B.U.F.F. Board Meeting of March 15, 2006 Minutes

The March 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 the new incoming President, Lou Haynes, and adjourned at approximately 8:30 PM. The next meeting will be on April 19, 2006 at 7:00 PM.

Baker, Tom	Boude, Jim	Bryant, Mike	Chambers, Lee	Clark, Randy
Education	At Large Hart Show	Conservation	Meeting Programs	Meeting Programs
Corrado, Roger	Findley, Tim	Fraley, George	Hampton, Debbie	Hampton, Jim
Public Events	Membership	Treasurer	Outreach	
Haynes, Lou	Hider, Pat	Howell, Patti	Huber, Bill	Jones, Dave
President	Secretary	Vice-President		
Kennard, Jon	Mackey, Bob	McElravy, Jeff	Miller, Bob	Panfalone, Joe
BUFFER	At Large Library	At Large Fly Tying	Banquet ABSENT	Website ABSENT
Prince, Don	Rubingh, Donn	Svarda, Charlie	West, Ken	
	Public Events	At Large Asset Auditor	Education & Fly Tying	

Board members not in attendance are indicated below:

Other attendees were: Bruce James.

Items discussed were as follows:

Administrative Items / Proposals

1. New Board Introductions & Binders

After introductions, new board members who were not at the banquet were sworn in. Director's binders were handed out to new incoming board members.

2. President's 2006 Goals

a. Finances Computerized – this will be done by George Fraley.

b. BUFF Relationship with FFF - FFF dues recently increased. Mike Bryant is a national director and had attended national board meetings. He will make a recommendation as how BUFF should or should not interface with the national organization.

c. Operating Principles and Guidelines – Various guidelines have been put in place at board meetings (example – any check over \$1,500 must be signed by 2 persons). All principles and guidelines need to be captured in a standardized form – Pat Hider will work on this.

d. History of the Club – Jim LeBlonde and Mike Bryant have old records. A listing of all past presidents and fly fishers of the year should be maintained.

Since Don Prince was not in attendance this task was given to him (I don't know if this intention was serious or not).

- e. Adjournment of Board Meetings all meeting will end no later than 8:30PM.
- 3. Approval of February Board Minutes

Debbie Hampton moved to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2006 board meeting, Charlie Svarda seconded the motion and the motion passed.

4. Membership Health

Everyone was glad to see Charlie Svarda in attendance. Bill Schobel was admitted to Jewish hospital on March 15, 2006 with an infection.

5. 2006 Budget

Budget request forms were handed out and an electronic version will be supplied to all board members. Budget proposals must be completed by April 1, 2006 and returned to Lou Haynes. The next board meeting will focus on the approval of the budget. Chairs may spend up to the approved amount without further board approval.

6. Updated Bylaws, Board Member Information, Meeting Site

Each board member was given a copy of the updated bylaws and a listing of each board member's contact information. The members of the board decided to continue meeting at the location in Springdale.

7. East Fork River Sweep

BUFF historically has supplied and cooked the food for the volunteer workers participating in the sweep at Sycamore Park. This is part of our conservation effort. The sweep will take place at 11AM on April 29, 2006.

8. Others Matters

Pictures

At the next meeting, Jon Kennard will bring a camera and take new photographs of all board members. Lou Haynes distributed some club mail.

2007 Fly Fishing Show

In about 2-3 weeks it will be time to put a deposit down with Raffles for next year's fly fishing show. The price for use of the facility is being increased.

Bob Miller, Mike Bryant, Lou Haynes and George Fraley will negotiate the new contract.

Club Shirts

A proposal was made that the club could purchase logo shirts for \$7.84 each if 100 are ordered. The shirts could then be sold for \$10 or \$12 with the profit going to casting for recovery. Orders could be placed at the April and May dinner meetings with delivery in June. Hats might also be ordered. More information to follow.

2006 Banquet

Roger and Bob were commended for the outstanding job they did in managing the banquet this year.

Report of Chairs / Owners

1. Treasurer

Chart of Accounts, Income Statement, Balance Sheet

George Fraley set up a new Chart of Accounts and will be managing the club's finances with the software "Quick Books". Accompanying these minutes is the new Chart of Accounts and the club's Income Statement for March 1 - 14, 2006. George Fraley will distribute a Balance Sheet and Income Statement each month.

Capitalization Policy / Asset Auditor

George proposed a new capitalization policy which was approved by the board. The policy accompanies these minutes. Pat Hider proposed that the club have an "asset auditor", i.e. a board member who is responsible for listing all of the club's assets and who reports to George. Charlie Svarda was appointed the asset chair by the board.

