

BUFF Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

October 20, 2010

(Prepared by Mike McCracken)

Administrative Items:

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

- Membership health concerns – Roger will take care of sending cards to those mentioned
- September BOD minutes – approved by the Board.
- Board positions for next year (Roger Corrado) – Roger indicated he would assume Board members would serve next year unless hears otherwise from them. The following positions are known to be opened for next year:
 - President (currently Roger Corrado)
 - One At-Large (currently Mike Bryant)
 - Meeting Speakers (Randy Clark will assist a new leader for a year)
 - Ohio Council Representative (currently Steve Bailey)
- Donation to Northern Kentucky Fly Fishing Club's banquet – The Board approved a \$250 donation as was given last year.
- Trips for 2011 (Steve Bailey) – Steve asked that club members let him know if they want to lead a trip for next year. There will not be a Cumberland trip next year because of the unpredictable water levels which have caused problems with scheduling the last few years. Steve is working to spread some of the May trips to other months so there is less congestion in May. Roger Corrado and Steve will be meeting in November or December to finalize the 2011 trip plans.
- Fly Fishing Merit Badge (Bob Gustafson) – Bob shared that BUFF members he, Ken Foltz, Gary Begley, Steve Bailey and George Fraley had successfully led a group of 15 boys, 6 parents and 4 scout leaders associated with Boy Scout Troup 161 in a fly fishing merit badge project.
- Mailing BUFFER to members – the Board discussed the \$57/month being spent by the Club to mail to members that either don't have access to a computer or prefer to get it by mail rather than going to the website. A proposal to stop sending the BUFFER by mail was voted down by the Board. A second proposal to charge members \$15/year (Club cost) to receive the BUFFER by mail with mailing to future new members not an option was also voted down. The Club will continue the mailings. It was agreed that the next paper mailing (~45/month) would include a note asking if they would consider getting the BUFFER on the website

Chair Reports:

Treasurer (Bob Gustafson) – Bob sent out his report earlier to the Board. Mike Bryant indicated that he would send Bob a request for checks for Madd River and Little Miami River organizations which will complete donations approved by the Board last month. Bob also shared that the IRS has simplified annual filing requirements for non-profit organizations making less than <\$50,000 which

should greatly simplify the process for the Treasurer. He shared a copy of the volume of information which had to be filed this year.

Communications

BUFFER (Jon Kennard) – articles needed by 25th of October.

Website (Ken Foltz) – Ken reminded the Board that the mass mailing capability through the website was now operational and had been used several times in the last month.

Trips (Steve Bailey) – Steve reported that he has a changed date from Tom Herr for the Steelhead trip.

Education (Lou Haynes) – no report.

Fly Tying (Jeff McElravy) – Jeff shared that the first Beginning Fly Tying class (Tuesday nights) had over 20 people with about 1/3 being beginners. Experienced coaches are needed. Jeff indicated that whether there would be a class on election day was in question. The Advanceded Fly Tying classes will begin in January. The tentative dates for our guest tying instructor are Friday and Saturday January 14th and 15th. With a speaking presentation at the January 12th Club meeting.

Meeting Speakers (Randy Clark) – November speaker is set; see the website.

Membership (Steve Horgan) – Steve shared that the membership report previously published by Dick Naber is now available on the website so if interested, pull it from the website.

Banquet Committee (Lane Stocker & Bob Miller) – Lane shared that the committee is requesting presentation topics for the chosen banquet speakers.

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

Fly Fishing Show – Mark Ringlsetter reported to Roger that the plans are on track for the February 2011 Show. Please contact Mark with suggestions for speakers. Roger asked the Board members to email Lou Haynes and Mark suggestions on how we might advertise the Show. Jeff reported that there is the possibility that some of the vendors may come in the night before the Show and have paid fly tying classes.

Conservation (Donn Rubingh, Mike Bryant, Steve Lilly) – Don proposed that the Club donate \$100 to Ikes for the use of their canoes during our Little Miami River cleanups. The Board approved. Don will request the check.

The Board adjourned at 8:20 PM

Attendees:

Board: Steve Bailey, Jim Boude, Mike Bryant, Roger Corrado, Randy Clark, Ken Foltz, Bob Gustafson, Dave Jones, Steve Horgan, Jon Kennard, Mike McCracken, Jeff McElravy, Donn Rubingh, Jerry Schatzman, Lane Stocker, Andy Sutthoff, Steve Walker.

Submitted by Mike McCracken 28-Oct-2010