

**BUFF BOD Agenda
December 18, 2019
Springdale Rec. Center / Springdale Room
6:30 to 8:30 p.m.**

Attendance

Present (16): Jim Vota, Tom Britton, Bob Gustafson, Mike Redmond, Tom Bachey, Cari Vota, Hugh O'Donnell, Jeff McElravy, Jim Neckers, Mike Rubush, Don Kail, Ken Mandel, and Tim Williamson, Jack Gormley, Bryan Tudor and Jim Boude,

Absent (4): Bob Miller, Jim Hampton, Patrick Goddard, Steve Bailey,

Other (1): Brent Miller, James (Jimbo) Hunt

Administrative Items

- Membership health concerns? Is there anyone we need to send a card to?
 - Harry Pass's wife came home today from hospital - get well card sent
 - Card sent to Lee Chambers wife
- Previous month's meeting minutes approval
 - Bob G Gustafson proposed accepting last month's Minutes. This motion was seconded by Don Kail and passed by Board.
- Treasurer's Report (Bob G.)
 - November financial report emailed prior to meeting
 - Membership Renewals by Paypal are at a record pace
 - Auditors needed for 2019 Audit
 - Cari Vota will assist
 - Ken Mandel proposed accepting the Treasurer's Report. This motion was seconded by Mike Rubush and passed by the Board.

New Business

- Project Healing Waters update (Brent Miller)
 - PHW in Cincinnati / NK is going through a transition. PHW issued a Memorandum of Agreement for 230 programs to legally have one organization lead each Vet group. In Cincinnati, both NKFF and BUFF co-lead the group. This will not be accepted by PHW in the future.
 - NKFF was offered their own program or offered to continue as volunteers to the BUFF PHW lead group.
 - Currently, there are 32 volunteers from NKFF & BUFF serving 25 registered Vets. Sixteen (16) volunteers are from NKFF and may be lost; There are 4 – 7 vets in KY who might leave and join NKFF PHW group, if created in the future.

- A means to expand the Cincinnati Vet group could be to add a Saturday program to attract new volunteers and vets. This option could be alternating Tuesday and Saturday dates or a switch to Saturday dates. This option would be good for veterans and volunteers who work and cannot attend the weekday sessions. As an example, Indianapolis PHW runs a very successful program on Saturdays.
- BUFF has budget line for PHW. However, non-profit to non-profit expenses should be avoided for tax status reasons. A donation from a non-profit to a non-profit is perfectly fine and acceptable. This should be the means that BUFF uses to financially support PHW if needed. The expense line has not been used in some time.
- New life members (Jeff M)
 - Jeff is leading a committee to examine new lifetime membership (LTM). We currently have two potential openings. The committee recommends only filling one position at this time.
 - There will be a vote on at the January meeting for a new LTM. Please attend.
- Discussion centered on collecting (or not collecting) from individuals who signed up for meeting meals but who missed the meeting. This discussion was triggered by an individual who mailed in a meal payment for the meal that was missed. The result of discussion is that the club will accept the check as part of the effort to balance the dinner budget.
- Security needed for website. A budget element of \$85 is needed. Jim Boude motioned to add this budget item. The motion was seconded by Bob Gustafson and it was passed by the Board.

Updates

- Fly show report (Bob G.)
 - Financial Projection of over \$2300 excess over expenses.
 - Tying and Casting Workshops sales are underway; 54/108 slots have sold.
 - The January BUFFER will be a fly show special edition.
 - The next two show meetings will be held on 1/7 and 1/21.
- BUFF Banquet update (Bryan T)
- 2020 BOD changes / elections (Jim V)
- Annual Awards committee / nominees for FFOTY (Jeff M)
 - Voting will be held at the February general membership meeting
 - A non-Board member is needed for the committee
- Approve the 2020 budget (Bob G)
 - The 2020 budget statement was created by Bob Gustafson. Ken Mandell proposed accepting the budget. This motion was seconded by Don Kail and passed by the Board.
- Pre monthly meeting activities / fly tying / update (Jim V)
 - Jim Neckers to be the next individual to tie flies at the general membership meeting.

Director Reports

- Membership (Jim Boude)
 - Total Active Memberships 299 (includes 0 unpaid)
 - Single 198 including 4 Comp 5 Life
 - Family 97 including 0 Comp 6 Life

- Student 4
- BUFFER (Ken Mandel)
 - Special Fly Show Buffer Issue will be created.
- Website (Don Kail)
- Trips (Steve Bailey)
- Meetings and Speakers (Jack Gormley / Mike Rubush)
 - Kay Buchanan will be program presenter in January.
 - Mike Mehrle from The Frugal Fly Rodder Shop will be program presenter in February.
 - The Banquet will be featured at the March meeting.
 - Jen Ripple will be the program presenter in April and will also host a casting session.
- Public Education (Tom Bachey)
- Club Education (Tim Williamson)
 - Jacob / Parker considering program to discuss setup for various locations and fish type.
- Fly Tying (Jim Neckers)
- Assets and Library (Mike Redmond)
- Conservation (Tom Britton)
 - Nomination for yearly awards will be created.
- Project Healing Waters (Jeff McElravy)
- Women's Fly Fishing (Cari Vota)
 - Articles being shared with nearby club newsletters.
 - Three (3) cabins for Mohican trip are reserved and there is high interest in the trip.
- Screenshots to Jim Vota before the next monthly mtg
- Not otherwise covered items?
 - Bass Pro volunteers are needed.
 - Meredith McCord as future speaker and casting program.

Adjourn

Cari Vota motioned to adjourn and the motion was seconded by Don Kail. The BOD adjourned at 7:43pm. A safety committee meeting followed at BJ.