

## **BUFF Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

March 17, 2010

(Prepared by Mike McCracken)

### **Administrative Items:**

The meeting was called to order by Roger Corrado at 7 PM.

- Membership health concerns – cards have been sent to Don Hogue and Tony Kalbli.
- February BOD minutes – approved by the Board.
- Picnic and Swap Meeting July 17th (Jerry Schatzman) – Jerry updated the Board on the use of Central Turners (off of Hamilton Avenue, North of Mt. Healthy, 2200 Pinney Lane, [www.centralstatereturners.org/Cincinnati/HomePage.htm](http://www.centralstatereturners.org/Cincinnati/HomePage.htm)). They would provide the food for \$10/person with children under 12 free. Soft drinks are included in the cost. We would purchase beer from them. The Board approved holding the meeting at this location.
- Sharing of Ideas with Other Clubs via FFF (Steve Bailey) – FFF cancelled their most recent meeting. Steve will bring the idea up at the next FFF meeting.
- Open Positions (Roger Corrado) – We are still in need of a Program Director. This individual would learn the ropes with Randy Clark and then take over the role. There is a committee that Randy has used which would continue as a resource for the new Program Director. Jeff McElravy volunteered to oversee any Education activities outside Lou Haynes' responsibilities. Bob Miller will be the new Historian for BUFF.
- BUFF Facebook Site (Andy Sutthoff) – Andy shared that we now have a total of 73 friends associated with the site. Andy had been approached by an individual building a database on floatable waters who would like to provide a link on our website. Ken Foltz will check on the individual's site and see if it conflicts with our avoiding links that are too commercial in nature.

### **Chair Reports:**

Treasurer (Bob Gustafson) – The numbers for the Show in February look like a loss of about \$900 versus a profit of \$962 last year. The loss had been expected given the weather issues we had this year which impact attendance. The March banquet showed a profit of about \$5,150 versus \$7,100 last year. See the Banquet discussion below in Chair Reports. Roger Corrado will share with Bob the owner of each of the budget line items.

### **Communications**

BUFFER (Jon Kennard) – articles needed by 22<sup>nd</sup> of March.

Website (Ken Foltz) – Ken indicated that pictures and articles are welcomed. He asked that owners of material shared on the website check and make sure their information is current or send him updated information to be placed on the website. Ken will note Bob Miller is the new Historian. Ken also indicated he would set up a mechanism on the website so that under password control, mass mailings can be sent to members from the site.

Trips (Steve Bailey) – The current plans for trips were shared. The information sheets for the trips are on the website. Steve had to develop three of the summaries on his own as trip leaders had not provided him with information.

Education (Lou Haynes) – Lou indicated he needed a Youth Director for Education. He will send out a note via Dick to the membership asking for interested individuals to contact him. The Fly Fishing 101 course is in progress with 39 people signed up and at least 30 in attendance each night. The Take Me Fishing event will take place March 29-31 associated with the Cincinnati Recreation Committee at Sawyer Point. BUFF will be participating in the event with the Northern Kentucky FF club. Lou needs 10 volunteers for the activity each day, but currently only has 2-3 volunteers for each day. The times are 10:30 to 4 PM on 29<sup>th</sup> and 9 to 2 PM on 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup>. Lou will send volunteers parking information. Lou shared the new eight foot table cloth with the Club logo on it which will be used at educational events. BassPro is very interested in working with the Club on a fly tying, fly casting, and fishing event for kids. Mike McCracken will serve as the point person to work with Tom Herr at BassPro.

Fly Tying (Jeff McElravy) – Jeff has been in discussion with Tom Herr at BassPro regarding a kids tying class. BassPro is busy with their current spring sale, but once this completed Tom indicated he will have time to work with the Club around the kids tying and earlier mentioned tying/casting/fishing event.

Meeting Speakers (Randy Clark) – Bill Schroeder will speak at the April meeting on the Little Miami River.

Membership (Dick Naber) – Dick shared at this time last year we had 258 memberships and currently have 251. We are down to 60 hardcopies of the BUFFER being mailed to members.

Banquet Committee (Lane Stocker and Bob Miller) – The Board thanked Lane, Bob and their committee for the excellent banquet. Lane and Bob agreed to co-chair the event next year. The Board agreed to leave the decision as to whether to stay at Receptions next year to Bob and Lane. It was agreed that new members joining late in the calendar year or early in 2011 can get the early bird special rate for registration. Bob agreed to get separate price information on the use of Receptions facility for the Fly Show and the Banquet for 2011.

VA Outreach (Dave Jones) – The upcoming dates are on the website. Dave is in need of additional help at these events. Bring your vise and tools. Dave provides the materials.

Fly Fishing Show – Roger will check to see if Mark Ringlsetter is willing to run the Show in 2011.

Conservation (Donn Rubingh and Mike Bryant) – nothing new to report this month.

The Board adjourned at 8:20 PM

**Attendees:**

Board: Steve Bailey, Mike Bryant, Roger Corrado, Randy Clark, Ken Foltz, Bob Gustafson, Lou Haynes, Dave Jones, Jon Kennard, Bob Mackey, Mike McCracken, Jeff McElravy, Bob Miller, Dick Naber, Don Rubingh, Jerry Schatzman, Lane Stocker, Andy Sutthoff.

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