

BUFF Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
May 21, 2014

Attendees:

Board (16): Tom Agin, 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, Steve Walker, Tim Williamson

Absent (4): Lane Stocker, Jim Hampton, Steve Bailey, Bryan Tudor

Administrative Items/Proposals

The meeting was called to order by President Ken Dixon at 6:30 pm at the Springdale Community Center.

- Membership Health Concerns – Gary Cummins will be having surgery in June from a shoulder injury. A card will be sent.
- April 16, 2014 BOD meeting minutes – **A motion was made by Jeff McElravy, seconded by Tom Smith to accept the minutes as written. The motion passed.**
- May 14, 2014 BUFF Meeting Minutes (By-Law Change) – **A motion was made by Bob Gustafson, seconded by Tom Agin to accept the minutes as written. The motion passed.**
- Fly Show – Bob Miller. The Fly Show Survey received over 50 responses. The team is working availability and cost of bringing in a major head liner for the Show.
- Banquet Committee Update – Jeff McElravy provided a report. The group met twice to discuss the Banquet issues. Jeff spoke in detail off of his summary.
 - **A motion was made by Tom Smith, seconded by JR Jackson to hold the 2015 Banquet on April 11, 2015, subject to the availability of a suitable venue. The motion passed.**
 - **A motion was made by Jeff McElravy, seconded by Don Kail to change GP 10 – BUFF Banquet, item 6 from:**
 - **“The BUFF Banquet shall occur on the 1st or 2nd Saturday in March.”**
 - To**
 - **“The BUFF Banquet shall occur on the 1st or 2nd Saturday in April.”**
 - **The motion passed.**
 - Jeff will construct a list of recommendations for potential action by the Banquet Committee, out of the summary from his review committee.
 - There is still need for a chairman for the Banquet. Ken Dixon will contact Bryan Tudor. Tom Smith is willing to co-lead

- A discussion was held on a possible BUFF dues increase. There was no motion. Ken Dixon proposed that this issue be tabled for further discussion at the September 2014 BOD Meeting.
- Screen Shots & Announcements – Pete Moore / Duane Bentley
 - A brief discussion was held on the format and animation of the slides. Duane and Pete will provide an updated template to the users.
 - Discussion ensued about putting the PowerPoint template on the BUFF website.
 - The latest announcements will also be placed on the website in PDF format. Don Kail will take the action.
 - It was suggested that a slide for the June Meeting needs to be included to remind people to bid on the Bill Fischer's items being auctioned.
- BugFest 2014 – Bryan Tudor / Ed Jones / Jim Neckers
 - Nothing new to report. The event will occur on June 7th.
- Portable PA system purchase – BUFF leaders have used a portable system at the Fly Tying classes to project audio. Other examples were given of classes / meetings where this kind of equipment would be very valuable. **A motion was made by Bob Gustafson, seconded by Jeff McElravy to authorize Ken Foltz and the Communications Team to spend up to \$400 to procure a good portable audio communications /amplifier system for the Club. The motion was approved.** If possible, the Club would like it before the BugFest2014 event.
- Bill Fischer Fishing Equipment Auction – Jeff McElravy
 - A summary of the equipment to be auctioned was provided to the Board. Discussion ensued on the time it will take to do a live auction on all these items at the June Meeting.
 - A recommendation was made to conduct a live auction of the best rod and reel plus the 12 flies in a box tied by Ed Shenk, at the June meeting. A silent auction of the pontoon boat will also be done at the same meeting. Jeff McElravy will prepare information on the products for dissemination and will pick two more rods and reels for a silent auction also in June. The Board concurred with retaining the standard monthly general raffles for the June meeting. The equipment to be sold by silent auctions for August and September will be listed later.
- Andrea Ballinger Request – postponed to another meeting
- July Joint Meeting with NKFF – Ken is still waiting for further information. The joint meeting will be on Thursday, July 10, in Pioneer Park, Covington, KY.
- Shelving in BUFF Locker – Great job by Jim Neckers and Pete Moore.

