

BUFF Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

December 19th, 2012

(Prepared by J.R. Jackson)

Administrative Items / Proposals:

The meeting was called to order by President Jeff McElravy at 6:30 p.m. at the Springdale Community Center.

- Membership Health Concerns – Cards will be sent.
- November BOD minutes were approved.
- Mill Creek Watershed Council: Kara Scheerhorn of the MCWS expressed interest in having BUFF join the MCWS (at an annual fee of \$100), and/or to partner with them in advocating recreational opportunities on the Mill Creek. The council sponsors activities including stream cleanups, honeysuckle bush eradication, water quality sampling, and works in concert with the Mill Creek Yacht Club to organize paddling trips in the Mill Creek.
- Officers and BOD Elections will be held at the January meeting.
- Fly Fisher of the Year (Ed Jones): Seven people have been nominated thus far, and nominations will be accepted through the January meeting. The committee has also received suggestions to allow absentee voting, but decided not to do so due to potential logistical complications.
- Board of Directors Award (Randy Clark): Randy presented a draft of procedure for selection of the BOD Award as was discussed in the November BOD meeting, as prepared by Randy Clark, Steve Walker, and Phil Pursley (see below). Tom Agin motioned to approve the policy, seconded by Ken Dixon. The policy was approved. In keeping with our new procedure, three people were nominated to receive the award: Bob Gustafson was nominated by Steve Walker, Pete Moore was nominated by Randy Clark, and George Fraley was nominated by Ken Dixon.
- Mill Creek Watershed Council: Steve Walker asked whether the board was interested in voting on whether to join the MCWC. After discussion, the board unanimously agreed that the council's mission aligned well with BUFF's own, and agreed to become a member of the council as a club.
- Ohio Council of Federation of Fly Fishers (Jeff McElravy): Jeff spoke with Jim Stone (President of the Ohio Council) about the BOD's concerns regarding a desire to see more direct activity from the Ohio Council in the future. Jim agreed that our concerns were valid and are being addressed, and both he and Jeff agree that both the Ohio Council, as well as the national FFF are under reorganization, and that we will see better results in the near future. Specifically, there will be an Ohio Chapter-sponsored Warm Water Conclave held on Clear Fork in July. Also, Ed Jones agreed to sit on the Ohio Council as a BUFF representative, along with Jeff.

Chair Reports

- Treasurer (Bob Gustafson): Through November, we have an income of \$28,056.81, and expenses of \$24,673.93. Also, Ken Dixon had offered to donate the amount of money by which the Beginner's Fly Tying class exceeded its budget. The treasurer requested that Ken be reimbursed for the full cost of the class. A motion was made by Randy Clark and seconded by Walter Leap to approve the reimbursement. The 2013 budget was also presented and approved by the board. A motion was also made to redirect funds from BUFF account 2150, which was created with funds from 2012 FFS booth rentals and the Jerry Snider bamboo rod raffle for the purpose of bringing in a "big name" speaker for the 2013 show, to the club's general income. The board voted to redirect currently existing account 2150 funds (which greatly exceeded that which was required for Mr. Morris this year) and revenue from 2013 booth rentals to the general fund. Income from Jerry Snider's 2013 bamboo raffle will be placed into account 2150 for use in future fly shows.
- Fly Show Committee (Bob Gustafson): 33 Buffers have agreed to volunteer at the show so far. Ken Dixon added that the Skip Morris fly tying clinics will be held on the Friday prior to the show, and Walter Leap said that he had talked with a representative from the Dan Beard Scout Camp, and that they are also excited about the show and are distributing flyers to their contacts.
- Membership (Tom Agin): Membership is up to 286 total active members, with 102 paid for 2013.
- Buffer (Jon Kennard): Working on 2013 calendar.
- Website (Ken Foltz): No report.
- Meetings and speakers (Pete Moore): Speaker for the March meeting has canceled, and been replaced with a new speaker who will talk on the history of fishing. Pete has also been looking into putting a survey on SurveyMonkey to get a better idea of the types of speakers the membership would like to hear from.
- Trips: We are still looking for someone to take over the Spring and Fall Steelhead trips.
- Education (Ed Jones): Metroparks has agreed to allow us to use the lake at VOA for the Basic Introduction to Fly Fishing class we will be offering.
- Fly Tying (Ken Dixon): Each beginner's Fly Tying class was attended by 14-18 students. The Advanced Fly Tying class will be held from February 5th to March 12th 2013.
- VA Outreach (Dave Jones): The next VA session is noted on the 2013 calendar.
- Project Healing Waters (Jeff McElravy): PHW is going well
- Conservation: No report.

- Good of the club:

- Meeting adjourned at 8:50 P.M.

Attendees:

Board(16): Jeff McElravy, Walter Leap, Ken Dixon, Tom Agin, Ken Foltz, Jon Kennard, Pete Moore, Steve Walker, Phil Pursley, Ed Jones, Bruce James, Steve Alexander, J.R. Jackson, Dave Jones, Bob Gustafson, Randy Clark

Club Members: Jim Neckers

Guests: Kara Scheerhorn

Submitted by J.R. Jackson, January 13th, 2013

Procedures for Selection of the Board of Director's Award

The purpose of awarding the Board of Director's Award is to recognize an individual or individuals who have made significant contributions to Buckeye United Fly Fishers.

1. By December and/or January of each calendar year, the Board of Directors will nominate BUFF members deemed worthy of the Board of Directors Award. The person making the nomination will explain why their nominee is worthy to receive the award.
2. The voting for the Board of Director's Award will be on a paper ballot and will take place at the January or February Board Meeting. There must be a quorum present.
3. The president will select at least two people from the board to count the votes; they must not be a candidate for this award.
4. The president will be advised of the winner as well as the second place winner. If the first place winner will be receiving the Fly Fisher of the Year award that same year, the second place person will receive the Board of Directors award.
5. The winner's name will be kept secret until the president makes the award at the annual banquet.

Adopted by the Board of Directors.