Buckeye United Fly Fishers Board of Directors Meeting

Springdale Recreation Center

November 20, 2013

Members present: Jeff McElravy, Randy Clark, Bob Gustafson, Tom Smith, Ed Jones, Ken Foltz, Tom Agin, Bob Mackey, Pete Moore, Phil Pursley, Ken Dixon, Jim Neckers, Steve Walker, Don Kail.

Visitor: Tim Williamson

Meeting called to order at 6:33 p.m.

**Health Concerns:** Pete Moore has been under a doctor's care but is doing fine at this point.

**Previous BOD Minutes** approved by the board with a motion made by Ken Dixon and seconded by Pete Moore.

**Board Member Information:** Bob Mackey is not going to run for the BOD next year. Members of the BOD who have not attended meetings on a regular basis over the past months will be contacted by President McElravy to determine their intent of running for office next year.

Some changes of responsibility in regards to the BOD and key positions were discussed. Ken Dixon has agreed to run for the office of President of Buckeye United Fly Fishers. This news was warmly received by all members at his meeting. Jim Neckers will take on the responsibility of Fly Tying Coordinator, Tim Williamson will be joining the board in 2014 and taking on the responsibility of In-Side Education Director, Jeff McElravy will continue to serve on the board as Director of Project Healing Waters.

Awards Committee: Steve Walker reported that he had six nominations in hand for four different members for the Fly Fisher of the Year award. He expects to have additional nominations for this award as the deadline for making nominations comes near.

Nominations for the Board of Directors award were not discussed at this time.

Bob Gustafson discussed the 2014 Fly Show. His projection shows a net profit increase for 2014 of just over \$1,000 more than the profit for 2013. We hope for better weather in 2014 as compared to the snow that occurred on the day of the show in 2013. Some Fly Show brochures were made available to board members with an encouragement to hand these out at various businesses.

**Banquet:** The banquet committee is looking to find table sponsors for the BUFF Banquet. The contact person is Cecil Osborn. The committee is considering a procedure for recognizing BUFF members at large (non BOD members) who have helped with the banquet. Names of volunteers who have assisted with the banquet should be provided to Jeff McElravy.

## **Chair Reports**

**Treasurer Report:** Treasurer, Bob Gustafson had emailed the treasurer's report to BOD members. Ken Dixon made a motion to accept this report and it was seconded by Tom Smith. The report was accepted by a unanimous vote.

Bob asked if funds from a special project account for speakers that has gone unused be transferred to the general account. Ken Dixon made the motion to approve and it was seconded by tom Smith. Motion was passed unanimously.

**Membership:** Tom Agin reported that we have 292 members on our roll, 191 are single memberships and 101 are family memberships.

**Buffer:** Tom Smith has a commitment from Project Healing Waters for a Buffer article. Articles for the December BUFFER are due before Thanksgiving (November24). Ken Foltz reported that Don Kail has been a huge help with the website.

**Trips:** Pete Moore reported that the steelhead trip to northern Ohio was canceled due to high water and unfishable streams. Pete is working on plans for making these trips a little more flexible since so much is depended on the current weather and stream conditions. Phil Pursley is working on a way to expand the Spring Creek trip to State College, Pennsylvania to include fishing in the Catskills of New York. Details will be posted on the website.

**Programs:** Pete reported that programs are in place through February of 2014. He is open to suggestions for additional programs. We just became aware that Glen Weisner and Wayne Sampson have been able to free up some time to present at our monthly meetings.

**Education:** Ed Jones was happy to report that he will be joined by Tim Williamson on the Education Committee.

**Fly Tying:** Ken Dixon reported that the beginner fly tying class will draw to a close next week. A room for the advanced fly tying class in 2014 has been requested.

**Library:** Bob Mackey reported that he has purchased two new books on the topic of saltwater fishing. One of the books cost over \$300 new. However, he was able to purchase a used book in good condition for only \$25. Mike Schmidt, (speaker at the November monthly meeting) donated two DVD's to our library.

**Conservation:** No report.

**Project Healing Waters:** Project Healing Waters is on face book. It was recommended that all board members go to this page and "friend it" for the purpose of support and making more people aware of what this program does.

Good of the club: Tom Agin would like to have a printer available at the Fly Show in February so badges for new members can be printed right on the spot and thus more new members could claim their badges the same day they join Buff. Several members said that they would be willing to bring a printer on Fly Show day.

Lake Isabella will be the last trip for Project Healing waters for the current year.

Bob Gustafson suggested that we provide a Christmas gift to the Caterers, Ronald Regan Lodge staff, and the Springdale Community Center staff to show our appreciation for all they do for us. The cap in spending for this proposal is \$500. Monetary gifts can be provided to the catering staff while fruit baskets will be provided to the other two groups due to rules about accepting gifts. Ken Dixon made the motion to carry out this project and it was seconded by Pete Moore. Motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.