

BUFF BoD Minutes
October 15, 2014
Springdale Recreation Center

Attendance: Ken Dixon, JR Jackson, Bob Gustafson, Ken Foltz, Bob Miller, Tom Smith, Brian Tudor, Don Kail, Jim Neckers, Tim Williamson, Steve Walker, Sue Jones, Ed Jones, Phil Pursley, Jeff McElravy.

Membership Health concerns: It was suggested a card be sent to Jerry Snider who has not been doing well.

September minutes were approved after a correction was made as to the version of Windows on our computer.

Treasurer Report: Report was issued to the Board via email prior to the meeting. The report was approved as issued. Treasurer reported that, in accordance with the Board's prior directive, he has contacted our insurance agent to increase our liability insurance for an additional \$1,000,000's worth of coverage. The additional coverage would require only a small increase in premium.

All meetings during 2015 will be held on the second Wednesday of the month. Also the situation of not having water pitchers (with water) on the tables was discussed. This problem will be addressed.

A new award, the Lou Haynes Humanitarian Award was proposed and discussed. Gary Cummins has offered to support this project with three award plaques per year for five years. This suggestion was discussed along with being compared to the existing President's Award. A committee was appointed to explore this project in greater depth. Members of the committee are: Jeff McElravy, Ed Jones, Bob Miller, and Brian Tudor.

Buff Catering (At Your Service) was discussed. Food prices have risen 38% over the past year but the food service has been able to keep the prices at the same level as in the past due to BUFF being flexible with allowing At Your Service to select the menu. At Your service would like to have a survey in regards to the meals. They will provide us a sample of other surveys they have participated in as an example. They welcome comments and suggestions from BUFF members during our meetings. At Your Service is able and willing to prepare special menus for those who would like this kind of meal, i.e., Low Cal/Low Fat, Gluten Free, Vegetarian.

Fly Show: Seven or Eight booths have already been sold. Tom Rosenbauer (Featured Speaker) will do 3 fly tying workshops prior to the show.

- A new person is in charge of the Oasis Conference Center.
- Fly Show brochure needs to be "put to bed" by the end of the first week on November.
- Derby City Fishing Club would like to tie flies at the BUFF Fly Show.

New Contact: Colin McKeown has contacted us and is willing to be a speaker at one of our monthly meetings. He would be speaking about his on-line TV program "The New Fly Fisher". Colin may be a possible add on for one of our annual fly shows.

Bill Fisher Fishing Equipment Auction: Jeff McElravy said that two fly rods were up for sale, but only one sold. A bamboo rod and some reels are to be auctioned in the near future.

Andrea Ballinger's Survey should be ready in the near future.

On Line purchases is being worked on and we hope to have it in place for Christmas shopping.

Sue Jones reported on the **Women's Event and CFR Retreat:**

- CFR had a "full house" of 14 participants, all went well
- The "Women's Event" has been put on hold for the present.

The Volunteer Action Committee is considering the items listed below:

- Add information about volunteering in membership booklet
 - Discuss club goals toward community, conservation, education
 - Volunteer expectations
 - Volunteer opportunities
- Mentors for Volunteering
 - Meetings: Identify who will
 - Identify activities: outdoors, banquet, fly show, board, fly tying
- Recognition of Volunteers
 - Meetings: table conversation, show board, screen shots
 - Recognition for individual activities
 - Buffer Volunteer of the Month
 - Certificate
 - Special Raffle (announced at meeting)
- Identify Fly Tiers for new members
- Have special meeting highlighting volunteer activities

BUFF Signs: New BUFF signs were displayed at our meeting. All felt that they looked great.

BUFF Appreciation Night at Orvis: BUFF board member and Orvis manager Bob Miller reminded everyone that they would be welcome at the BUFF Appreciation Night event at the Kenwood store.

NKFF Banquet is scheduled for November 1.

Membership Report: We currently have 279 active members.

BUFFER: Tom Smith would like to have articles by October 24 for the November of the BUFFER.

Website: Don Kail reported that the trips feature on the website is working well.

New Laptop: Ken Foltz and Pete Moore are researching new laptops for the club to buy one.

Meeting Speakers: Phil Pursley reported that speakers have been scheduled for Monthly BUFF meetings through March of 2015. He and Pete will meet soon to schedule speakers after this date.

Public Education: Ed Jones reported from Pete Moore that the Green Umbrella event went well. Also, the Peter Loon event headed up by Steve Alexander was a success.

Club Education: Tim Williamson reported that the first "Mending Class" was a great success and he hopes to have a make-up class on October 18.

Library: Steve Walker reports that he is still in search of a new librarian.

Fly Tying: Jim Neckers reports that 6 people attended the class on tying on October 14. He hopes work out a plan for enthusiastic first time fliers to take fly tying equipment home after the class as long as an appropriate deposit is made for the equipment. All seem to agree that extra feathers that the club has can be given to new fly tiers and "Project Healing Waters" members.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:36pm by a motion from Jeff McElravy and seconded simultaneously by all other board members in attendance.