

USA Canoe/Kayak
Minutes of Meeting of Board of Directors
June 10, 2009
via teleconference

1. Call to order and determination of quorum

The meeting convened via teleconference at 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time with the following directors present:

1. David Backer
2. Marian Hanson
3. Joe Jacobi
4. Fred Mechini
5. Richard Perlmutter
6. Jenny Storms
7. Humpy Wheeler

Ross Flemer joined the meeting during the discussion of Item #12-2009.

Peter Newton was absent.

The following staff members were present:

1. David Yarborough
2. Bennett Wetch

2. Item #10-2009: Approval of recommendations for appointment to the new Nominating and Governance Committee

Motion: Humpy Wheeler

Second: Jenny Storms

To approve the recommendations of the previous Nominating and Governance Committee for the following persons to serve as members of the new Nominating Governance Committee:

- Elizabeth (Bunny) Johns – independent member
- Richard Hagler – from the sprint membership group
- John Pinyerd – from the non-Olympic membership group (wildwater)

Approved (7 yes; 0 no)

3. Item #11-2009: Annual meeting planning and next in-person Board meeting

The Board reviewed its resolution from the May 8-9, 2009 Board meeting, at which time the Board resolved to hold the USA Canoe/Kayak Assembly on the weekend of October 3 and 4 in conjunction with the slalom U.S. National Championships at the U.S. National Whitewater Center in Charlotte. After reviewing logistics of schedule constraints of various Board members and other options for holding the Assembly in other venues on other dates, the Board, by consensus, re-affirmed its decision to hold the USA Canoe/Kayak Assembly in conjunction with the slalom U.S. National Championships in Charlotte, with the specific timing of the Assembly and Board meeting to follow.

4. Item #12-2009: Mission statement/Strategic planning

The Board discussed the relative roles of non-Olympic and Olympic disciplines in the organization's mission, the organization's obligation to develop and support athletes capable of winning Olympic medals, and the importance of recognizing the dual constituencies of paddlers and event promoters in the organization's strategic planning.

The Board discussed the inclusion of both competitive paddlers and recreational paddlers in the organization's mission and long-term planning, and the Board debated the merits of several different potential versions of the mission statement to reflect inclusiveness.

5. Item #13-2009: Bank of America sponsorship – Executive Director update

The Executive Director will provide the Board with a written summary of the status of Bank of America's sponsorship.

6. Meeting Adjournment

Motion: David Backer
Second: Humpy Wheeler

To adjourn the meeting.
Approved (8 yes, 0 no)

The meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m. Eastern Standard Time.