

Moxie Gore Paddling Club
2008 Fall Meeting
Moxie Gore, Maine
October 12, 2008

The meeting was called to order by **President Kim Hamlyn** at 10:30 AM, immediately followed by our Pledge of Allegiance. There were 17 Class A members in attendance.

The secretary's report of the Annual meeting minutes and the special summer meeting minutes was accepted as read and revised (there were a few typos which will be corrected in the versions posted to the club web site). Additionally a proposed new class A member form was passed around.

Treasurer's report:

There were 49 dues paying members this year.

Total deposits: \$2878

Expenditures since 4-08 : \$700 to Patti Hesse for First AID/CPR
\$42 to Bob Schott for stamps

Total: \$742

Anticipated expenditures: \$140 for chipper rental
(voted at summer meeting) \$ 11.79 dead bolt for clubhouse
\$140 for gravel

Subtotal: \$291.79

Other anticipated expenses \$681 for Insurance
\$146.30 for taxes

Grand Total: \$1119.09

Current Balance: \$3463.08

Projected Balance: \$2343.99

Motion was made and seconded to accept the Treasurer's report as read, all were in favor. **One update:** It was approved at the summer meeting to approve up to \$300 for culverts, however Barry Owens donated several salvaged ones, thus only \$40 was needed to buy connectors for these culverts.

Safety Officer's Report:

The puma is in bad shape, and one thwart is nonfunctional. A **motion** was and seconded to allot money to Helen to repair the thwart, all were in favor.

There are several Guide Trainees: Eric Davis, Roberta Davis, Patrick, and Joelle Corey. A cross bar holder was purchased to better secure the clubhouse for \$10.30, (\$10.50 was approved at the spring meeting for this). Bob mentioned that one oar was broken on the last running of the dead. Suggested we purchase a spare for each boat, which would be approximately \$50 dollars each, and 2 guide knives to replace ones lost while guiding for about \$23 each. Will suggested we might want to consider lighter oars for the small boat as they are very heavy due to the balance point on the small rowing frame.

A **motion** was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to purchase 2 oar shafts, one for each boat as spares.

A **motion** was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to purchase 2 guide knives for \$23 each, to replace lost knives.

Old Business:

The well has not been touched and still needs to be done. There has been difficulty getting someone to do this.

It was proposed at the Spring meeting to have a raft drive, this was not done. Peter said that Wells Rec made a \$500 donation, but he did not bring the check, and suggested this could go toward a new raft. Peter asked for clarification that a non-member can make a donation. The law states that anyone except a registered whitewater guide or outfitter can make a donation. Will mentioned that he followed up on the suggestion to check out Arc inflatables, and discovered that none of the websites except the one in South Africa are in existence.

There was a question of why the insurance was so much, and it was discussed that it was due to the remote location and the distance of any fire department who could respond.

A **motion** was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to look into prices and choices for a 5 person raft.

Bob went and got some catalogs and it looked to cost between \$2200 and \$3200 for a 12-13ft raft depending on brand. There was some discussion about the lack of available 10ft rafts that are self-bailers. The smallest Avon self-bailer was the \$3200 raft and it was mentioned that they have held up very well and have proved relatively easily repairable.

It was also mentioned that 2 throw ropes were in need of replacement. It was suggested to email members and announce a raft fund drive.

A **motion** was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to set aside \$1000 for a new raft and try and \$2000 more. The second raft would be purchased when the funds were raised. Checks should have "raft fund" in the memo line.

The zipper dry bags have begun leaking, it was suggested to see if LL Bean would repair them (they were bought there), and if not we would try to fix them, there was no motion on this.

A **motion** was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to purchase 2 throw ropes (\$45 each) and 2 pairs of Flip lines (\$20/pair) for a total of \$130.

The clubhouse still needs to be stained. Also the corner to the clubhouse needs to be jacked up after the meeting (PS this was done).

It was mentioned that propane hot water heaters generally last 6 years, and the one we have was purchased used a number of years ago, thus we need to look into replacement (around \$250).

New Business:

It was suggested we go to having one member book, with different colored forms for Class A. A **motion** was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to accept the new Class A form which would be a distinctly different color (and have a logo) while the class B would be white.

A **motion** was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to hold the 2009 fall meeting on October 11th at 10AM.

A **motion** was made, seconded, and passed unanimously to hold the 2009 Annual Meeting April 5th at trailblazers in Wells with first aid at 8AM and the meeting after lunch.

It was suggested that we send a thank you card to Barry for the culverts.

President Kim Hamlyn adjourned the 2008 Fall meeting at 11:58 AM.

Respectfully submitted:

William Schott, Club secretary

President: Kim Hamlyn
Vice President: Ben Schott
Secretary: Will Schott
Treasurer: Lynn Schott
Safety Officer: Bob Schott

The Board of Directors is:
Samuel Heffner, John Rock, Betty Pelletier, Peter Hamlyn, and Roger Smith.