

BUFF Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

October 21, 2009

(Prepared by Mike McCracken)

Administrative Items:

The meeting was called to order by George Fraley at 7 PM.

- Membership health concerns: none
- September BOD minutes – Andy Sutthoff took the minutes at the September meeting and agreed to send out a copy for review by the Board. Mike McCracken will send a copy of the 2009 minutes to Ken Foltz so they can be put on the BUFF website.
- Club banner (Lou Haynes) – Lou suggested it would be nice to have a BUFF banner (small one that would fit in front of a table) for use at events at which BUFF attends. It was agreed that this should be put in the 2010 budget with an estimated cost of \$200.
- Setting a date for calendar scheduling for 2010 – It was agreed that this needed to occur. Jon Kennard, Steve Bailey and Lou Haynes will coordinate a meeting with Roger Corrado.
- Registration for BUFF to attend the Kentucky Fly Fishing show (George Fraley for Jim Boude) – Registration for the show (\$40) is needed by November 1. The Board approved the expenditure.
- New cases for BUFF rods (Lou Haynes) – Lou showed us one of the Club's four rod cases. One case is being held together with duct tape (2 cases are OK and 2 need to be replaced). After some discussion, it was agreed that one new case should be purchased (Lou has the budget for this). This would cover the 15 rods that the club will keep with 8 rods being given away. It was thought that the rods would go to the Badin High School fishing club. Lou will check with Phil Pursley to confirm that the club is still active.

Chair Reports:

Treasurer (George Fraley) – We continue to be on track relative to the budget. No questions on the budget update George had sent to the BOD before the meeting.

Communications (Jon Kennard)

BUFFER – articles needed by October 26.

Website – nothing new to report.

Trips (Steve Bailey) – Trip leaders are needed for the Elkhorn and Natahala trips for 2010. The dates for the West Virginia (May 14th) and Pennsylvania (end of May) are set. The Cumberland trip (spring trip cancelled due to the high water flow) was this week. Fishing was slow due to warm water being released into the river associated with the dam construction work.

Education (Lou Haynes) – Fishing with kids at Parky's Farm continues through October with large bass being taken. The Cast and Blast event took place for breast cancer survivors on Saturday, October 3. The Indian Hills classes on fly tying and casting took place on October 22. Lou is expecting additional information from the Cincinnati Park Board regarding an event at Sayler Park in March of 2010.

Club Events - nothing to report.

Fly Tying (Jeff McElravy) – The Fall beginning class has had two classes on Fridays. The advanced fly tying class will be set up for 2010. Jeff will be looking for sponsors to help with tying appropriate flies for the advanced class. The scouts had a grand opening last week and the club was well represented. Gary Begley is putting together the spey fly tying class for November 7 (see the August BOD minutes for additional details).

Meeting Speakers (Randy Clark) – upcoming speaker will discuss the history of fishing with bamboo/cane rods.

Membership (Dick Naber) – We have 268 memberships per Dick's more detailed report provided to the BOD prior to the meeting. In Dicks' absence, Lou Haynes will work at the membership table at the November meeting.

Banquet Committee (Bob Miller) – Jim Teeny will be the speaker and will focus his presentation on steelhead fishing. He will also tie flies in the afternoon prior to the banquet on March 6th. Jim will use slides in his presentation. Randy Clark indicated he had a slide projector which could be used by Jim. The registration form for the banquet will be on the BUFF website.

VA Outreach (Dave Jones) – First date in 2010 will be February 23rd at 9:30 AM. Dave will have tokens for those attending so that parking will not be an issue.

Fly Fishing Show – Dick Naber suggested that since a significant number of the individuals who become BUFF members at the show never attend a monthly meeting, we hold off from making the badges until they come to their first meeting. It was agreed that this was a good choice rather than wasting resources on badges never used.

Conservation (Donn Rubingh) – As discussed at the July BOD meetings, BUFF will sponsor cleanups of the Little Miami from Fosters to Ikes 3x/year. Don will lead the Spring event, Lou Haynes will lead the Summer event and Steve Lilly will lead the Fall event. These events will include cleaning up trash between these two points and fishing. They will occur on weekends. There will be a sign on the river that notes that BUFF is helping to keep this stretch of the Little Miami clean. George Fraley asked Donn to come to the next meeting with his thoughts on how to spend the \$393.45 in the Conservation budget for 2009.

The Board adjourned at 7:33 PM

Attendees:

Steve Bailey, Mike Bryant, Randy Clark, Ken Foltz, George Fraley, Lou Haynes, Dave Jones, Jon Kennard, Mike McCracken, Jeff McElravy, Bob Miller, Dick Naber, Donn Rubingh, Jerry Schatzman, Andy Sutthoff, Steve Walker.

Submitted by Mike McCracken 28-October-2009