Chair Reports:

Treasurer's Report – Bob Gustafson

- The financial reports through April 30, 2014 were sent out in advance. Total Income through 4/30 is \$36,083 and Total Expenses are \$25,046. The Club has Total Current Assets of \$38,609. **Ed Jones made a motion, seconded by Steve Walker to approve the April financial report. The motion was approved.**
- Bob reviewed proposed slides for presentation at a future Membership meeting, regarding the 2013 year end BUFF financial status. The BOD suggested the presentation be done in August.
- Bob reviewed the BUFF Contributions and Grants Study for 2014, which included an increased charitable giving level from that agreed in the fall 2013, during the annual budget discussion. **A motion was made by Steve Walker, seconded by Don Kail to add a contribution to the Pine Lake Trout Club for \$150 to the list. The motion was approved.**
 - The 2014 Budget for Contributions and Grants was previously set at \$3800. The recommendation from Bob Gustafson is to increase the total to \$5000.
 - Jeff McElravy made a motion, seconded by Bob Miller to accept the new list with revised amounts and recipients, now totaling \$5000, for 2014.
 - Following extensive discussion, a motion was made by Jeff, seconded by Bob, to call for the question. The motion calling for the question did not pass.
 - Ken Dixon tabled further discussion of the new recommended list, until the June BOD meeting.

Membership – Tom Agin

Tom reported a total of 272 BUFF memberships to date. 22% of people who signed up from the 2013 Fly Show did not renew in 2014.

Communications – Tom Smith

The May *Buffer* is out. The June *Buffer* articles are due by May 26.

Website – Ken Foltz, Don Kail

Jeff McElravy discussed the on line purchase of BUFF logo material. Jeff has contacted Janet and provided the BOD with catalogs showing what is available. Jeff would like a list of a few recommended items to offer to the membership for purchase. A request was made for volunteers to go through catalog and bring a recommendation to the BOD next month. Tom Smith, Tom Agin, Ken Dixon, Pete Moore, and Don Kail offered to assist Jeff.

Don Kail updated the new member form for the database.

Trips – Steve Bailey (not present) No report.

Meetings and Speakers – Pete Moore/ Phil Pursley
Phil discussed the late summer and fall program updates.

Public Education – Ed Jones

There are no major changes from a month ago.

- Parky's Farm – 9 a.m., June 6 & 13; July 2, 11, 18, 25, & 30th; Aug 15
- A revamped Kids Fest is scheduled for June 20, 9 – 4:30 at Old Coney. Ed needs more volunteers.
- VOA Regatta, July 19, 10 – 3
- Sporting Women's Program, Easter Hills R&G Club, July 19

Club Education – Tim Williamson

Don Kail added the link to the BUFF website facilitating the download of past program presentations.

Fly Tying – Jim Neckers - Nothing to report.

Library – Steve Walker – Nothing to report.

Conservation –Bryan Tudor (Not present) No report

Project Healing Waters - Jeff McElravy – Nothing to report.

Non BUFF Events – Ken Dixon

- Ohio Council of IFF: Warm Water Conclave, June14
 - BUFF volunteer participation has been good.

NOC (Not Otherwise Covered) –

- Jeff McElravy indicated that he would like to borrow some of the BUFF equipment for the Warm Water Conclave, including the projector and sound equipment. **Ed Jones made a motion, seconded by Pete Moore, to allow all requested equipment to be used by Jeff. The motion passed.**
- The Little Miami Conservancy would like to sell a book at the BUFF meetings about the Little Miami River. Bill Schroder has requested sales of this book be allowed at the BUFF Membership Meeting. Part of the proceeds will go to BUFF. **Ed Jones made a motion, seconded by Tom Smith to offer the book for sale at the BUFF Membership meeting. The motion passed.**

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

Respectfully Submitted

Duane Bentley