

BUFF BOD Minutes
November 20, 2019
Springdale Rec. Center / Springdale Room
6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Attendance

Present (15): Jim Vota, Tom Britton, Bob Gustafson, Mike Redmond, Ken Mandel, Tom Bachey, Cari Vota, Hugh O'Donnell, Patrick Goddard, Jeff McElravy, Mike Rubush, Jim Boude, Steve Bailey, Jack Gormley and Jim Neckers

Absent (5): Bob Miller, Jim Hampton, Bryan Tudor, Don Kail and Tim Williamson

Other(1): Harry Pass

Administrative Items:

- Membership health concerns? Is there anyone we need to send a card to? No.
- August, Sept, Oct. BOD meeting minutes approval
 - Steve Bailey motioned to approve the August and September Minutes. The motion was carried by the Board.
- Treasurer's Report (Bob G.)
 - October financial report was emailed prior to meeting
 - Consolidated credit card payments using PayPal and Square. The First Data Merchant Services, online credit card processing service, was cancelled effective 10/1.
 - Added new expense account (#6231 eMail Service) to Budget to cover MailJet at annual cost of \$104.22, per email vote results finalized on 10/25. Two months of the initial payment will be charged to 2019 and 10 months to 2020 (Acct 6231.1)
 - Added new projector to Fixed Asset List (A/V Acct 1540 - \$412.01)
 - Reservations for 2021 VOA Lodge monthly meeting dates made with Metroparks of Butler County. These reservations are always scheduled two years in advance.
 - Renewed the West Chester-Mason Storage locker rental for one year (\$855)
 - Paid FFI Affiliate Club dues for 2019 (\$500)
 - Bette Haynes Memorial Gifts received (\$599.38)
 - Received \$500 Donation from Dolph Greenberg
 - Request BOD input for 2020 Budget (review at Dec meeting)
 - Steve Bailey moved to accept the Treasurer's report. The motion was seconded by Jeff McElravy and passed by the Board.
 - The BOD discussed methods to recognize memorial donations. Suggestions included: inclusion of memorial donation slide at the general meeting; Dedicate a newly acquired book (e.g. Joe Humphrey's book)

New Business

- Annual Awards committee / nominees for FFOTY
 - Jeff McElravy will lead this group. Cari Vota will be a member. A person from the general membership is needed.
- 2020 BOD changes / elections (Jim V)
 - Harry Pass is interested in becoming membership director, replacing Jim Boude who is stepping down.
 - Jim Hunt will join as member at large
- BOD approve Christmas gift baskets for Springdale Community Center, Caterer, and VOA Lodge (Bob G)
 - Bob requested to spend up to \$500 for Christmas gifts. Mike Rubush motioned to accept this proposal. Jeff McElravy seconded the motion and the Board passed the motion.
- Request BOD input for proposed 2020 budget for review at December meeting (Bob G)

Updates:

- Fly show report (Bob G.)
 - The Fly Show is sold out. A Wait List was started. Unpaid but reserved booths will be released if we do not receive commitment and payment from exhibitors by 12/1.
 - The Fly Show brochure is available
 - Announcements, raffle sales, & volunteer recruiting was started at the November general meeting.
 - Publicity/promotion outlets are expanded and now include CincyUSA, CityBeat, Clermont County Convention & Visitors Bureau, WMKV, WXVU and Kentucky Afield. Other outlets are pending.
 - There are discussions about making a special BUFFER Fly Show issue.
 - Next meeting is scheduled for 12/3.
- BUFF Banquet update, looking for co-chairman (Bryan T)
 - Bob Cregge and Prudence Hunt will co-lead the banquet event.
 - Mike Rubush is soliciting guides for donations.
- Volunteer responsibility definitions - (Bryan T, Jim V)
 - A guide for education and conservation is being developed.
- Pre monthly meeting activities / fly tying / update - (Jim V)
 - Who will volunteer for January?

Director Reports:

- Membership (Jim Boude)
 - Total Active Memberships 297 (includes 0 unpaid)
 - Single 196 including 4 Comp 5 Life

Family 97 including 0 Comp 6 Life
Student 4

5 new members at November dinner

Number of total members (2x family + single + students) = 394

- BUFFER (Ken Mandel)
 - Please send by end of this week
 - Fly Show BUFFER being discussed.
- Website (Don Kail)
- Trips (Steve Bailey)
 - Trip sheet handed out
- Meetings and Speakers (Jack Gormley / Mike Rubush)
 - Kevin Howe, Davidson fly shop, smallmouth in December
 - January is not firm
 - Mike Mehrle from The Frugal Fly Rodder Shop in February
 - Banquet
 - Jen Ripple in April with Casting
- Public Education (Tom Bachey)
 - Indian Hill session successful
- Club Education (Tim Williamson)
- Fly Tying (Jim Neckers)
 - Six people in beginning class.
- Assets and Library (Mike Redmond)
 - Overdue notices will be sent out soon.
- Conservation (Tom Britton)
- Project Healing Waters (Jeff McElravy)
 - Started fly tying which will continue through April, 2020.
- Women's Fly Fishing (Cari Vota)
- Screenshots to Jim Vota before the next monthly mtg
- Not otherwise covered items?
 - Meeting attendance is declining. Potential causes are food, program or traffic.

Adjourn

Steve Bailey motioned to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Jeff McElravy and passed by the BOD at 7:12pm.