

B.U.F.F. Board Meeting of January 18, 2006 Minutes

The January meeting of the B.U.F.F. board of directors was held at the Church of Ascension and Holy Trinity in Wyoming, Ohio. The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:00 PM and adjourned at approximately 8:20 PM. The next meeting will be on February 15, 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 President	Chambers, Lee <i>Programs</i>	Corrado, Roger <i>Banquet</i>
Dressman, Tom <i>Conservation</i> ABSENT	Hampton, Debbie <i>Outreach</i>	Hampton, Jim <i>At Large Raffles</i> ABSENT	Haynes, Lou <i>Education</i> ABSENT	Hider, Pat <i>Secretary</i>
Hogue, Don Treasurer	Howell, Patti <i>Trips & Outreach</i>	Huber, Bill <i>At Large</i>	Jones, Dave <i>At Large</i>	Kennard, Jon <i>Buffer</i>
Lilly, Steve <i>Programs</i> ABSENT	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 Vice-President	Rohrbach, Bob <i>Membership</i>	Svarda, Charlie <i>At Large</i> ABSENT	West, Ken <i>Education & Fly Tying</i> ABSENT	

Items discussed were as follows:

Administrative Items / Proposals

1. Membership Health

Charlie Svarda is undergoing hip replacement surgery and remains in our prayers.

2. Awards

The board voted on the “Board of Directors Award”. Mike Bryant will email the ballot to board members who were not at the meeting.

Guidelines were reviewed for the “Lifetime Membership Award”. Nominations are being accepted from board members for this award which requires a majority vote of the board. The vote will take place at the next meeting and nominations must be supported by a written paragraph describing the nominee’s contributions to B.U.F.F.

3. By-Laws

A vote was taken at the last dinner meeting to approve the updated by-laws and it passed. The new by-laws will be distributed to all board members.

4. Fly Fishing Show

One more planning meeting was held at the home of Mike Bryant on January 23, 2006. The exhibitors are overbooked, advertising is going well and preparations for the best show ever are in great shape.

5. Banquet

Roger Corrado reported that 98 tickets have been sold and 16 tickets will be given away as comps. Items to be auctioned include 13 commercial fishing trips, 1 pheasant hunting trip and 4 local fishing trips. High end and small items are still needed. Bob will send an email to the entire membership encouraging donations.

6. 2006 Budget Preparation

The same process as used in the past will be followed. Key owners are to develop budget proposals. Mike Bryant will send the budget request to key owners electronically.

7. Bamboo Rod Raffle

Thirty one tickets have been sold. The goal is to sell 100 tickets by February 11, 2006 and ticket may be purchased from Don Hogue.

8. Others Matters

Advertising in the BUFFER – the advertisements were not included once due to space limitations. This will not be a normal occurrence.

Treasurer – Roger Corrado made a motion to authorize the 2006 treasurer to purchase Quick Books for no more than \$200. Jeff McElravy seconded the motion and it passed. The expenditure came out of the miscellaneous category as there was insufficient funds left in the treasurer's account.

Spring Tune-Up – there will a casting instruction and practice on March 22, 2006 from 6:30PM – 9:15PM in the old gym at the Springfield Community Center. This BUFF event will be open to the general public.

Report of Chairs / Owners

1. Communications

- a. Joe Panfalone reported on his research to make the B.U.F.F. web site secure so that dinner reservations could be made and paid for by credit card. The cost is \$100/year with our current internet service provider. There was discussion on the transaction fee that B.U.F.F. would have to pay and the fact that we are at about maximum attendance at Raffles

without offering the membership the convenience of using a credit card to pay for dinner. The board decided to leave the process of paying for dinner at the door as is.

- b. Joe also reported that the web site now has streaming video and Joe would like the education column to show 1 knot each month. Joe and Don will work on the photographs to accomplish that knot examples.
- c. There was discussion, with no closure, on the message board and its ease of use.
- d. January 23, 2006 was the deadline for articles to the BUFFER. The new officer list will be in the BUFFER

2. Trips

Michigan - Patti Howell reported that 30 salmon fishers have signed up for the trip to Michigan in September. The deposits for that trip will start to be collected in March.

Montana – There is preliminary interest in looking into a trip to God’s county in Montana. Cost may be something in the range of \$450 for a round trip flight; \$176 to be picked-up at the airport and transported to the fishing venue; \$300 for food and lodging making the cost around \$900. More to come in this trip.

3. Education

Beginner Fly Tying – Sign-up will begin in January with a maximum class size of 8 persons.

Advanced Fly Tying – ongoing

Fly Fishing 101 – This course may be combined with Fly Fishing 201. Lou Haynes is working on a syllabus.

Net Building and Rod Building – both classes are currently full.

Ladies Only Casting – to be held in April

General Casting Class – to be held in May

4. Presentations

February 8 – Joe Bertolini from the Army Corps of Engineers and Manger of Caesar Creek Reservation will speak on lake tail waters, on-line lake data access and zebra mussels.

March 8 – Randy Clark will speak on the Nantahala River trout fishing trip.

April 12 – Tom Herr will speak on fishing for trout on the Brookville tail waters.

May 10 – open, speaker TBD.

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

Possible future meeting topics include: back packing and fly fishing; fishing safety and related matters; spey rod fishing.

5. Treasurer

January's opening balance was reported as \$11,512.57 and the ending balance was \$13,293.87. Don Hogue reported that we continue to have less receipts for dinner by one or two.

6. Membership

Membership total for the month is 267 with three members dropped during December for nonpayment of dues. Those members are: Joseph Buechel, Don Balslay and Casey Keibler.

6. Other matters

Comps – A motion was made to add Glen Weisner and Wayne Samson to the list of those who receive complementary membership to B.U.F.F. The motion passes.

Photographs – Roger Corrado needs pictures of members to make a video slide show.

By: Patricia A. Hider, Secretary
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