**Vermont Paddlers Club**

**Board of Directors**

**Waterbury – The Reservoir Pub**

**10/9/2013 Minutes**

**7:00 PM**

* **Present:** Ryan, AJ, Hugh, Chris, Alden, Tony, John, Ben Shott and Nick Gottlieb
* **Administrative**
  + Review Board Calendar
    - AJ plans to look into NH Lakes Draw Down Schedule
    - Need to set date and plan for Fall Elections Meeting
      * 12/8/13 – Williston Federated Church
      * Nick Gottlieb will present
      * Need to get post cards together and out by 11/15
  + Board Elections – resignations
    - Mark Lienau is stepping down from Safety Director
    - Paul is stepping down from Secretary
    - Rest of Board is agreeable to a second term in their current roles
  + SOPs – how are the assignments coming?
    - NA
  + Mods to our web?
    - Nominate an officer page – Get up and live
  + Finances
    - Good – we are ahead of last year by about $400 (for a current total of~$3000)
* **Community**
  + Bow and Stern????
    - We need to get one together for the December Election meeting – Alden will put a call to arms and get it together in the next couple of weeks.
  + Welcome wagon??? Any new member notifications?
    - We will do a better job of reaching out to new members (Hugh will forward Ryan email addresses to make contact.
* **Activities**
  + Fall Meeting (Officer Elections) – See above
  + Fall Trips – Should we schedule some? – See above
  + Weekly Race Series – Nick is coordinating these for every Wednesday evening.
* **VT Releases**
  + AW Annual Spring Meeting in Burlington – anyone have any connections for a venue to host this? Send AW to talk with Ed Clark.
  + Coordination with AW - Status
    - Sheldon Springs – in holding pattern waiting for more natural flow to have a release
    - West Fest – AW and VPC are formulating a way to move this forward so we don’t have to wait until 2016 to get the ball rolling
    - Green River – We have submitted application to intervene with a new proposal for recreational releases.
    - Little River – status quo is status quo, we get water when we want or need….just by asking. Not a good project to rock the boat.
    - Connecticut River Projects Relicensing (Bellows Falls, Hartland) – FERC Relicensing process is underway and we have stakes in this to create better boating opportunities, play spots and scheduled releases (not random)
* **Looking toward 2014**
  + Pool Sessions – Burlington and Berlin – Start planning process in November
  + New Haven Race – Will be more of the VPC event than UVM for 2014…Planning is under way (First meeting was 10/28)