

**BUFF Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**April 17, 2013**

**Attendees:**

**Board (11):** Duane Bentley, Steve Walker, Bruce James, Jon Kennard, Pete Moore, Ed Jones, Tom Agin, Ken Foltz, Ken Dixon, Bob Miller, Bob Mackey.

**Administrative Items/Proposals**

The meeting was called to order by Secretary Duane Bentley at 6:32 pm at the Springdale Community Center.

- Membership Health Concerns
  - Jeff McElravy had provided a note, read by the Secretary indicating that Lou Haynes has been diagnosed with cancer. Lou will be starting therapy, following further testing. A card wishing him well was signed by the BOD members and will be sent to him by the Secretary.
- March BOD minutes – A motion was made by Steve Walker, seconded by Tom Agin to approve the March 20, 2013 minutes as written. The Secretary will send copies to Bob Mackey and Ken Dixon who did not receive electronic copies.
  - **NOTE: After the meeting, Ken Dixon contacted the Secretary with a correction to the minutes:**
    - **“The BOD e-mail vote of March 3, 2013, was read into minutes:**
    - **1. Ken Dixon made a motion via e-mail, seconded by Jon Kennard that BUFF host a two-day Fly Tying Workshop by Glenn Weisner on March 16 & 17. The cost per attendee would be \$500/day, spread over the members attending the session.”**
  - **The Secretary has made the correction and forwarded that input to Ken Foltz.**
- BUFFER Proposal – Further discussion was held on the motion made in the March BOD Meeting:
  - **Provide an electronic notification to the membership of the BUFFER availability each month, and discontinue mailing the monthly BUFFER to those members with e-mail addresses.**
  - No negative responses have been received. **A vote was taken and the motion passed unanimously.** Jon Kennard will take appropriate action.
- Fly Show Contract – Bob Miller indicated that he had pursued setting a reservation with the Oasis for the location of next year’s Fly Show. The date of February 1, 2014 is open and has been reserved. The cost will be the same as 2013, \$4000, with a \$1000 non-

refundable deposit required. Following up on comments on the 2013 show with Oasis, the only substantial negative issues were relative to the food service (variety and ability to support the demand). The Oasis has committed to improve both and this item will be a part of the BUFF Committee's planning.

- **A motion was made by Ken Dixon, seconded by Ed Jones to approve the signing of the contract and expenditure of funds. The motion was unanimously approved.**
- Orvis 101 and 201 Fly Fishing Classes – Additional discussion was undertaken relative to BUFF support of the Orvis public Fly Fishing classes at the new store in Kenwood. As long as there is no cost or contractual obligation to the Club, there appears no objection to supporting these classes.
  - **A motion was made by Bob Miller, seconded by Pete Moore to send an e-mail to the membership in support of the classes. Input on the specifics will be provided by Bob Mackey to Ken Foltz. The motion was approved.**

### **Chair Reports:**

#### **Treasurer's Report** – Bob Gustafson

- The Balance Sheet shows Total Assets of \$40,830 and Liabilities of \$4,437. Net Income through March is \$12,818.
- In Bob's absence, the report was read by the Secretary. Major items:
  - Banquet meals income/expense will be switched to "pass-thru" in the April and subsequent statements.
  - The Glenn Weisner fly tying clinic cost (subsidy of attending members) was \$235.
  - Bob Mackey and George Fraley successfully completed an Audit of the club books on April 2. Report to follow.
  - A total of \$1370 in Fritz Backscheider memorials have been received and acknowledged, through April 15.
  - Club income tax filings (for non-profits) are due on May 15<sup>th</sup>
- **A motion was made by Ken Dixon, seconded by Steve Walker to approve the Report. The motion passed.**
- Bob Mackey stated that the financial books were found to be in order and he would provide a report on the audit for the May BOD Meeting.

#### **Membership** – Tom Agin

- Three more memberships have been received since the last meeting. The total membership is now 275.
- There are 16 members without e-mail who will be receiving the BUFFER via USPS.

