

BUFF BOD Minutes

October 17, 2012

Presiding Officer: Randy Clark Vice President called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

Members in attendance: Randy Clark, Steve Walker, Phil Pursley, Ed Jones, Steve Bailey, Pete Moore, Jon Kennard, Donn Rubingh, Ken Dixon, Steve Alexander, Ken Foltz, Bob Miller, Bob Mackey, Walter Leap, Jim Neckers, Bruce James.

Membership Health Concerns: A "get well card" needs to be sent to Roger Barton.

Previous minutes: Voted on and approved

Officer and BOD Elections, FFY (Fly Fisher of the Year) award, Lifetime Discussion

A proposal for selecting FFY was read and discussed. The Proposal submitted by Ed Jones, addressed concerns about the selection process for FFY. The importance of transparency in this process is an important issue. Ed Jones made a motion to adopt the proposal and it was seconded by Walter Leap. An amendment to change item 3 from **3-5 to not more than 5** was discussed. The change was voted on and passed by a vote of 14 for the change and 1 vote against. Ed Jones made a motion to add item 1.1 to the original proposal. Item 1.1 would have anyone on the committee who might be nominated for FFY to automatically remove their name from the nomination list. The amended proposal was asked to be voted on by Ed Jones, with a second from Jon Kennard. The item passed with a vote of 14 for and one against.

(See amended proposal at the end of the minutes)

Treasurer's report was voted on approved.

Buff's Contribution and Grants Study was discussed. Three valley Conservation Trust had asked for a donation in order to help purchase some land (Fryman farm) earlier this year. The board voted to gift \$1,000 to this item. Several other gifts and contributions were lessened from year 2011 so that the contributions and gifts would not exceed the \$3,500 amount budgeted for in 2012. The total amount spent in 2012 is \$3,480.

Fly Show: The Fly Show committee recommended that we raise the admission fee for the annual Fly Show from \$5.00 to \$10.00 per person over the age of 1, while children under 12 and scouts "in uniform" will still be admitted for free. Pete Moore made the motion to adopt the new admission price and the motion was seconded by Ed Jones. Ed Jones made a motion to amend the original proposal to keep the \$5.00 price for all children under 18 years of age. This motion died from the lack of a second. Ed Jones made the motion to add a fee structure of \$25.00 as a family rate. This motion was seconded by Pete Moore. This motion was voted on and failed. The original motion to raise the admission fee to \$10.00 per person with children under 12 and scouts in uniform free, was voted on and passed with a vote of 11 for and 2 against.

Membership: Ken Foltz now has membership materials. Two new members were added to our membership role.

Communication: The dead line for November "BUFFER" articles is Monday October 22.

Trips: The New York/PA trip of ten days had five members attend. Fish were caught on each day of the trip. Steve Bailey hopes to offer this trip again in a few years after the streams have had a chance to recover from the heavy rain storms that occurred there this summer.

Meeting Speakers: Pete Moore and Walter Leap reported that speakers for all of next years' meetings have been arranged. Scott Gobel from Wildcat Creek Outfitters will be our November speaker. He has donated a trip to the club. Walter and Pete are making an effort to get a mix of free and fee charging speakers for future meetings.

Education: Ed Jones had 6 or 7 members assist with the "Great Outdoors" weekend event. Indian Hill requested help with a special outdoors program. However, we did not participate due to short notice about the event.

The U.S. Sportsman's Alliance is partnering with the American Heritage Girls to send 75 leaders to the Cincinnati area for training. They are requesting volunteers to train leaders with fly fishing skills at Camp Friedlander on November 10 from 8:30 until 12:00 noon. Ed Jones will be asking for volunteers for this opportunity.

Ed Jones has proposed a class to be taught for Learning in Retirement through Miami University. This class will be taught at VOA Park and Ed will be asking for volunteers to help with the class to be held in the spring of 2013.

Fly Tying- Ken Dixon will hold the advanced tying class.

Library: Bob Mackey told a story about a person who had long over-due DVD's but has contacted Bob and will be making a sizeable donation to the club for retribution.

Conservation: No report

Project Healing Waters: A group fished on Tuesday October 16.

Good of the Club: Jim Boude is a little under the weather. A get well card from members would be welcomed by Jim.

Ken Dixon made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Steve Alexander. Motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

*Proposal for Selecting Fly Fisher of the Year*  
*Submitted by Ed Jones*

*I move that we modify our procedures and guidelines for selecting fly fisher of the year as follows.*

- 1. By November of each calendar year, the President will present to the Board of Directors a*

*recommendation for a Fly Fisher of the Year nomination committee composed of 3-5 BUFF members in good standing including at least one member of the Board of Directors. The Board will accept or amend the recommendation as it deems appropriate.*

*1.1 Serving nominating committee members will not be eligible for FFY for the year they serve.*

*2. The nomination committee will select its committee chair, determine its operating procedures, and solicit recommendations from the membership including rationale for each recommendation no later December.*

*3. The nomination committee will consider all recommendations and prepare a ballot consisting of not more than 5 nominees from membership recommendations and distribute ballots at the January or February membership meeting. Ballot selection should be based on service to BUFF, organization priorities and activities, and to fly fishing in general rather than personal friendships.*

*4. The committee will inform the President of balloting results no later than the February Board of Directors meeting.*

*5. The President will make the award at the annual banquet.*