

B.U.F.F. Board Meeting of April 19, 2006 Minutes

The April meeting of the B.U.F.F. board of directors was held at the Atonement Lutheran Church, 305 Cameron Road, in Springdale. The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:00 PM by President, Lou Haynes, and adjourned at approximately 9:00 PM. The next meeting will be on May 17, 2006 at 7:00 PM.

Board members not in attendance are indicated below:

Baker, Tom <i>Education</i>	Boude, Jim <i>At Large Hart Show</i>	Bryant, Mike <i>Conservation</i>	Chambers, Lee <i>Meeting Programs</i> ABSENT	Clark, Randy <i>Meeting Programs</i>
Corrado, Roger <i>Public Events</i>	Findley, Tim <i>Membership</i>	Fraley, George <i>Treasurer</i>	Hampton, Debbie <i>Outreach</i>	Hampton, Jim
Haynes, Lou <i>President</i>	Hider, Pat <i>Secretary</i>	Howell, Patti <i>Vice-President</i>	Huber, Bill	Jones, Dave ABSENT
Kennard, Jon <i>BUFFER</i>	Mackey, Bob <i>At Large Library</i>	McElravy, Jeff <i>At Large Fly Tying</i>	Miller, Bob <i>Banquet</i>	Panfalone, Joe <i>Website</i>
Prince, Don ABSENT	Rubingh, Donn <i>Public Events</i>	Svarda, Charlie <i>At Large Asset Auditor</i>	West, Ken <i>Education & Fly Tying</i>	

Other attendees were: Bruce James.

Items discussed were as follows:

Administrative Items / Proposals

1. Membership Health

Katie Huber has volunteered to assume the responsibility that had previously been assigned to the Treasurer, of sending cards and/or flowers to ill members or to the extended family of a member. Hank Gilliam and Bill Schobel are in our prayers as they continue to recover. Charlie Svarda was back at Jewish Hospital in Kenwood. BUFF members will be building a ramp to assist him in entering his house in a wheel chair. Donations will be accepted to offset the cost. Charlie is in the board's prayers.

2. Approval of March Minutes

With one correction to page 4, the minutes were approved.

3. Sun Shine Fund

Our guideline for recognizing ill and deceased members will be discussed at the next meeting.

4. Swap Meet and Picnic

A responsible party needs to be identified for the swap meet and the picnic. This will be on the agenda for the May meeting.

5. Pictures

Jon Kennard took new pictures of all board members present at the meeting. The photographs will be posted on the web site.

6. Budget Discussion

The BUFF fiscal budget year runs from May 1 to April 30. The available cash to for the budget was \$22,240. The club's expenses totaled \$26,050 leaving a deficit of \$3,760. In order to balance the budget, the following cuts were made in the amounts requested by each account owner:

Club picnic reduced from \$700 to \$400

Dinner shortages reduced from \$300 to \$200

Speakers reduced from \$2,500 to 2,000

Education reduced from \$2,100 to \$1350

Library reduced from \$350 to \$150

Conservation reduced from \$1,050 to \$750

Outreach reduced from \$250 to -0-

Banquet speaker reduced from \$1,500 to -0-

Mileage reimbursement for board members reduced from \$1,000 to -0-

A motion was made to approve the balanced budget and the motion passed.

The current budget provides for no donations. Previously Casting for Recovery received \$575 from the banquet. Depreciation was not funded. Projected income of \$24,450 would be used to fund next year's budget.

Suggestions made on ways to reduce expenses and/or fund some of the areas cut were:

> Raise due of entire membership in general.

> Raise dues only for members receiving a paper BUFFER to cover the cost of production and mailing.

> Eliminate paper BUFFER entirely.

> Purchase event insurance.

> Have members pay for the meal at the picnic.

> Designate some of the \$5,000 kept in reserve for depreciation

> Reduce or eliminate dinner shortages by reminding members to take only one plate at each dinner meeting and/or hand out the plates when members enter the buffet area and leave no plates at the buffet.

Report of Chairs / Owners

1. Treasurer – George Fraley

The balance sheet and income statement as of 4/30/06 are at the end of these minutes. Also included at the end of the minutes is the schedule of accounts payable.

Lou Haynes suggested that George do a demonstration of Quick Books at an upcoming board meeting.

2. Communications – Jon Kennard & Joe Panfalone

BUFFER - The deadline for submitting articles for the BUFFER was April 25, 2006.

Web Site – Before each board meeting, Joe Panfalone will send to each member a web report (i.e., hits, visitors). Joe informed the board that there is a glitch (technical term) with the web's browser and if the page doesn't open try accessing the web site through the Moxilla Fire Fox start page. Fire Fox may be downloaded free at www.firefox.com.

3. Trips – Patti Howell

North Carolina – Randy Clark is running the trip to the Nantahala River to fish trout in May and more than 40 members have signed up to fish for trout.

Kentucky - The sign up for the Elk Horn trip will be at the May dinner meeting.

Day Trips – A sign up for the day trips will be on the web site.

4. Education – Donn Rubingh & Roger Corrado

Donn:

> On April 5, a program was held at Indian Hills High School and 6 BUFF members participated in working with the students. Tom Shearer fished with the students.

> Six volunteers are needed for a program at the Springdale recreation center on May 18, 2006 from 1-3 PM. The program is for adults and seniors.

> On July 22 there is a program by Little Miami, Inc.

> Great Outdoors Weekend is happening in September. More to come.

Roger:

> Parky's Farm started on April 20, 2006. There will be big program at Parky's Farm on May 12 and May 19 from 10AM – 2PM each day. About 1,200 – 1,500 kids will attend and volunteers are needed.

5. Club Events – Ken West and Tom Baker

April 29 – Casting for Women

Beginning May 21 – Beginners Casting Class. Sign-up will begin at the April dinner meeting.

Ongoing – Advanced Fly Tying

5. Presentations – Lee Chambers & Randy Clark

May 10 – Kevin Morlock and Jed Litwiller of Indigo Guide Service of Walhalla, Michigan will speak on salmon fishing in Michigan with a spey rod. Randy Clark is the contact.

June 14 – Professor Cris Lorentz, Ph.D., biology professor at Thomas Moore College will speak on the environmental conditions (chemical, biological and physical) of the Ohio River. Steve Lilly is the contact.

July – swap meet outdoors. The person responsible for this event needs to be identified.

August – club picnic outdoors. The person responsible for this event needs to be identified.

September – A speaker on Steelheading.

October – A speaker on fishing in Alaska.

6. Membership

Membership total for the month is 288 with 5 new members, 1 lost member and 1 member reinstated.

7. Outreach - Debbie Hampton

Casting for Recovery

Debbie Hampton is exploring Sky Top Lodge in Pennsylvania as a possible CRF venue in the future. A grant of \$1,000 was received from the A.K. Steel Foundation.

8. Conservation – Mike Bryant

Nothing new to report.

9. Banquet – Bob Miller

The committee for next year's banquet welcomes new ideas.

By: Patricia A. Hider, Secretary
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BUCKEYE UNITED FLY FISHERS
SCHEDULE OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
APRIL 30, 2006

Casting for Recovery	525.00
Brandywine	<u>100.00</u>
Total	<u>625.00</u>