

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

November 17, 2010

(Prepared by Mike McCracken)

### **Administrative Items:**

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

- Membership health concerns – none
- Roger reminded the Board of the availability of the nomination forms until December 31<sup>st</sup> for Fly Fisher of the Year and BOD Award.
- October BOD minutes – approved by the Board.
- Board positions for next year (Roger Corrado) – The following positions are new ones known to be opened for next year (see October Minutes for other positions open for 2011 BOD):
  - Vice President (currently Lane Stocker)
  - Membership Recognition (currently Dave Jones)
  - Fly Tying (currently Jeff McElravy; Ken Dixon has agreed to fill this spot)
- Budget for 2011 year (Roger Corrado) – Roger asked that each member of the Board responsible for a budget line let Bob Gustafson know that either it will be the same for next year OR confirm that will remain the same as 2010.
- Fixed Asset Report (Steve Walker) – Being worked and will be ready for review/discussion at the December Board meeting.
- Raffels Servers' Tips at December BUFF Mtg. (Roger Corrado) – Roger shared that in the past we had given \$350 to the servers based on \$50 per server with seven servers. There are currently eight servers. A motion to increase the December donation to \$400 to cover the eight servers at \$50 each was approved with a corresponding increase in the 2010 expenses.
- Education Budget (Lou Haynes) – Currently the Education budget is split between in-house education (net building, casting, rod building, and FF 101 course) and the external education events Lou leads. After some discussion it was moved and approved to move the in-house and external expenses under one budget line with Lou managing. Jeff McElravy will continue to manage the Fly Tying budget as well as the plans associated with the January 14 and 15 Tom Travis fly tying classes. Jim Boude has agreed to replace Tom Baker to coordinate other in-house education events which would cover one to two outside experts like Tom Travis coming in to provide training/classes for the members.
- Deby City KY FF event (Jim Boude) – It was agreed that the Club would not have a booth this year.
- Banquet Committee Advance (Lane Stocker) – As was the case last year, the Board approved an advance of \$1,500 to the committee for the purchase of items for the banquet. It was noted that commercial donations continue to be down so additional funds may be required for prizes. This expense will show up in the 2011 budget.

- Healing Waters participants invited to December BUFF Meeting – It was agreed that the veterans associated with Healing Waters (about 10 or 11) would be invited to the December BUFF meeting. If Tom Scheer is unable to coordinate the attendance by the veterans, Jerry Schatzman will do so.

### **Chair Reports:**

**Treasurer** (Bob Gustafson) – Bob sent out the balance sheet, income statement, and budget reports earlier to the Board. Highlights include the following:

- Acct 4010 – Membership Dues in Oct report included \$964 in prepaid dues for 2011 collected at the October meeting. This income will be deferred to 2011 and the account will be corrected in the November report.
- Donation made to Federation of Fly Fishers – Ohio Chapter (\$200)
- Contribution and Outreach Payments approved at the Sept and Oct meetings have been made to Atonement Lutheran Church (\$300), Casting For Recovery (\$1000), Fishing Has No Boundaries (\$500), Little Miami Inc. (\$500), Friends of the Great Miami (\$500), Northern KY Fly Fishers (\$250), Izaak Walton League (\$100)

A check request for Madmen Chapter TU has been received and contribution will be mailed this week.

### **Communications**

**BUFFER** (Jon Kennard) – articles needed by 22<sup>nd</sup> of November; good response to the articles in the BUFFER this last month. Jon reminded the Board that he needed information on classes like the upcoming Tom Travis fly tying class so that he can get the details in the BUFFER for the members to read. It was agreed that as in 2010, a name will be randomly selected from those contributing articles this past year with the winner to receive a free membership for 2011.

**Website** (Ken Foltz) – Ken information on past recipients of key BUFF awards will be updated. As a reminder, blanket emails to the membership can be sent by Ken or Steve Horgan.

**Trips** (Steve Bailey) – Steve shared a copy of the current trip plans for 2011 which are also available on the website.

**Education** (Lou Haynes) – The 101 FF course will be at the Springdale Recreation Center. Fishing with the kids at Parky's Farm in 2011 will start 2 weeks later (mid-April) and end 2 weeks earlier (mid-October) to coincide with the better fishing weather for the kids.

**Fly Tying** (Jeff McElravy) – Jeff shared that the recent Beginning Fly Tying class (Tuesday nights) had 23 people. The Advanced Fly Tying classes will begin in January. Plans for Tom Travis fly tying classes center on January 14 and 15 with more details on the specific class topics being developed. There will be a \$5 to \$10 fee associated with attending each class. About 10 can tie in each class with about 10 auditing. Tom will also be the presenter at the January 12<sup>th</sup> Club meeting.

**Meeting Speakers** (Randy Clark) – December speakers will discuss the rod making and net making classes sponsored by the Club.

**Membership** (Steve Horgan) – 91 members have paid their 2011.

Banquet Committee (Lane Stocker & Bob Miller) – Lane shared that ticket purchases are beginning (~25 so far). The discount rate will apply through December as was done last year. It was agreed that a blanket email should be sent to the members with a ticket request form attached.

VA Outreach (Dave Jones) – 2011 dates for evening tying with the veterans are on the website. Tuesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 6:30 PM is the next date

Fly Fishing Show – Mark Ringlsetter was unable to attend. A separate meeting will be held with Mark and interested Board members to see what we do to help him in finalizing the plans for the Show. Jeff indicated that three presenters are lined up for the fly tying presentations. The brochure for the Show needs to be ready by mid-December so we can get the information in the shops for shoppers to see during the holiday season.

Conservation (Donn Rubingh, Mike Bryant, Steve Lilly) – A leader for the July Little Miami River clean-up is needed. Don said there is discussions within the committee of monitoring invertebrates in a local stream; more to come later.

The Board adjourned at 8:20 PM.

**Attendees:**

Board: Steve Bailey, Jim Boude, Roger Corrado, Randy Clark, Ken Foltz, Bob Gustafson, Steve Horgan, Lou Haynes, Bruce James, Dave Jones, Jon Kennard, Bob Mackey, Mike McCracken, Jeff McElravy, Bob Miller, Donn Rubingh, Jerry Schatzman, Lane Stocker, Steve Walker.

Club Members: Ken Dixon, Marty Foltz

Submitted by Mike McCracken 3-Dec-2010