WAVES OF HOPE – EXECUTIVE MEETING

June 10, 2002, at 6:30 pm Public Health Conference Room

PRESENT: Helen Forsyth – chair, Marie Greeniaus, Edna Verhelst, Eunice Kufflick, Marg Stirling, Joyce Johnson, Sheila Taylor, Mary Pearce, Willa Fowles, Sharon Young, Helen Rankin (arrived after finishing working her shift)

Meeting Called to Order at 6:40pm

1. Welcome – Helen Forsyth

2. Additions to Agenda

- 7.4 Practice Prayer
- 7.5 Drummer safety

3. Correspondence

- 3.1 Letter from Manitoba Dragon Boat Festival welcomes Waves of Hope to the race
- 3.2 CBCN Receipt
- 3.3 Review of insurance/registration has been done

4.O Minutes of April 29, 2002 Meeting

Motion: to accept minutes as circulated – Marie

5.0 Business Arising from Minutes

- 5.1 Job description/review
- **5.1.1** Trainer Colleen feels she is not experienced enough to teach paddling
- **5.1.2** Fund-Raising Sharon says okay as is
- **5.1.3 Team Spirit** Edna says okay as is
- **5.1.4 Phone Committee** Joyce says okay as is
- **5.1.5** Team Attire Sheila says okay as is

6.0 Committee Chairs Quick Roundabout

- **6.1 Finance** Helen Rankin not at meeting until later
- **6.2 Fund-Raising** Sharon Young
- **6.2.1** Cards What do we charge? Should there be 4 different cards in package? **MOTION:** That we charge \$6. for package of four cards,

Joyce/Willa - carried

Agreed that each package will have four different cards in it

- **6.2.2** Raffle will be held in the fall, draw at Christmas party on Dec 6
 - Marie has a dragon pin which the team would use as a raffle item
 - Shirley is making Raggedy Ann and Andy dolls for raffle
 - Tickets should be available for our display at the Mall on Oct 4 and 5

6.3 Social Committee – Eunice Kufflick

- 6.3.1 Account for last social submitted to treasurer
- **6.3.2 Halloween Party** on October 30, Colonial Inn costume mandatory

- **6.3.3** Christmas Party December 6, Colonial Inn
- 6.3.4 UCT has offered to put on a barbecue at our Minnedosa practice, Marie will up on this
 - **6.3.5 Pot Luck** at Eunice's home at Clear Lake, end of July or August

6.4 Team Spirit and Support - Edna Verhelst

6.4.1 Edna does a gardening column in the Manitoba Cooperator, and has been asked to write an article on our team, should appear towards end of July. Permission was given for her to use materials from our team as needed

6.5 Public Relations and Parade – Mary Pearce

- **6.5.1** Traveller's Day Parade June 15 our position in the parade is 2.8
 - We are not allowed to distribute **anything** during our walk in the parade
 - Drummer in boat in parade we will try it at our practice on Wednesday
 - Nifty Needlers sign will be brought to practice by Kathy Cameron
 - Banner will be carried in front of truck
 - Starts at 5th & Rosser, we should be there at 9:30 am
 - Penny is working on flags/pennants but likely not ready for parade
 - Videotaping Helen Forsyth will ask Ken Dyck or Silvio Sboto
- 6.5.2 Our display board will be at the Mall on October 4 and 5
- 6.5.3 Banner is at Betty's, tents at Sharon's, display board at Sandy Lake

6.6 Phone Committee – Joyce Johnson

- 6.6.1 Ninette only 10 paddlers and no steersperson
- **6.6.2 Shirley Wowryk's paddle** she wishes to have it, it seems no decision has been made about price, if any, to paddlers who want to keep their paddles when leaving the team. Marg Stirling offers to catalogue the minutes by subject, Edna has copies of all past minutes which she will let Marg use.

6.7 Team Attire – Sheila Taylor

- 6.6.1 Our new t-shirts have arrived, there are 51 shirts, agreed to keep the extras
- 6.6.2 Head bands have been distributed
- 6.6.3 Wind suit jackets have been ordered

6.8 Newsletter – Marg Stirling

- still a concern about those who do not attend practices and do not have email. These paddlers are urged to arrange with someone to same the letters for them

6.9 Boat and Equipment – Willa Fowles

- **6**.9.1 The boat is presently at Harlene and Ken's place
- 6.9.2 Boat maintence will be Thursday, June 13, at Harlene's, at 7pm
- 6.9.3 Tents some cross pieces are broken, since the tents have not have much use, Sharon will ask Stan Werle about replacement on warranty
- 6.9.4 Training for steersperson is usually held in Vancouver in February
- 6.9.5 Seat cushions-there has not been too much interest

6.10 Festivals and Demonstrations

- 6.10.1 Metigoshe not enough paddlers cancelled
- 6.10.2 Pelican Lake not enough paddlers and no steersperson cancelled

- 6.10.3 Clear Lake Aug 11 we will ask paddlers through the newsletter and have a sign-up sheet at our next practice
- 6.10.4 Edna suggests that we do some of our Wednesday evening practices at one of the rural lakes, this would mean we only have one day out each week, and Wednesday is already set aside for the team. These demos could be written up in the local newspapers so that the locals would be aware that we are coming

7.0 New Business

7.1 Guidelines for Paddling with Other Teams

- Those who wish to join other teams, when our team is not going, have just done so on their own. Agreed to do not need a written guideline for this.

7.2 Business Plan – Sharon has revised the plan

Motion: to adopt the revised Business Plan Willa/Eunice - carried

7.3 Training Session

Motion: That we send our steersperson and trainer to Vancouver training session Sharon/Marg S. – carried

Helen Forsyth will call Colleen and discuss this with her

7.4 Prayer at Practice

- After some discussion, it was agreed that we would have a "kindred spirit" moment, when each paddler would put their hand on the paddler in front of them and we would have a silent moment of meditation/prayer. If someone wishes to do an audible prayer, that would be fine too. If one of our team is having difficulty this would be a good time for prayer.

(aside by HN -this sounds like we should only pray when things are not going right)

7.5 Drummer Safety

- There is some concern that we have no one around to help us if someone falls our of the boat, and is hurt
- Suggested that when the water is warmer, we practice tipping the boat
- We should have a whistle in our boat during practice
- It is probably better for drummer not to hang on to drum when falling as that would take the boat and paddlers into the water

8.0 Next Meeting – Monday, September 9 at 6:30pm at the Public Health Conference Room

9.0 Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm

Recorded by Helena Neustater