

## BUFF BOD MINTUES

August 19, 2015

Springdale Recreation Center / Springdale Room

6:30 to 8:30 PM

### Attendees:

**Present (10):** Ken Dixon, JR Jackson, Hugh O'Donnell, Tim Williamson, Jim Neckers, Steve Bailey, Tom Smith, L James Boude, Bob Gustafson, and Phil Pursley,

**Absent (10):** Bob Miller, Ed Jones, Sue Jones, Bryan Tudor, Don Kail, Jeff McElravy, Pete Moore, George Hupp, Jim Hampton, and Ken Foltz

The meeting was called to order at 6:42 pm.

### Administration Items:

- Membership health concerns? Is there anyone to whom we need to send a BUFF card?
  - Glen Wisner wife's father passed away. The club will send a card (check address from web site).
  - Jim Neckers' wife's mother had blood clot.
- July BOD Meeting Minutes approval: A motion to approve the minutes was made by Jim Boude and seconded by Tom Smith. The motion was approved.
- Thank you cards to the club should be kept and displayed at membership meeting starting September 2015.
- Treasurer Reports
  - A motion to approve the Treasurer's report was made by Steve Bailey and seconded by Tom Smith. The motion was approved.

### Action Items:

- VOA Caterers & AYS – Bob Gustafson
  - Claudia Whitaker of VOA MetroPark informed Bob Gustafson of the new select catering choices. The MetroPark board narrowed the vendor pool size to three choices. AtYourService (AYS) will not be a select vendor in 2016. AYS paperwork timing may have been the selection issue. Their contract runs out in December. An appeal is possible.
  - The Board considered criteria for any food service contract. The criteria include i) providing the menu prior to publishing Buffer, ii) two entrees, vegetables, and desert, iii) quality, hot food, iv) food vendor provides a menu for the year, v) select menu for special needs, and vi) a price point of \$15 or less.
  - The Board recommends to interview the three new vendors. This action provides for our due diligence in selecting from the list or petitioning for AYS. The evaluation committee will include Bob Gustafson, JR Jackson, Phil Pursley, Ken Dixon, and Tom Smith. Bob will ask Sue Jones to join committee.
- 2016 Banquet: Committee Report – Bob Gustafson, Bob Miller, Jeff McElravy, JR Jackson
  - The Board recognizes that there are declines in the number of people attending the banquets. While the banquet is a source of funds for the club, it is recognized that 78% of money comes from auctions. This high percentage means that other avenues or venues for running the auction may be possible.
  - The other banquet categories incomes are approximately as follows: meals are breakeven; program event is a cost; and raffles income is small.

- The Committee recommends to forgo the banquet in 2016. In lieu of the banquet, the Committee recommends holding multiple auctions over the year. The auctions would be offered through the website in a manner similar to other on-line auctions, e.g. eBay.
- The other reason for the banquet is to recognize volunteers. In lieu of the banquet, the volunteers will be recognized at regular meetings.
- Another source of income is to modestly raise the Fly Show booth rates year after year to create positive cash flow.
- No decision regarding the Banquet was made at this meeting with the item tabled until the September meeting at which time the Board will need to make a final decision for the 2016 event.
- Steve Coomer Event Participation, Aug. 29 – Tom Smith
  - Six volunteers are needed to cast, tie flies, and talk about club. Brochures are needed. The event will be held at the Little Miami Conservative Center. There will be no cost for BUFF to set up table.
  - Tom Smith volunteered to be the leader for this event.
  - A motion to support the event was made by Jim Neckers and seconded by Tim Williamson. The motion was approved.

### **Updates:**

- 2016 Fly Show – Gustafson / Miller
  - The next meeting will be on Monday. A headliner is tentatively scheduled.
- Meal Quality at August Meeting – Discussion item – All
  - One comment – the meal was good.
- BUFF On-Line Clothing – Report Due to Board in September – Sue Jones
- Cabela’s Private Event on Monday 8-17 - Discussion item - All
- Cabela’s Opening Weekend – Casting Pond – Tim Williamson / Ed Jones
  - Timing including Setup & Teardown
  - Volunteers’ slots are full.
  - Jim and Tim to set up pond near RV parking lot. This location will provide for safe control of casting area.
  - Two hundred, 200, feet of hose is needed if the location is changed to the front of the building.
  - List of needs: Hoses / Pumps / Generator / Safety Chain / Canopy / Table(s) / Chairs / Brooms & Blower / Banner / Portable PA (Battery Powered / Brooms &/or Blower / Barricade

### **Director Reports:**

- Membership (Jim Boude)
  - The club expanded by 3 new family members and 1 new single in August.
  - There are 273 total active members.
- BUFFER (Tom Smith)
  - August BUFFER articles due 8/28/15. Articles are needed.
  - JR to write article on Brookville trip
- Website (Ken Foltz, Don Kail)
  - A new website (<http://www.2hook1.com>) is asking to include our logo, a short description of BUFF, and a link to our newsletter on their website.
- Trips (Steve Bailey)
  - Trip Leader Guideline Status was updated in email last week.
- Meetings and Speakers / Screenshots (Pete Moore / Phil Pursley)
  - Screen Shots should be sent to Pete Moore at end of month.

- The speakers may be rearranged to fill the December slot. Phil will be asking to switch the October speaker to December so that a new speaker can present in October.
- The February speaker is Dustin Harley. He guides steelhead and Salmon on St. Joseph River.
- Public Education (Ed Jones)
  - Regatta Update:
  - Great Outdoor Weekend at Izaak Walton Park on Saturday 9/26 (Sunnybrook trip overlaps) 10am to 2 pm.
  - JR will be the leader. Bob Gustafson volunteered to assist.
  - Springdale fly fishing for seniors on Tuesday 9/29. Need one or two additional volunteers.
- Club Education (Tim Williamson)
  - A new session on two-hand casting is being developed. A professional instructor is needed and Tim is in the selection process.
  - There will be a member fee to cover part of the expense for this instruction will be needed.
  - A motion to approve the instruction was made by Jim Boude and second by Bob Gustafson. The motion was approved.
- Fly Tying (Jim Neckers)
  - Jim will schedule a date for the beginning class.
- Assets & Library (George Hupp)
- Conservation (Bryan Tudor)
  - Stream Quality Monitoring Training (BUFFER article & Sept. Screen Shots)
  - 15 people attended. Two future dates.
  - Tom will ask Bryan to write a Buffer article.
- Project Healing Waters (Jeff McElravy)
  - Planning early September trip to Castilian hatcher.
- Women's Fly Fishing (Sue Jones)
  - Four women attended.
- NOC (Not Otherwise Covered) Items

**Adjourn** A motion to adjourn was made by Steve Bailey and seconded by Tom Smith. The motion passed at 8:13pm.