Other

Before each meeting, George will send, by email, the treasurer's report to each board member. Please print out the information and bring it to the meeting. George reviewed the Treasurer's list of responsibilities and noted that the mailing of greeting cards and the ordering of the fly fisher plaque are duties that belong with some other board member and not the treasurer. These duties were not assigned to any person at the meeting.

2. Communications

The deadline for submitting articles for the BUFFER was March 27, 2006. Jon Kennard reported that 133 members now receive the BUFFER electronically and 150 members receive the BUFFER via the U.S. post office.

3. Trips

Ohio – Tom Herr will run a casual steelhead trip the second week in April to the Rocky River or the Chagrin River. Information will be on the website and in the BUFFER.

North Carolina – Randy Clark is running the trip to the Nantahala River to fish trout in May.

Day Trips – Joe Cronwall will head up day trips to the Great Miami and to Upper Troy (north of Dayton). Information will be in the BUFFER and on the web.

4. Education

Beginner Fly Tying – Started March 3 at Springdale school with 13 attendees the first week and 19 attendees the second week.

Fly Fishing 101 – This program is ongoing with 27 attendees.

Spring Tune-Up – March 22 in Springdale.

Public Events

Great Outdoors Weekend – Don Hogue and Roger Corrado are working on this event. More to follow.

Parky Farm – starts 3/31/06.

Fishing Trips for Veterans – Tom Baker reported on an event that the club could sponsor at Parky's Farm which would involve fishing with military veterans. Tom will develop the program and report at a future meeting.

5. Presentations

April 12 – Tom Herr with speak on fishing for trout on the Brookville tail waters.

May 10 – Kevin Morlock and Jed Litwiller of Indigo Guide Service of Walhalla, Michigan will speak on salmon fishing in Michigan with a spey rod. Randy Clark is the contact.

June 14 – Professor Cris Lorentz, Ph.D., biology professor at Thomas Moore College will speak on the environmental conditions (chemical, biological and physical) of the Ohio River. Steve Lilly is the contact.

July – swap meet outdoors. Details to follow.

August – club picnic outdoors. Details to follow.

6. Membership

Membership total for the month is 283 (the club high while Bob Rorbach was chair was 293). Two members were dropped this month for nonpayment of dues.

7. Outreach

Casting for Recovery

Debbie Hampton reported that club has received a grant of \$6,800 for the casting for recovery retreat in 2006. Each retreat costs approximately \$14,000. There will possibly be two retreats in 2007 and in 2008. At the recent banquet, \$970 was collected for casting for recovery with an additional matching donation of \$370 to be made by Joe Cornwall's employer. Debbie will be attending a casting for recovery conference in Philadelphia.

Fishing Has No Boundaries

This event for mentally retarded and developmentally disabled fishers will be held on June 3 and 4, 2006. There will be about 140 participants. This year the bait will include minnows as well as the usual worms and grubs. Small bobbers are needed as donations.

8. Conservation

A clean-up event will be held on the Mad River on April 8. The first part of the day will be work with a reward of fishing in the afternoon.

9. Shows

Jim Boude reported that the 2007 Cincinnati Hunting & Fishing Show, sponsored by Hart Productions, Inc. will be held from January 10 - 14, 2007.

By: Patricia A. Hider, Secretary Prepared: 03/31/06 Approved:

BUCKEYE UNITED FLY FISHERS

PROPOSED CAPITALIZATION POLICY

1. Items that have an expected useful life of over one year are to be capitalized.

2. Items costing less than \$100 may be expensed at the time of purchase. However, items purchased as a group where the total cost is over \$100 should be capitalized.

Examples:

- A. A motor costing \$30 is purchased for the rod building classes. It can be expensed.
- **B.** Five motors costing \$30 each are purchased together. The total \$150 will be capitalized.
- 3. Items having both a component that should be capitalized and a component that is in the nature of an expense should be capitalized in full at the time of purchase. When the expense-type component is replaced, the replacement can be expensed.

Example:

A fly rod, reel and flyline are purchased as a unit for \$150. The total cost is capitalized. When the flyline is replaced a few years later, the cost of the new flyline will be expensed.

- 4. Capitalized items will be kept on the books at historical cost.
- 5. The cost of fly rods and reels will be amortized over 10 years.
- 6. The cost of video equipment, computer software and similar media items will be amortized over 3 years.