BUFF BOD Minutes

March 15, 2017 Springdale Rec. Center / Springdale Room 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Present (16): Paul Juszczyk, Bob Gustafson, L James Boude, Jeff McElravy, Don Kail, Cari Vota, Jim Vota, Jim Neckers, Bryan Tudor, Mike Redmond, Mike Rubush, Tom Abbruzzese, Tim Williamson, Jim Klosterman, Steve Bailey, Ken Speicher and Phil Pursley

Absent (9): Jim Hampton, Joe Panfalone, Tim Minton, and Hugh O'Donnell

Administrative Items:

- Membership health concerns? Is there anyone we need to send a card to?
 - o Ed Jones
- December BOD meeting minutes approval
 - A motion to approve the minutes was made by Mike Rubush and seconded by Jeff
 McElravy. The motion passed and the Minutes were accepted.
- Treasurer's Report (Bob G.)
 - A report of the past five years', end of year balance reports was made. There were some very slight loss for some years and a positive balance for others, which is acceptable for the non-profit status of BUFF.
 - Bob Gustafson presented the monthly budget report. Jeff McElravy moved and Tim Williamson seconded a motion to accept the report. The motion passed and the Report was accepted.
 - An audit committee of Bob Gustafson, George Fraley and Jim Boude made their report. A
 written report was prepared by George Fraley. Phil Pursley moved and Jeff McElravy
 seconded a motion to accept the Audit Report as written. The motion passed and the
 Report was accepted.

Banquet

- The last day to sign up for the event is March 15. To date 82 persons have registered.
- Donations up to a \$24,000 value in guide trips and other items (110 altogether) have been received. This is a very good position for the banquet. (Mike Rubush)
- Food has been ordered for 100 people.

Action Items:

- Hidden Valley Fish and Game Club has requested speaker form BUFF to describe our club. Steve Bailey will attend this event.
- 2017 BOD Elections occurred at the February meeting

- Fly boxes have been ordered. The company has changed hands and order has been complex. Steve Bailey will look into a different vendor for the next order.
- The 40th Birthday Party for the BUFF Club was mentioned. More discussion will take place after the Banquet.

Updates:

- Award Committee Updates (Jeff M)
 - Jeff McElravy has ordered the two Fly Fisher of the Year Awards. The supply is now down to two. He has contacted the vendor and additional copies will be available for \$125 each. We will need to order more in 2018. Jeff is preparing a list of past winners to be supplied to the Club Historian.
- BUFF 40th Anniversary (Jeff M)
 - o BUFF's 40th anniversary will be celebrated in the October meeting. More discussion will take place after the Banquet.

Director Reports:

- Membership (Jim Boude)
 - There are 231 active members. Seventy members have not renewed membership and Jim is in touch with these persons by e-mail. After March 24 he will begin dropping unpaid members from the roles. Don Kail will follow up to see how many members have not renewed over the past few years.
- BUFFER (Tom Abbruzzese)
 - Articles for February Buffer due when he gets them.
- Website (Don Kail)
 - o Roadrunner issues still exist but Don is using a workaround for now.
 - He has now put regional news on the right side of the page, and is updating the vendor list.
 - Pete Moore has donated a video camera to be used for fly tying etc.
- Trips (Steve Bailey)
 - The Steelhead trip will be April 6-9th.
- Meetings and Speakers / Screenshots (Phil Pursley / Mike Rubush)
 - o Screenshots to Jim Vota by the end of the month
 - o The speaker for April will be Jerry Darkes who will talk about new fly lines.
 - o The speaker for May, Chris Daniels, is pending.
 - o The speaker in June will be Charity Rutter and she will offer a short casting clinic.
 - A speaker from Asheville for September is pending.
- Public Education (Jim Vota)
 - Will there be a Bugfest this year at Union Terminal, considering the construction going on there?
- Club Education (Tim Williamson)

- o Tim reported that there are 10 persons registered for the first week of Fly Fishing 101, and six for the second week. Seven are expected for the third week, and casting in the fourth week.
- He is considering an On Stream FF 101 course.
- He will send out a broadcast e-mail about the two-handed casting class after Morgan Canoe Livery opens for the season.
- Fly Tying (Jim Neckers)
 - The advanced fly tying class is going well. Three classes remain. Some new members are participating. He may schedule a special class in May.
- Assets and Library (Mike Redmond)
 - Mike is getting sufficient help to move the boxes to and from the meetings.
 - A key with a blue tag was lost and he would like to have it back.
- Conservation (Bryan Tudor)
 - o The East Fork clan up will be on April 22.
 - o The tree planting at Mathers Mill will be on April 29.
 - Honeysuckle cutting along the Little Miami will be in August. A Stream Quality
 Management Report will be posted after the banquet.
- Project Healing Waters (Jeff McElravy)
 - The group has been tying flies and Jerry Schatzman demonstrated the popper bug.
 - Will be fishing at Parky's soon and then VOA.
- Women's Fly Fishing (Cari Vota)
 - o Cari reported that two female vets have been tying flies. She will try to recruit more.
 - They will be tying again in April and May.
 - o They will be fishing at Parky's in May.
 - o There will be a casting clinic before the April meeting.
 - o A Women's After Work fishing event will be held on April 13.
- Not otherwise covered items?
 - o Is there a date for the Carp fishing trip? Tim Williamson has not yet set the date.
 - Jeff reported that the Ohio Council of FFF has sold tickets for a trip to Sunnybrook and will be selling more at the April BUFF meeting.
 - Tim said he will take on JR's BUFF Mad River trip. Someone is needed to take on the Whitewater Trip.

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Jim Boude and seconded by Mike Rubush. The motion carried.