- Duane Bentley commented on the action that he completed from the March BOD Meeting to provide Jerry Snider with a complimentary 2013 BUFF membership and shared the award & picture taken at Jerry's home. Further discussion followed by other members on the significant financial and service support that Jerry has provided BUFF over the years. It was recommended that the award and picture be put in the BUFFER along with a synopsis of Jerry's service. Duane will provide the picture and award graphics and it was suggested by others that Bob Gustafson and Jeff McElravy may be in the best positions to provide details for the BUFFER relative to Jerry's support.

#### **Communications** – Jon Kennard

- Need inputs on articles by Monday 4/22.

#### **Website** – Ken Foltz

- No issues. Any inputs on link failures or other website discontinuities should be provided to him.

#### **Trips** – Steve Bailey (no report)

- Ken Dixon is working the Sunny Brook trip. There are still six open slots, but this is the last week to sign up. The trip is May 3 – 5.
- Pete Moore discussed the North Carolina trip, May 15 – 19. Currently there are 18 people planning on going.

#### **Meetings and Speakers** – Pete Moore

- Mike Arnold is scheduled to be the speaker for the May dinner meeting. He is a member of the NKY FF Club. Mike will be talking about Muskie fishing in KY.
- Feedback was given on the April speaker.
- No speaker has been identified for June yet although Pete has several recommendations.
- Pete indicated that he is waiting for input from Jeff McElravy on confirmation that the responsibility for the July meeting speaker will be assumed by the NKY FF Club.
- Pete discussed the results of the 2013 BUFF Program Planning Survey. A summary of the nine page results was given. Major points were:
  - 24% of the membership responded
  - The majority wish to continue formal meetings through the summer months, including joint meetings with NKFF and MVFF
  - There is an equal split on wanting programs that are not fishing related
  - Suggestions were given on future program planning and will be assessed

- Pete will send out the complete survey results to the BOD and plan on discussing it further at the June BOD meeting.
- Comments were made relative to the need to obtain membership feedback on the overall satisfaction with the food service, since it has been approximately 18 months that BUFF has used the new caterer. It was suggested that an informal “spot check” be obtained at each of the tables next month to gage an overall assessment, and to provide that feedback to Jeff. It was requested that the President send an e-mail to the BOD one week prior to the May dinner meeting requesting informal input during the meal.
- Pete Moore indicated that Debbie Hampton would like to talk about Casting for Recovery at one of the dinner meetings. The BOD thought that was a great suggestion and it should be expanded to include representatives from each of the service programs, e.g. Project Healing Waters, Parky’s Farm, Veteran’s Tying and Talking, highlight the Library, and discuss the Education opportunities. Pete will incorporate this activity into his program planning.

#### **Education** – Ed Jones

- Updates – Parky’s Farm. BUFF is now storing fishing equipment in a locked closet there. The May 17 event is a problem since it is in conflict with a fishing trip and he is still in search of a leader for this date.
- Indian Hills – Dave Jones was there today. No response on how it went.
- MU – ILR. VOA Metro Parks were unable to support the complimentary fishing passes for the class members due to VOA’s administrative error and the inability to respond with VOA Board approval on short notice. Ed is moving the fishing to Mason Christian Village.
- Youth FF Class – Green Acres. June 26<sup>th</sup>. It still needs a leader. It is an orientation to FF, primarily to 10-12 year olds. Ed Jones will provide a note to Ken Foltz for general membership e-mail asking for support. Ed will also to send a note of regret to Green Acres, outlining the potential need to cancel this commitment if we are unable to find a suitable leader

#### **Fly Tying** – Ken Dixon

- Nothing to report.

#### **Library** – Bob Mackey

- Bob had sent out delinquent notices earlier in the year, regarding a number of late books and DVDs. That effort was successful in clearing up a number of open issues. Bob will repeat that action in the next few months.

**VA Outreach** – Dave Jones - No report.

**Conservation** – Jon Kennard

- Nothing to report. He will be doing some insect / invertebrate survey later in the summer, probably at East Fork and Little Miami. He will also be scheduling a couple of river cleanup efforts.

**Project Healing Waters** - Jeff McElravy

- No report

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- No comments.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Duane Bentley