

## **BUFF BOD Meeting Minutes**

July 20, 2022

Springdale Rec. Center / Springdale Room (& Zoom)

6:30 to 8:30 pm

**Present (10):** Jeff McElravy, Steve Bailey, Hugh O'Donnell, Tom Bachey, Don Kail, Jim Vota, Cari Vota, Ken Mandel, Tom Britton, Patrick Goddard, David Fraley

**Absent (10):** Jim Hampton, Harry Pass, Blaine Smith, Jim Hunt, Bob Gustafson, Jim Neckers, Dave Smith, Dolph Greenberg, Bryan Tudor

### **Administrative Items**

- **Call to Order**
- **Membership health concerns**
  - Ann Kivett has not been well lately, will send card
- **Reading of June 2022 BOD Minute Action Items**
  - Jeff M Motioned, Tom B seconded, motion carries, no opposition
- **Next BOD meeting 8/17/22**

### **Officers Reports**

- **President's Report (Hugh O.)**
  - Picnic went vey well again, should continue annually
  - Buffalo bill Yellowstone trip upcoming, 11 members going.
- **Treasurer's Report (Bob G.)**
  - Will write checks for picnic and FFI insurance when he returns (Hugh O)

### **Director Reports**

- **Membership (Harry Pass)**
  - One new member pending who hasn't paid dues yet (Don K)
- **BUFFER (Ken Mandel)**
  - Input by 7/24
- **Website (Don Kail)**
  - Opening on webpage for an AV person to learn what the club must take care of for meetings and the fly show
  - Add David Fraley to the agenda for communications
  - Picnic pictures are posted (David Fraley)
- **Trips (Steve Bailey)**
  - O'Bannon trip is tomorrow, water looks good (Cari V)
  - Ladies trip to Carl A Rahe went well (Cari V)
- **Meetings and Speakers (Dolph Greenberg – Blayne Smith)**
  - Everything is organized for next meeting, Phil is speaking next month
- **Public Education (Tom Bachey)**
  - 8/27 Isaac Walton league event, also similar event with ODNR 9/16-17
  - 9/24 great outdoor weekend
  - Giving a presentation at Miami township library 8/8 (Jim V)
- **Club Education (Jim Vota)**
  - Wednesday morning casting sessions, Tom Sheer scaling back what he is doing

- **Fly Tying (Jim Neckers)**
  - N/A
- **Assets and Library (Dave Smith)**
  - N/A
- **Conservation (Tom Britton)**
  - Bass island and Caesar's creek SQM completed last week.
    - Makeup other cancelled in August sometime
  - Butler county SQM completed this morning.
  - Doing an SQM style thing but with kids could be fun
- **FFI & Project Healing Waters (Jeff McElravy)**
  - PHW is on last month as active program list unless they come up with facilitator
  - FFI new officers sworn in and agenda set for next year
    - Planning to work closer with TU
  - 11/4,5,6 conclave will take place
    - Register early
- **Women's Fly Fishing (Cari Vota)**
  - Opening trips 2 months in advance is working better, getting more attendance
  - Womens trip in October posted in buffer
- **Mayfly Project (Cari Vota)**
  - Next outing July 31<sup>st</sup> at Landen Lake
- **Raffles & Door Prizes (Jimbo Hunt)**
  - N/A

### Committee Reports

- **Fly show (Bob G.)**
  - Next meeting 7/26
- **Banquets (Bryan)**
  - N/A
- **Picnic – include annual picnic funding / date (Bryan)**
  - Two main answers for people not coming to meetings were getting older/not driving at night and still being cautious from COVID (Ken M)

### Unfinished Business

- **Meeting & Trip attendance (Hugh & Dave)**
  - Still ongoing research to determine causes
  - Consider having outdoor summer meetings next year? Might get more people to go
- **Dan Beard Council connection (Hugh)**
  - Still working through trying to connect with the council. Putting together a one page paper to send to other key people to establish programs at boy scout functions

### New Business

- **Wulf shadowbox fly auction or hold**
  - Need to discuss when Bob G is here, how do we manage it as an asset?
  - Keep ownership of it as an asset but we place it somewhere that will take care of it, i.e., Catskill Museum in NY or FFI museum in Montana?
  - Need to appraise it and insure it if that's the case. Reach out to Dave French

- **BUFF Ultimate Fly Box auction or hold**
  - We could display it at a local fly shop?
  - Display it at the fly show at least and maybe meetings
- **Zoom – continue at membership meetings or not? Use for remote presentation?**
  - Tabled for next meeting
- **Demographics of BUFF**
  - 40% of club have been members for 5 years or less. If we can keep members for 3 years then we have higher long term retention rates
  - Consider doing a membership pin for membership milestones
  - Start doing local trips on weekends, trips drive retention
  - Perhaps a new recruiting and retention director who reports to membership director? Or just subcommittee of existing directors
  - Send postcard to new members to get them to come to meetings to pick up flies.
  - Can see statistics on website under BOD section

**NOC**

**Adjourn**

Tom B. motioned, Jeff M seconded, motion carries, no opposition. Adjourned at 7:50 pm.