

BUFF BOD Minutes

11/20/24, 2024

Springdale Rec. Center / Springdale Room (& Zoom option)

6:30 to 8:30 pm

Present (14): Tom Britton, Cari Vota, Hugh O'Donnell, Ken Mandel, Tim Cassani, Tom Bachey, Barry Gummow, Harry Pass, Dave Smith, Lane Stocker, Jim Neckers, Dolph Greenberg, Jim Vota, Steve Bailey

Absent (3): Patrick Goddard, Bryan Tudor, David Fraley

Administrative Items

- **Call to Order**
- **Membership health concerns**
 - Ed Jones had surgery.
- **Reading of October 2024 BOD Minute Action Items**
 - Still no expenses from June Speaker.
 - Lane to discuss vice lending policy with Jim.
 - David needs info on Raffle to send email blast.
- **Next BOD meeting 12/18/24**

Officers Reports

- **President's Report (Hugh O.)**
 - Focus on fly show and banquet.
- **Treasurer's Report (Barry G.)**
 - Financials emailed earlier today.
 - \$5k transferred to checking to cover charities and more revenue is pending.
 - 174 PayPal transactions YTD. Square fees are slightly less than PayPal as a %. Must have a reader for Square. PayPal is about our only option.
 - 2025 budget sent earlier today.
 - Some suggestions made for 2025 budget adjustments.
 - **Provide Barry feedback on budget prior to next board meeting.**
 - Motioned to accept treasurers report, motion passes.

Urgent Business

- **Slate of Officers & Directors (Hugh)**
 - Steve may be stepping down from trips and Brent has stepped down as Vets.
 - Four open positions. Potential for some positions to combine. Membership Engagement position discussed (Williford Krimmer expressed interest in the role.)
 - Tim to take Secretary role while Patrick is otherwise occupied.
 - **More discussion needed moving forward w/ potentially no President.**

Director Reports (2 minute reports)

- **Membership (Harry Pass)**
 - Jim Anderson and Ed Jones sent cards.
 - 386 members currently. (Family memberships counted as two.)
 - Registered members can update profile online.
- **BUFFER (Ken Mandel)**
 - Send articles by the 25th.
- **Communications & Website (David Fraley & _____)**
 - McElravy raffle data needed for eblast.
 - Working on fly show schedule.
- **Trips (Steve Bailey)**
 - Mike Jones developing a new trip.
- **Meetings and Speakers (Dolph Greenberg & Jim Vota)**
 - Shannon Young (Maggie Valley) confirmed for December meeting.
 - Josh Greenberg via Zoom in January.

- Robert Thompson, videographer in February.
- **Public Education (Tom Bachey)**
 - Nothing to report.
- **Club Education (Jim Vota & ____)**
 - Nothing to report.
- **Fly Tying (Jim Neckers & Lane Stocker)**
 - Working on schedule for tying classes. Will get room reserved when dates are set.
- **Assets and Library (Dave Smith)**
 - Nothing to report.
- **Conservation (Tom Britton & Tim Cassani)**
 - Working w/ NKFF, Bruce Lane, on another White Water River cleanup, probably in March.
 - Potential tech talk on IWL Salt Watch program.
 - Tom Bachey to work w/ Tim on Salt Watch article for Buffer.
- **Women's Fly Fishing (Cari Vota)**
 - Nothing to report.
- **Veterans' Affairs (Brent Miller)**
 - Role being eliminated.
- **Raffles & Door Prizes (Dave S)**
 - Tom Britton volunteered to help at monthly general membership meeting.
- **FFI (Cari Vota)**
 - No meeting in December. Still several open roles.
 - Cari to attend meetings for the other six Ohio FFI clubs.
 - Suggested Cari do a tech talk on FFI membership.

Standing Committee Reports (7 minute reports)

- **Fly show (Ken/Tom)**
 - Raffles started at Nov meeting. One booth still open.
 - Some exhibitors have not paid yet.
 - Hilton Garden Inn reserved again. Tom encouraged everyone to stop by the hotel Friday night & mingle. (Booze & pizza.)
- **Banquet (Bryan)**
 - Bill Carmen donated a trip. (KY Wild) \$35 & same food as last year.
 - Forms available at December meeting and online.
- **Tech Talk (Bryan)**
 - December Bryan presenting on tag lines.
- **Picnic (Bryan) – table till April.**
- **Membership Meeting Feedback (All)**

Unfinished Business

- **Club Awards (Cari)**
 - Cari has some volunteers from the email she sent.
 - Jeff McElravy President's Award updated on website.
- **Jeff McElravy's Rod Donation (Hugh et al.)**
 - Somebody needs to sell tickets at the membership meeting. Extra table may be needed. Cari requested fifty tickets to send to other clubs. Bachey to provide her with those.
- **Jeff McElravy's Collection (Lane)**
 - Cataloging items with intent to make it available for sale to members and at the fly show.
- **Michigan Scouts Trips (Hugh)**
 - Discussed last month. Tim Milfoil taking a booth at show to discuss this.

New Business

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Adjourn