

**BUFF BOD Agenda**  
**February 21, 2018**  
**Springdale Rec. Center / Springdale Room**  
**6:30 to 8:30 p.m.**

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**Present (15):** Jeff McElravy, L James Boude, Bob Gustafson, Tim Williamson, Hugh O'Donnell, Bryan Tudor, Steve Bailey, Ken Speicher, Jim Neckers, Don Kail, Jim Klosterman, Cari Vota, Jim Vota, Mike Redmond, Phil Pursley

**Absent (6):** Jim Hampton, Bob Miller, Paul Juszczuk, Tom Abbruzzese, Tim Minton and Mike Rubush,

**2018 New Board Members (2):** Ken Mandell, Tom Britton, James Richie and Tom Bachey

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The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

**Administrative Items:**

- Membership health concerns? Is there anyone we need to send a card to?
  - None
- January BOD meeting minutes approval
  - Bryon Tudor motioned to accept the January 2018 Minutes. The motion carried.
- Treasurer's Report (Bob G.)
  - Financial reports thru January emailed ahead of meeting
  - January reports reflect show & banquet income & expenses
  - Square credit card processing is working well. Few transaction errors-all were caught and fixed.
  - Paypal processing for memberships and banquet sales working well
  - Costs of staying with First Data Corp credit card processing (old system) under review
  - Audit Team for 2017 books is Steve Alexander and Jim Klosterman. Audit date 2/28.
  - New Epson projector purchased for show tying demos (add to Fixed Asset List)
  - Tim Williamson motioned to accept Treasurer's report and the motion was second by Don Kail. The motion carried.

**Action Items:**

- Monthly Meeting Responsibilities discussion (Bob G.)
  - Need help at general meeting dealing with VOA staff and need someone to backup sales / cashier.
- 2017 BOD Award Selection (Jeff M.)
  - Ballots voted and collected at meeting
- Ohio ODNR Grant (Tim W.)
  - Proposal consisted of three items:
    - Casting accessories to be joint with MVFF
    - Casting pond for teaching casting
    - Teaching how to fish local waters
  - After much discussion to understand the grant, we decided to pass on the grant competition.

- BUFF Banquet (Bryan T.)
  - Agenda includes appointing board and banquet
  - Auctions will include fishing and family related offers

#### Updates:

- Fly Show Report (Bob G.)
  - Cleared \$4124
  - Outperformance because of both booth rentals and ticket sales
  - Ed Engel said BUFF Show is one of the best shows
  - Record attendance (849) and financial results at show (handout)
  - Positive exhibitor feedback; requests to pre-book booths for 2019
  - Show Debrief/Critique meeting held 2/16 (handout)
    - Team returning for 2019 show, pending BOD approval
    - Agreed to hold 2019 Fly Show at Oasis Conference Center (2/2/19)
  - Working to contract 2019 show headliner now
  - Next team meeting April 3
- 2017 Fly Fisher of the Year Award (Jeff M.)
  - Results will be announced at March meeting
- 2018/19 Officer/BOD Election (Jeff M.)
  - Installation of new board will take place at March meeting

#### Director Reports:

- Membership (Jim Boude)
  - 20 new members signed up at the show
  - 42 old members have not paid for 2018
  - Total Active Memberships 307 (includes 42 unpaid)
    - Single 207 including 8 Comp 5 Life
    - Family 100 including 0 Comp 6 Life
- BUFFER (Tom Abbruzzese) Articles for March Buffer due by the 20<sup>th</sup>
  - The length of the web based BUFFER can be expanded when just in electronic form
  - Tim Williamson motioned to stop physical mailing the BUFFER. The motion carried.
- Website (Don Kail)
  - New assistant is Jeff Pitts. His help on trips is greatly appreciated.
  - The Officers page needs to be updated. Please send new pictures to Don.
  - Bryon Tudor has financial obligations that restrict his signing of checks
- Trips (Steve Bailey)
  - JR has Catskills trip planned for the second week of September.
  - Jim Vota created a musky trip.
  - Any trip is welcomed but Steve wants to emphasize that trip details and forms are provided prior to listing the trip. Steve will help review the trip information to ensure completeness to protect both the individual and BUFF.
- Meetings and Speakers / Screenshots (Phil Pursley / Mike Rubush)
  - Wanda Taylor will talk on April 11. She will arrive from Georgia and she will conduct two casting clinics prior to the meeting. The target is two 45 minute clinic sessions.
  - Ted Nickolson from D&H will talk at the May meeting.

- We need a speaker for the August meeting.
- Screenshots should be sent to Jim Vota by the end of the month
- Public Education (Jim Vota)
  - Need volunteers needed on 3/3 for Fish Camp
- Club Education (Tim Williamson)
  - Fly fishing 101 has 22 people signed up for course. We need help on 3<sup>rd</sup> session for tying knots (3/19, Monday night).
- Fly Tying (Jim Neckers)
  - The class size is 7 to 9 people and five classes remain.
- Assets and Library (Mike Redmond)
  - Inventory is growing and we need to eliminate duplicate items.
- Conservation (Bryan Tudor)
  - Two sessions are scheduled for the upcoming months
    - Sat, 3/24, from 9-1 there will be tree planting of 750 trees adjacent to the GMR at Heritage Park w/ rain date in April
    - Sat, 4/21, there will be a float trip on the East Fork of LMR from 9-1 to clean the river. The meeting location will be the water district plant.
- Project Healing Waters (Jeff McElravy)
  - Yesterday the group tied super bugger with about 10 vets and 12 helpers
  - Two more tying sessions are scheduled then the group will start 'waving rods in the air'
  - Background checks will now be performed for volunteers
  - Program is growing and getting more regulated
- Women's Fly Fishing (Cari Vota)
  - March trip announcement was set out
- Not otherwise covered items?
  - Jim Klosterman will be leaving the board. He complemented us on the quality of the board.
  - Steve Bailey will be fishing with D-Loop in March and fishing with Charity Rudder in May
  - Tim Williamson will hold a casting clinic at general meeting. The date will be determined.
  - Gary will be holding a tune up clinic

## **Adjourn**

Steve Bailey motioned to adjourn at 8:12pm. The motion carried.