**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)