

BUFF Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

June 15, 2011

(Prepared by Mike McCracken)

Administrative Items:

The meeting was called to order by Jeff McElravy at 7 PM. We did not have a quorum so no items could be voted upon by the Board.

- Membership health concerns –Jeff will contact Steve Horgan with names for cards that need to be sent.
- April BOD minutes – not a quorum so no action taken. There also was just a handful of Board members present in May, so no minutes were taken.
- Board Vacancies (Jeff McElravy) – Dave LaDow is a possible volunteer to take over New Member Greeting for Dave Jones who is stepping down from this role.
- Next Club Meeting – will be a swap meeting held with the Northern Kentucky fly fishing club on July 7th.
- Summer Club Outing – An August float trip has been tossed around as a possible event. Jeff Mc. and Pete Moore from the Meeting Committee will discuss after the BOD meeting.
- Clothing Purchases – The issues on the order placed last month are being worked. The BOD needs to consider purchasing hats at the next BOD meeting (vote needed to spend money and no quorum present).
- Warm Water Conclave (attended by Mike Bryant and Jeff McElravy) – Joe Cornwall presentation was very good; possibly a presentation at one of our monthly club meetings?

Chair Reports:

Treasurer (Bob Gustafson) – Bob sent out the report through May by email to the Board prior to the BOD meeting. The Charitable Organization annual fees to the State of Ohio were paid for 2009 and 2010. Per the discussion at the May meeting, Jeff Mc. is now a signatory for the Club checking account. Bob shared a copy of the insurance policy. (See the May BOD meeting notes for the discussion regarding insurance coverage.) Bob estimated that \$5 - \$6,000 would be available for the Club to donate if we use the same formula as last year. The BOD will need to vote on adding \$500 to the Fly Tying budget for this year at the next BOD meeting. In the past, a lot of the class materials were donated which is not the case now. Also, Ken Dixon shared through Jeff that there were additional expenses for handouts which we are providing to attendees which enhance the learning experience.

Communications

BUFFER (Jon Kennard) – The deadline for information for the July BUFFER is Monday, 20-June.

Website (Ken Foltz) – Ken and Steve Horgan have put together the “fly box” on the website which looks good.

Trips (Steve Bailey) – Trips are captured in the BUFFER calendar and the web site to the extent Steve has information from trip leaders.

Education (Lou Haynes) – The three outside fishing labs associated with the Fly Fishing 101 have been completed. Upcoming events are the women's outdoor event on July 16th at Eastern Hills Rod and Gun Club and Youth Fly Fishing camp on July 18th.

Club Special Events (Jim Boude) – An instructional class on spey casting had been suggested as a possible educational event for the Club. Jim is looking at a possible September timing. It was agreed that the event needs to be conducted on water to be of value.

Fly Tying (Ken Dixon) – no report other than the budget discussion brought up by Jeff Mc. for Ken Dixon (see notes on Treasurer's Report above).

Meeting Speakers (Pete Moore) – Pete recognized the excellent list of potential speakers Randy Clark had provided him as part of the transition in this committee. Pete indicated that he was considering a survey of the members to best understand what they were interested in hearing at the monthly meetings. It was brought up that the Raffles contract ends in June. Jeff Mc. indicated he will follow up with Raffles regarding the 2011/2012 contract for monthly meetings.

Membership (Steve Horgan) – 256 memberships have been paid for 2011. There were a total of 260 memberships at the end of 2010.

Banquet Committee (Bob Miller) – no report. We are still in need of a co-chair for this committee.

Library (Bob Mackey) – no report.

VA Outreach (Dave Jones) – Upcoming dates are captured on the website as are Healing Waters plans.

Conservation (Donn Rubingh, Mike Bryant, Steve Lilly) – Donn shared that the July Little Miami River cleanup has 12 volunteers. The July one will be with Rivers Unlimited and will begin at Morrow after a departure by automobile from Roger's Ball Park (final canoe destination). More information is available on the web site.

The Board adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Attendees:

Board (12): Steve Bailey, Jim Boude, Ken Foltz, Bob Gustafson, Lou Haynes, Dave Jones, Jon Kennard, Mike McCracken, Jeff McElravy, Pete Moore, Donn Rubingh, Jerry Schatzman,

Submitted by Mike McCracken 4-July-2011