

**BUFF Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**  
**June 18, 2014**

**Attendees:**

**Board (18):** Tom Agin, Steve Bailey, Duane Bentley, Ken Dixon, Ken Foltz, Bob Gustafson, JR Jackson, Ed Jones, Don Kail, Jeff McElravy, Bob Miller, Pete Moore, Jim Neckers, Phil Pursley, Tom Smith, Bryan Tudor, Steve Walker, Tim Williamson

**Absent (2):** Lane Stocker, Jim Hampton,

**Administrative Items**

The meeting was called to order by President Ken Dixon at 6:32 pm at the Springdale Community Center.

- Membership Health Concerns – None reported.
- May BOD meeting minutes – **A motion was made by Jeff McElravy, seconded by Pete Moore to accept the minutes as written. The motion passed.**
- **Treasurer's Report** – Bob Gustafson
  - The financial reports through May were sent out in advance. Total Income through 5/31 was \$36,284 and Total Expenses were \$25,920. The Club has Total Current Assets of \$37,937. **Steve Walker made a motion, seconded by Tom Smith to approve the May financial report. The motion was approved.**

**Action Items:**

- 2014 BUFF Contributions & Grants – Bob Gustafson
  - The list of 2010 through 2013 actual giving and the 2014 recommended Contributions and Grants, was provided by Bob at the previous BOD Meetings in April and May. The 2014 recommended list totaled \$5,000. The 2013 actual was \$3,580. The budget for 2014, set in the fall of 2013, was \$3800, and is considered as a guideline.
  - Bob indicated that the overall increased giving recommendation for 2014 was due to the fact the club made more money in 2013 than in previous years.
  - Bob stated that a check request for \$2,000 had been received from Casting Recovery. BUFF had given \$1130 to Casting for Recovery in 2012 and \$1230 in 2013. The recommendation from Bob was for \$1500 for 2014.

- The Board reviewed each line item and made changes. The subtotals are as follows:
  - Conservation Gifts (6335) \$1800
  - Contributions (6340) \$1450
    - Casting for Recovery \$1250
  - Outside Education (6311) \$ 100
  - Total \$3350
- **Jeff McElravy made a motion to approve the list as agreed (\$3350) with the provision to increase it later in the year at the Board's discretion. The motion was seconded by Steve Bailey. The motion passed.**
- Jeff recommended setting up a committee to provide input for next year's Contributions and Grants proposal. There was general concurrence with that proposal. Ken Dixon formed the Contributions & Grants Committee naming the Outside Education Director, Conservation Director, Treasurer, and BUFF VP as the members there of.
- Additional BUFF Director – Ken Dixon recommended adding Sue Jones (Ed Jones' wife) as a Board Director At Large. **A motion was made by Phil Pursley, seconded by Tim Williamson to add Sue Jones to the BUFF BOD.** Discussion followed on what her responsibilities might be. It was proposed to bring her in as a Director at Large with responsibilities to be further defined. **The motion passed.**

### **Updates**

- Fly Show – Bob Gustafson
  - A draft booth space allocation application was reviewed. A booth rate increase is proposed for 2015. A Rules and Agreements document was added.
- Banquet Committee Update – Bryan Tudor
  - Bryan reviewed the Committees' progress. The April 11, 2015 date, agreed by the BOD, is not available at a number of venues. Pricing is \$700 - \$1500 for the evening at those locations that are available. Caterers are proposing costs of \$20-25 per person for the meal. This will result in a ~\$35 range ticket price, not including any raffle tickets. The Committee is trying to get it down to \$25 per person.
  - Bryan is requesting input from the BOD for other suggested venues. Send him an email.
  - Another option proposed was for more of a social hour / cocktail party with appetizers, instead of a full meal.

