

B.U.F.F. Board Meeting of January 17, 2007 Minutes

The January 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 8:30 PM. The next meeting will be on February 21, 2007 at 7:00 PM.

Board members not in attendance are indicated below:

Baker, Tom <i>Club Events</i>	Boude, Jim <i>At Large / Hart Show</i>	Bryant, Mike <i>Conservation</i>	Chambers, Lee <i>Meeting Programs</i>	Clark, Randy <i>Meeting Programs</i>
Corrado, Roger <i>Public Events</i> ABSENT	Findley, Tim <i>Membership</i> ABSENT	Fraley, George <i>Treasurer</i>	Hampton, Debbie <i>Outreach</i> ABSENT	Hampton, Jim <i>At Large / Raffles</i> ABSENT
Haynes, Lou <i>President</i>	Hider, Pat <i>Secretary</i>	Howell, Patti <i>Vice-President</i> <i>Outreach</i> ABSENT	Huber, Bill <i>At Large</i>	Johnson, Mark <i>Web Site</i> ABSENT
Jones, Dave <i>At Large</i>	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>
Prince, Don <i>At Large</i>	Rubingh, Donn <i>Public Events</i>	Svarda, Charlie <i>At Large / Asset Auditor</i> ABSENT	West Ken <i>Club Events & Fly Tying</i>	

Steve Bailey, the new trip chairman, was also present.

Items discussed were as follows:

Administrative Items / Proposals

1. Membership Health

Charlie Svarda is back in the hospital. Katie Huber is having an operation on her rotator cuff and Dave Uckotter is undergoing a shoulder operation. All our in our prayers.

2. December Minutes Approval

The minutes were not distributed by George Fraley, who was acting secretary in December. They will be taken up at the next meeting.

3. Dinner Meetings

BUFF received a thank-you card from the 7 servers from Raffles who make our dinners so enjoyable. Each year BUFF makes a \$25 gift to each of the servers.

4. Insurance

A refund check of \$190.00 was received from Nationwide Insurance. The BUFF policy with Auto Owners was effective December 1, 2006.

5. 2007 Officers and Board Members Vote

The new board was approved by a voice vote at the regular dinner meeting held on January 10, 1007

6. Fly Fisher of the Year Nominations

Nominations for Fly Fisher of the Year closed on February 10, 1007. Voting from the slate of nominees will take place at the February dinner meeting. If a tie occurs, then there will be two winners.

6. Board of Director Awards

Each club member is eligible for an award by the Board. Nominees were to be sent to Lou Haynes by February 15, 2007 with voting to take place at the February board meeting. If a tie occurs then multiple awards will be given. *A guideline on this process needs to be drafted.* Lou Haynes will get the Fly Fisher of the Year and Board awards made.

7. Guideline on Reimbursement for Travel Expenses

There was discussion regarding how BUFF members should be reimbursed for club travel. Pat Hider is to draft a guideline for review by the Board.

8. Excess Cash Expenditures

The following additional expenditures were approved by the board:

Capital Improvement:

Equipment depreciation category \$1200
Purchase of new small monitor for fly tying video system \$250
(responsibility: Ken West)
Purchase 15 fly tying kits \$750
Purchase new digital projector \$1000 (responsibility: Bob Miller)
Purchase of second lap-top computer \$1,000

Donations:

Casting for Recovery \$1,000
Fishing Has No Boundaries \$300
Indiana TU Brookville tail water trout stocking \$500
Ohio FFF Council \$400
MADD Men \$500

Friends of the Greater Miami \$500
Nature Conservatory \$500
Rivers Unlimited \$500
Little Miami, Inc. conservation \$500

9. Other Matters – Web Site

The Outdoor Channel will add our web site to theirs. The Sierra Club has asked for us to post a notice on our web site regarding joining the Sierra Club. It was decided that since the Sierra Club influences legislation that was not something the club could do under of 501(c)(3) status.

Report of Chairs / Owners

1. Treasurer – George Fraley

- a. Financial statements as of December 31, 2006 have been prepared and distributed to the board via email.
- b. A budget variance report through December 31, 2006 has been submitted to the board via email.
- c. The savings account generated \$77.62 for the month of December. For the May 1 – December 31 period total interest income was \$698.50.
- d. Total Cash on Hand at January 1, 2007 was 22,510.83. The projection of excess cash is as follows:

Beginning Balance	\$22,511
Plus Pre-paid expenses and Accounts Receivable	<u>3,084</u>
Sub-total	\$25,595
Restricted Cash	1,700
Carryover Needs (Jan – March)	6,325
Contingency Reserve	5,000
Cash needed for 2008 expenses To be paid in 2007	<u>2008</u>

Projected Excess Cash

\$10,562

2. Communications

BUFFER – Jon Kennard

The deadline for submitting articles for the BUFFER was January 23, 2007.

Web Site – Mark Johnson

Mark Johnson was not present.

3. Trips – Steve Bailey

Nothing new to report.

4. Education

Public Events – Donn Rubingh & Roger Corrado

Plans are underway for more Parky's Farm fishing next year.

Club Events – Ken West & Tom Baker

Advanced Fly Tying ends on February 5, 2007. There was fly tying at Bass Pro on January 27 and 28.

5. Meeting Speakers – Lee Chambers & Randy Clark

February 14 – Chris Long of Pine Lake Fly Shop will talk on Ohio Steelhead fishing.

March 14 – Dr. Todd Larson of Xavier University will talk on the history of fly fishing.

April 11 – Hamilton County Wild Life Officer Joshua Zientek will speak.

May 9 – Open

June 13 – Lew Kornman a Kentucky Fish & Game Biologist will speak.

Possible Future speakers include: 1.) Dave French on outdoor photography; 2.) Dane Law on Hiwassee River outfitting and guiding; or 3.) Jon Ray a guide from Michigan.

6. Membership – Tim Findley

Tim was not present but reported by email to the board. Total membership for the month of December was 257 and 268 for January with 11 new members, 1 reinstated member and 1 dropped member.

7. Cabin Fever Banquet – Bob Miller

Bob Miller reported that donations are coming in. Big items, such as trips, are in supply but more small items are needed for the general raffle tables. Dave French donated a hand built reel and rod.

7. Outreach - Debbie Hampton (no report)

8. Conservation – Mike Bryant (no report)

By: Patricia A. Hider, Secretary
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