapman

Richard Jackson

Joe Welter (7:08)

1. Dave called the meeting to order at 7:01pm.

2. **Approval of Agenda**

T-shirts for Stroke-on-the-Water added to Social/Publicity. Adapted agenda approved as amended.

3. **Minutes of July 8, 2013** adopted as distributed.

4. **President's report:** Dave

- a) Insurance committee: Our decision is whether to get our insurance through CKS or to manage it on our own. Plan: get a price for equivalent coverage from an insurance company (an independent vendor).

Action: Dave will get a quote and check with a member to see whether this is adequate. This must be done before the AGM. Brendan will assist

Motion: Richard Jackson moves we get a quote. Brendan Haynes seconds.

Unanimous.

- b) Map Grant: Dave submitted one two months ago and will follow up on that. He will also contact CKS regarding the Map Grant.

5. **Membership:** Richard

Our Current membership is 588. Two more members than we had last year but still 13% less than our high in 2010 of 676 members.

It is interesting to note we had more members renew this year (+36%) than last year. This corresponds to a 10% decrease in new memberships. The ratio of adult to child remained about the same at 90% adult, 10% children.

No new members seemed interested in the "Stoke on the Water" Event. It seems that this is not the most effective venue to gain participants.

I have completed Tuesday night orientations for the year. Any new orientations that need to be given will be by appointment only.

Tuesday night activity has dropped off to only seeing 2 or 3 people, but the public are still joining. No volunteers were in attendance at any of the Tuesday orientations in August.

The Wiki is up-to-date with our Tuesday volunteers. This list can be consulted in the New Year so recreation coupons can be issued to those volunteers that earned them.

Richard purchased a trailer-wiring adaptor for the lights for the trailer, and fixed the sides of the trailer.

6. Treasurer: Joe

We are now registered as a corporation. Next year we will need this year's income statement and the balance sheet.

Larry Chapman reviewed our books, which are up to date to mid-August.

Joe is a bit behind on weekly registrations.

New boats: Do we plan to buy new boats for recreation? We need to see how much money is available to order both for Marathon and Rec. Erin will help with equipment selection and inventory.

7. Recreation: Brendan

Trips: Richard is doing a trip tomorrow. Ron went 2 weeks ago. There were not too many trips this year.

Repairs: None done so far (aside from the trailer). The castors are off the steps used to reach the higher canoe racks.

Thursday night paddles: Two canoes went out this past Thurs. The Thurs. night paddles are trailing off. Unfortunately the busiest time was when the water was high. Several nights had 5 or 6 boats.

Kendra leads tonight's trip. Brendan leads next Thurs. Erin can do the 19th and will e-mail the membership saying Thursday is still on, weather permitting. This is a good endeavor to keep up.

8. Marathon

New: Trevor purchased gear and it is at his house. **Sales:** He plans to sell 2 canoes.

Repairs: The seat of a white marathon boat is broken. One blue-topped C2 has a puncture and another is damaged in the front of the bow. Dave asks Randy to see that

these repairs are done by the 22nd (our rec.-mar. race). Randy agrees to see that the repairs are completed in time.

Saskatoon race-Eb's Classic and Cranberry Punch: The race went well-47 competitors attended. We had competitors from New Hampshire and Minnesota. The last provincially sanctioned race (our Rookie Race) starts at Craven Sept. 21st.

9. Equipment: Erin

Solo Canoe Sale: A photo has been taken and Erin will put it in Kijiji.

10. Social/Publications: Erin

Trip Tales the potluck is set for October 19, Saturday from 6-9:30, place to be found. The t-shirts look good-very green, \$353.76 (efficient and the right price for 36 shirts). T-shirts for Stroke on the Water are ordered. Erin will send this announcement out on mass e-mail.

11. Action items from last meeting

- a) **Memorial** for Byron: A bench would cost \$3,000, a tree less than \$1,000. Erin spoke with Meewasin: about \$50 for a shrub and \$150 for a tree. We will find out where the tree would go, and research an engraved brick to be placed near the boathouse.
- b) **Stroke on the Water:** Erin will handle refreshments and tables for them. On Sunday the laying out of the course for the rookie and the relay race can be done; participants can do the briefing and registration if some of us are there before 9am Sunday.

Trevor will do the routes and help organize the cold lunch. Water balloons will be used for the relay.

12. Next Meeting

Thursday, October 3rd, 7pm, Marion Graham

13. Other business

- a) We need to make a decision on Byron's memorial.
- b) We need to decide on whether to sever our relationship with CKS.
- c) Equipment inventory: amount of money for gear for marathon and recreation.
- d) Announce the AGM

Minutes by Ann Popoff