- Screen Shots & Announcements – Pete Moore / Duane Bentley
  - The Board discussed the learning process and the increase in the total number of slides over the last two months.
  - A reminder will be sent out again in advance of the end of July (next deadline), and the contributors were asked to provide their requests in a timely manner.
- BugFest 2014 – Bryan Tudor / Ed Jones / Jim Neckers
  - Good event and expect to be invited back.
- Portable PA System – Ken Foltz
  - Ken discussed the most recently purchased PA system. He passed out a sheet recapping the purchases this year for communication equipment.
  - There is an expected savings of nearly \$700 for equipment rental for the Fly Show, with the addition of the new system.
  - Ken proposed purchasing a headset mic for use at the general meetings, at a cost of approximately \$125. **Jeff McElravy made a motion, seconded by Pete Moore to approve the request. The motion passed.**
- Fritz Backscheider PA System – Ken Dixon
  - A small PA system had been donated by Fritz and Wanda Backscheider and used at the Fly Tying classes. This equipment had been having problems but seems to be working for the moment and will continue to be available assuming it continues to function properly.
- Bill Fischer fishing equipment auction – Jeff McElravy
  - The silent and live auctions at the June Membership Meeting of some of Bill Fischer's donated equipment, has totaled almost \$500.
  - There will be more items offered at the August meeting.
- Andrea Ballinger request – Ken Dixon
  - Andrea wants to do another survey and presentation at the Membership Meeting. Ken proposed that she work with Bob Miller to accomplish a survey monkey through the on line BUFF e-mail to accomplish what she needs. It was also proposed that additional survey questions be formulated and included in this survey on other issues, e.g. screen shots, inside education, and other Club Member desires. Bob Miller would like all other questions sent to him by July 30.
- July joint meeting with NKFF – Ken Dixon
  - The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 10<sup>th</sup>. Information will be in the Buffer and on the BUFF website. A broadcast e-mail will also be sent to the membership.

- Ohio Council of IFFF: Warm Water Conclave – Jeff McElravy
  - The loan of materials from BUFF, as requested at the last BOD meeting, was a great help. Great support from BUFF membership.
  - Discussion was had regarding putting the *Buffer* on IFFF website. Jeff will investigate on what is required to accomplish this.

### **Director Reports:**

#### **Membership** – Tom Agin

Tom reported a total of 275 BUFF memberships to date, 186 single and 89 family memberships. There have been 43 new members received through the first six months of 2014.

#### **Communications** – Tom Smith

The June *Buffer* is out. The July *Buffer* articles are due by Monday June 23.

#### **Website** – Ken Foltz, Don Kail (nothing new to report)

- Online purchases of logo items – Jeff McElravy (nothing new to report)

#### **Trips** – Steve Bailey

- Due to the lack of volunteer leaders, there will not be a Pere Marquette River Fall Salmon Trip or an Elkhorn Creek Frankfort, KY fishing trip this year.
- Steve discussed that two fishing trip leaders indicated that they would not be available to lead their respective trips, next year.

#### **Meetings and Speakers** – Pete Moore/ Phil Pursley

- Pete passed out a summary of the program speakers through February 2015.
- Jan 14, 2015, will be with Steve Comer, on the subject of the Little Miami River.
- The September meeting with Roads Rivers & Trails is proposed as a two part meeting – one part being an on water demo on fishing from a kayak, and the second part on land discussing the process and procedures. Both would run simultaneously. There would be two sessions so all who are interested could participate in both. The first session would run during the social hour and break for the dinner period. After dinner, a repeat of both sessions would occur during the normal program presentation. Pete had sent out a letter to the BOD explaining the proposal and asked for further input. Clarification to the membership in advance is important. The consensus was to continue with the plan. BUFF may need a liability waiver to protect the club for the on water participants. Further details will be discussed next month.

**Public Education** – Ed Jones

- Kid Fest June 20 at Old Coney. 14 volunteers are available.
- VOA Regatta – will have casting classes out front, with better signage this year. Fly tying will occur inside. July 19<sup>th</sup> is the date.
- Boy Scouts of America – PeterLoon October 10-12; Ed will email a blast to the Board

**Club Education** – Tim Williamson (nothing new to report)

**Fly Tying** – Jim Neckers (nothing new to report)

**Library** – Steve Walker (nothing new to report)

**Conservation** –Bryan Tudor

- July 19<sup>th</sup> is the scheduled cleanup on the Mad River.
- The low dam removal meeting not been rescheduled. A letter to the Mayor, from the Club is requested to help move the issue forward. Ken will review.

**Project Healing Waters** - Jeff McElravy (nothing new to report)

**Non BUFF Events** – Ken Dixon (nothing new to report)

**NOC (Not Otherwise Covered)** – (nothing new to report)

Steve Bailey made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Jeff. The motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Duane Bentley