

## B.U.F.F. Board Meeting of July 15, 2005 Minutes

The July 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 7:51 PM. The next meeting will be on August 17, 2005 at 7:00 PM.

Board members not in attendance are indicated below:

Baker, Tom <i>Education</i> <b>ABSENT</b>	Boude, Jim <i>At Large Hart Show</i>	Bryant, Mike <i>President</i>	Chambers, Lee <i>Programs</i>	Corrado, Roger <i>Banquet</i>
Dressman, Tom <i>Conservation</i> <b>ABSENT</b>	Hampton, Debbie <i>Outreach</i>	Hampton, Jim <i>At Large Raffles</i> <b>ABSENT</b>	Haynes, Lou <i>Education</i>	Hider, Pat <i>Secretary</i>
Hogue, Don <i>Treasurer</i> <b>ABSENT</b>	Howell, Patti <i>Trips &amp; Outreach</i> <b>ABSENT</b>	Huber, Bill <i>At Large</i> <b>ABSENT</b>	Jones, Dave <i>At Large</i>	Kennard, Jon <i>Buffer</i>
Lilly, Steve <i>Programs</i> <b>ABSENT</b>	Mackey, Bob <i>At Large Library</i> <b>ABSENT</b>	McElravy, Jeff <i>At Large Fly Tying</i> <b>ABSENT</b>	Miller, Bob <i>Banquet</i> <b>ABSENT</b>	Panfalone, Joe <i>Website</i> <b>ABSENT</b>
Prince, Don <i>Vice-President</i>	Rohrbach, Bob <i>Membership</i>	Svarda, Charlie <i>At Large</i> <b>ABSENT</b>	West, Ken <i>Education &amp; Fly Tying</i> <b>ABSENT</b>	

Items discussed were as follows:

### Administrative Items / Proposals

#### 1. Membership Health

Mike Bryant sadly reported that two of our board members are ill. Ken West is home but still recovering. Charlie Svarda is hospitalized at Middletown Regional Hospital in Room 362. He can be reached at (513)424-2111. Mike will be sending a gift to Charlie on behalf of all of his fellow BUFF members but members are encouraged to contact Charlie at the hospital personally.

#### 2. June, 2005 BOD Minutes Approval

June board minutes were approved with the changes submitted to Pat by board members prior to the meeting.

#### 3. August Picnic

The annual BUFF picnic will be on August 20, 2005. Bob Miller is the coordinator and Debbie Hampton will be ordering the food. The picnic always proves to be a good time and all members are encouraged to attend.

#### 4. Raffles 2005-2006

Debbie Hampton will negotiate the contract for the upcoming 2005-2006 meetings with Raffles. Raffles has not yet sent the agreement to Debbie for her review.

5. Bamboo Rod Donation

This matter was discussed during the board meeting held on March 16, 2005 and is documented in those meeting minutes. Jerry Snyder offered to donate a rod built by him to BUFF to be used as a fundraiser. Jerry requested that the rod not be used at the banquet but could be used in any other suitable way to raise money.

In March, it was suggested that about 200 tickets could be sold to the membership at the regular monthly meetings. Bob Mackey proposed, in March, that the money raised go back to the membership in some way. Board members were asked to consider how the money could best be used and bring ideas to a future meeting.

6. Conservation

a. Committee Meeting Held

On June 21, 2005 at 7PM the conservation committee met at Mike Bryant's home. The committee was comprised of Jim and Debbie Hampton, Jon Kennard, Steve Lilly and Mike Bryant. It was decided that at the regular dinner meeting in October the committee's new ideas on how to approach conservation would be introduced to the membership at large. The committee is working goals and objectives of Buff's work in conservation.

As a conservation activity, Lou Haynes suggested that a small group of pontoon boats could be floated down a different river each month. After the float, an article could be written for the BUFFER describing the status of the river.

b. Prints Framed

Last month it was reported that BUFF was sent numbered wildlife prints by the Great Lakes Council (GLC) to be used for fundraising. It was suggested that the prints be raffled at a dinner meeting. Debbie Hampton had two prints framed and the prints will be raffled at the September dinner meeting and a \$100 donation will be made to GLC in exchange for the prints. Last month, Bob Rohrbach suggested that proceeds from the raffle go to a local conservation effort. No formal motion was made on that suggestion.

