

**Central Iowa Paddlers  
Board Meeting Minutes  
May 12, 2009**

Attending were Dick Howard, Lynn Aldridge, Bill Graham, Ray Knight, John Holzmueller, Ned McPartland and Robin Fortney. Missed was John Wenck.

Meeting convened at 6:30 p.m.

Old Business:

1. Garage Sale Fundraiser was scheduled for Friday, July 3, 2009, at Robin's garage. Bill will draft a message about the event with a request for donations to send out to the membership. The focus of the sale will be on recreational/outdoor things. Robin suggested having food (maybe for sale) for sale as well. Bill will ask Bret Weber to assist in organizing the event. Ray will take charge of getting things into the garage as Robin will be out of town 2 weeks prior to the event, but will have cleaned out the garage. Tables and cash box will be needed.
2. Robin agreed to send the 2009 CIP calendar to Mike to post on the Web page if it's not already there.
3. Board discussed the Thursday nights at Grays Lake and agreed that we need to include the event in a weekly email to the members. There was no support for a family paddling day.
4. Member list management was discussed and the board agreed that non-paying members should be dropped from the email and mailing list after 2 years of not paying member fee.
5. Robin reported on the schedule of events for the Des Moines River water trail designation on June 5 at 5 p.m. at Prospect Park. There will be a formal ceremony at 5 p.m., then the group can paddle or drive to River Bend neighborhood for food and drink, and then people can paddle or drive to the Botanical Center where the *Jon Anderson White* river boat will be docked and ready to take passengers for a river trip if water levels allow.

New Business:

1. Robin reported on the Iowa Rivers Revival's river rascal pilot program scheduled for July 25 and August 1, 2009. IRR is looking for experienced paddlers to support still and moving water instruction for six 10-14 years olds, and for six volunteers to paddle with the kids during the River Run Garbage Grab on August 15, 2009.
2. Ray invited the board to attend his and Kristin's wedding reception on June 6, 2009, from 4-8 p.m. in Adel. Congratulations, Ray and Kristin!

Committee Reports:

- Membership: No report
- At-large: Dick reported on DNR water trails advisory committee activities, including water trail surveys and availability of dam modification/removal and water trail grant money (\$800,000).
- Newsletter: John H requested feedback on mailings – May, July and Sep mailings will be folded as postage is cheaper than using an envelope.
- Treasurer: Bill reported \$1,630.50 in the checking account.

- Trips: No report
- Advocacy: Robin encouraged the board to respond to DNR's request for comments on UAA river designations and send an email to members.

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Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Next meeting; June 30, 6:30 p.m. at Ray's (Robin will be on vacation, but back late on July 2)