

BUFF Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

May 16th, 2012

(Prepared by J.R. Jackson)

Administrative Items / Proposals:

The meeting was called to order by Treasurer Bob Gustafson at 6:30 p.m. at the Springdale Community Center.

- Membership Health Concerns – None
- February - April BOD minutes were approved.
- Metroparks agreement – Butler County Metroparks offered a reduced rate (\$2.00 per night) for fishing at the VOA lake beginning at 4 p.m. on club meeting nights. In order to receive this rate, the club must participate in 3 public education events with Metroparks annually. Ed Jones asked whether casting and tying at the Cardboard Boat Regatta counted as two separate events, which the board generally thought should be the case. Steve Walker added that he'd like to see the board encourage the general membership to participate in fulfilling this obligation.
- Joint Meeting – The joint meeting with NKFF and MVFF will be held on July 11. Further discussion will be held at the June BOD meeting after the committee has had a chance to meet.
- Banquet committee – George Fraley has agreed to chair the banquet committee. Bob Gustafson agreed to help.

Chair Reports

- 2013 Fly Fishing Show (Steve Horgan): Steve has requested board permission for funds for the 2013 show as is required in the by-laws, which was unanimously approved. Steve Walker asked why we are expecting much less income from the 2013 show compared with income from the 2012 show. Bob Gustafson responded that we received exceptional money for the 2012 show for the purpose of having a larger show with a "big name" speaker for the 2013 show. Also, a proposal was made to move the 2013 show to Oasis Golf Club and to approve Skip and Carol Morris as featured speakers; unanimously approved.
- Treasurer (Bob Gustafson): Federal and state taxes have been filed and receipt has been confirmed. Bob will also provide a financial report to the general membership at the June meeting. Also, Casting for Recovery has requested a \$2000 club donation for the upcoming year, up from the club's usual \$1000 donation. The increase in requested funds is due to CFR National asking for more money, and less grant money being available for our local chapter. The board voted to definitely approve our usual \$1000 donation, with the potential for more being given later in the year as funding availability allows.
- BUFFER (Jon Kennard): Articles for the June Buffer are due by May 21st.
- Website (Ken Foltz): No report

- Trips (Pete Moore): Had 18 club members attend the North Carolina Trout Quest trip, and reported excellent fishing. Alex Bell guided some members who reported excellent success. Ken Dixon reported 12 BUFF members plus Glenn Weisner went to Sunnybrook Trout Club, and also reported excellent fishing. Phil Pursley stated that there are five BUFF members signed up for the Pennsylvania Spring Creek trip.
- Education (Ed Jones):
 - An intro to fly casting class was held for new club members at Mason Christian Village, which was attended by 12 new members and 5 instructors.
 - A kids fly fishing camp will be held at Green Acres Foundation on June 19th, and has been covered as far as volunteers are concerned.
 - Paddlefest will be held at Coney Island on the weekend of June 21st. NKFF is hosting a kids fishing derby, and has asked for 10-12 BUFF members to help with the event.
 - Events needing BUFF membership volunteers will also be held at Eastern Hills Rod & Gun and VOA (Cardboard Boat Regatta) on July 14th.
- Fly Tying (Ken Dixon): August 11 and 12, a Classic Salmon Fly Tying class will be held. The class is limited to six tyers, and five spots have already been filled.
- Meeting Speakers (Pete Moore): Pete Armitage of Buckeye Sportsman will be our speaker for the June general meeting. For the joint meeting in July, outdoor artist Christopher Walden will be our speaker. Pete also suggested sending an announcement to NKFF and MVFF regarding our joint meeting, so that they can distribute information to their membership.
- Library (Bob Mackey): Bob asked who collected books and videos at the May general meeting...the board agreed that they had been collected, but no one was sure by whom.
- VA Outreach(Dave Jones): All is well.
- Project Healing Waters :No report.
- Conservation (DonnRubingh): The date of the first LMR cleanup may be changed, as it conflicts with the joint club meeting in July. Also, we still need someone to volunteer to head up the August cleanup. Bob Mackey, Steve Lily, and DonnRubingh joined the Mill Creek Yacht Club for a cleanup on the Mill Creek also, and reported a successful effort.
- Good of the club: Jon and Ken need menus for the June meeting.
- Three Valley Conservation: Cal Conrad and Eric Hollins gave a presentation regarding the efforts of Three Valley Conservation Trust to raise funding for an easement on the Fryman Property along Four Mile Creek in Oxford, OH. They appealed to individual BUFF members, and BUFF as a whole, to learn about their cause and to contribute financially if they would be so inclined. Further information can be found on the Three Valley website (www.3vct.org).

- Meeting adjourned at 7:55 P.M.

Attendees:

Board(14): Bob Gustafson; Steve Horgan; Dave Jones; Ken Dixon; Bob Mackey; Ed Jones; Phil Pursley; Steve Walker; Pete Moore; Ken Foltz; Jon Kennard; J.R. Jackson; Bruce James; DonnRubingh

Guests: Cal Conrad, Eric Hollins

Submitted by J.R. Jackson, June 5th, 2012