## 7. Casting for Recovery Update

\$5,000 was donated through Koleman Affiliates and Check-Free in Columbus will be presenting Debbie Hampton with \$1,000. Lou Haynes visited the venue with Debbie and Jim and reported that it was exceptional. Lou also delivered rods as the Hamptons were so eager to travel that they left their fishing rods at home.

## 8. ByLaws – Setup Committee

Don Prince, Jon Kennard and Pat Hider comprise the Bylaws Committee. The committee will meet sometime within the next 3 months to determine the changes that may need to be made to the bylaws.

## 9. Fly of the Month Program

Bob Ironton has been making and photographing flies for about 5 years and is ready to pass the task on to another BUFF member. Jeff McElravy was proposed as a good replacement. Dave French was also suggested since he is a photographer. Additionally, Tom Herr was proposed.

Either one person could tie the fly and photograph it at the various stages or a fly at each stage would have to be produced so another person could do the photographs. More discussion of this matter is required.

## 10. Electronic BUFFER

Bob Rohrbach drafted an email that will be sent to all members with email address asking each person to consider receiving an electronic BUFFER, rather than one in the mail. The cost savings to the club is considerable. The email will be sent out for each of the next two months.

## 11. Hart Show Update

Jim Boude reported that the Hart Show will be held on January 18-22, 2006. BUFF has a booth on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor and the cost is the same as last year - \$200. In 2006, only 2 persons will work the booth rather than 3 as was the case in 2005.

## **Report of Chairs / Owners**

### 1. Education

Lou Haynes reported that eh Women in the Outdoors class presented by the Wild Turkey Federation and scheduled for last weekend was cancelled due to poor turnout.

This coming weekend is the Little Miami, Inc. and BUFF class in Nesbitt Park. Topics include stream monitoring, equipment and fly tying.

There are 4-5 programs scheduled for the end of August. Parkey's Farm starts in September. Dave Jones reported that the algae are taking over the pond at that venue and a big fish kill is expected. The fishing for the children attending the event may be poor.

On September 10, 2005 is the Greater Miami River Day in Hamilton, Ohio and BUFF will have a booth. As a new resident of Hamilton, Pat Hider volunteered to work the booth. In addition, the Clermont County fishing day will be held in September.

## 2. Presentations

Lee Chambers reported that for the September dinner meeting, Kurt Wiemeyer, who runs a guide service in Florida, will speak on fishing Lake Okeechobee. The October meeting theme will be the kick-off of BUFF's conservation efforts. No speaker as been arranged yet. Other parties expressing an interest in speaking at a BUFF meeting include: Dennis TenWolde of the Miami River Partnership, the park manager of Caesar Creek who can speak on dams and fly fishing, a party from Evergreen fly fishing in West Virginia who can speak on steelhead fishing in Lake Erie, Bob Goldsberry on pond fishing and John Ray from Michigan. None of the parties expressing an interest have committed to a date.

## 3. Membership

Last month, Bob Mackey volunteered to contact any members who are in jeopardy of being dropped from the BUFF membership list due to nonpayment of dues. Bob Rohrbach will make the calls in the future.

## 4. Treasurer

Jon Kennard reported in Don Hogue's absence. The ending balance in the club's account is \$13,338.50 with a certificate of deposit in the amount of \$5,153.87. June and July expenses were reviewed with no anomalies noted.

## 5. Communications

Joe Panfalone reported that there were 400 visitors to the BUFF website per day over the last month. Jon Kennard stated that the deadline for submitting articles for the BUFFER is June 27, 2005. To be included are articles on Casting for Recovery, the August picnic and the usual President's corner.

6. Trips

Patti Howell was not present but it was reported that all vacancies for the fall salmon trip in Michigan is rapidly being filled. Anyone interested in that trip should contact Joe Guenther at (513)724-6343 to be placed on the waiting list.

7. Other Matters

a. Banquet Ideas

Members are encouraged to send any ideas for the banquet to Roger Corrado at [corrasohome@hotmail.com](mailto:corrasohome@hotmail.com). The banquet will be held on February 11, 2006 at Receptions on Route 4.