

BUFF BOD MEETING MINUTES

August 20, 2008

(Prepared by Lou Haynes)

The meeting was called to order at 7 PM.

No membership health issues were identified. Dave Jones & George (Penny) Fraley confirmed they received get well cards from the club.

The July Minutes were approved without change.

The August picnic was reviewed and the attendance was around 50 members. The casting games were the highlight of the event. The major issue was the number of members who ordered meals but didn't attend. The club had to pay for these. The Raffel's bill was \$619 for the food and the meal income was \$470. The BOD needs to come up with a better way to handle this problem!

The BOD approved the new guideline regarding the Buffer Article Incentive Program with some minor changes to the draft. Jon Kennard is to finalize the guideline and send to Ken Foltz for posting on the web.

The BOD approved a free membership be given to the winner of the Buffer Article Incentive Program drawing (to be drawn at the January meeting).

The Miami Conservancy District sent BUFF a letter offering free maps to the Stillwater, Madd and Little Miami Rivers. Steve Bailey volunteered to contact them and request maps.

The Ohio Council of FFF has requested volunteer hour and expense information from us and the other clubs in the council. Roger Corrado will send our 2007 data to the OC-FFF.

Lou Haynes sent in the club registration info requested by the Ohio Attorney General's office.

Norton security software was renewed for the Acer laptop.

George Fraley discussed the current meal reservation system and recommended the phone reservations be included with the website reservations to simplify the meals list.

Lou will check with Debbie Hampton regarding this.

Bob Miller reviewed the banquet survey results with the BOD. Top line – most people are happy with the current program. Several would like a fly fishing-type speaker rather than a general speaker. The banquet committee will use the survey results as a guide to plan the 2009 banquet program.

A request was made for each current BOD member to let Lou know if they plan to continue as a 2009 BOD member. This info is needed to prepare for fall BOD recruiting needs.

The BOD discussed the partial replacement of some of our inventory each year – particularly rods & reels. Lane Stocker and Roger Corrado will do a rod/reel audit and report their finding. The results will be used by the BOD to determine how many rods/reels should be replaced this year. A recommendation was made to give the replaced systems to the Boy Scouts.

Chair Reports:

Treasurer: George Fraley reported that the IRS has requested additional information on Schedule A of our 2007 tax return. He will review and take care of this issue.

Communications: Buffer: Articles for the September Buffer are due to Jon by Monday, August 25th. Jon reported that he has received several articles from members since the article incentive program was published in the August Buffer. Website: Ken reported that he has standardized the Guideline & Policies documents on the website and will post the Articles Incentive guideline when Jon sends it to him.

Trips: Steve Bailey reported that he needs members to volunteer to lead Day Trips.

Public Education: Roger Corrado reported that Parkey's Farm Kids Fishing will start the second Friday in September and run through the 4th Friday in October. He will need volunteers to help.

Club Education: no report.

Fly Tying: no report.

Meeting Speakers: Randy Clark reported that Dug Henley from the Kentucky Fish & Wildlife Department will be the September featured speaker. Randy also reported that speakers are in place through the remainder of 2008.

Membership: Dick Naber reported on the state of the membership. There are currently 286 memberships, 191 single and 95 family.

Banquet: Jim Boude stated he plans to start monthly banquet meeting in September. One of the first items to address is the banquet meal.

Outreach: Dave Jones reported that the next VA Hospital fly tying session is scheduled for Thursday, August 28th. He can use a few more tiers and plans to send an e-mail request for helpers to the membership.

Conservation: Mike Bryant will prepare a list of potential organizations to donate some of the BUFF excess funds to at the end of the year.

Attendees: Lou Haynes, George Fraley, Jon Kennard, Ken Foltz, Steve Bailey, Jim Boude, Dick Naber, Roger Corrado, Randy Clark, Mike Bryant, Dave Jones, Bob Miller, Lane Stocker.