

**BUFF BOD Minutes**  
**October 21, 2020**  
**Online ZOOM meeting**  
**7:00pm**

**Attendees** (15): Jim Vota, Cari Vota, Harry Pass, Tom Bachey, Mike Redmond, Jim Neckers, Tom Britton, Jeff McElravy, Jack Gormley, Don Kail, Ken Mandell, Bob Gustafson, Bryan Tudor, Jim Hunt, Hugh O'Donnell

**Absent** (6): Tim Williamson, Steve Bailey, Bob Miller, Jim Hampton, Patrick Goddard, Dolph Greenberg

**Administrative Items:**

- Membership health concerns
- Approve September meeting minutes
  - Ken Mandel proposed accepting September's Minutes. The motion was seconded and approved by the Board.
- Treasurer's Report (Bob G.)
  - Financial reports was emailed to the Board on Oct 1, 2020
  - Current Bank Balance: checking \$3,420.73; savings \$31,543.08
  - 2021 BUFF membership renewals are being received
  - Acceptance of the Treasurer's report was proposed by Ken Mandel and seconded by Jim Hunt. The Board approved the proposal.

**New Business**

- Proposal for local fishing (Hugh O.)
  - Hugh proposed allowing local fishing per the requirements distributed via email prior to the meeting. Steve Bailey, Trip Director, was not in attendance. The discussion will be tabled until next month.
- Bylaw update – dues / membership (Bob G)
  - There will be a vote at 11/11 general meeting to match changes made in 2016 to mid-year membership renewal policy . A 2/3rds affirmative vote at meeting is required for the Bylaw change. A show of hands will be the preferred voting method on Zoom.
- 2021 Banquet? Do we meet for banquet – alternative ideas? (Jim V )
  - Discuss delaying banquet and examining by-laws to allow for a delayed banquet.
- Next BOD mtg 11/18

**Updates:**

- Comments about Zoom meetings
  - Comments on this month's meeting were very good.
- Zoom account for BUFF (Don K)
  - Per last month's proposal, BUFF has created a zoom account for club use. Jim Vota and Don have access codes. Contact Don for meeting information when needed.

- Fly show update – cancellation (Bob G.)
  - Rick Hafele will present two topics online on 2/6/21 in lieu of the Fly Show. Additionally, he will present at one monthly meeting.
  - Plan for Saturday, Feb 6, 2021:
    - Hafele presentation
    - Fly Tying Demo by Jeff McElravy
    - Hafele presentation
- Online fly tying classes (Jim N / Don K)
  - Jim and Don will work together on technology to present quality images online.
  - A series of videos or augmentation with videos may be included.
- FFI status (Jeff McElravy)
  - FFI is trying to expand membership
  - Next show will be in 2022. The 2021 has been cancelled.
- Mayfly Project update (Cari)
  - Erin Schwartz presented at a meeting
  - Some volunteers from BUFF are involved in the project.
- Additional virtual events: i) steelhead presentation, ii) crayfish hop, ...
- Update of BUFF COVID relief program – status auctions (Bob G.)
  - 18 people have purchased auctions
  - 26 certificate auctions have completed
  - Auctions have recovered 63% of COVID
  - 6 auctions remaining
  - Upcoming Auctions:
    - 10/26 – 11/2 River Tactical Flies (\$125), FlyMasters of Indianapolis (\$100), Eggman Flies (\$50)
    - 11/16 – 11/22 Independent Angler (\$125), BlackJaw Tackle (\$125), The Hook & Hackle Co. (\$125)
- 2021 elections (JimV)
  - Club Education is open; Tim will be leaving his position
  - President is open; Jim will be retiring yet again
- 2021 Awards (Cari)
  - Special award for Tim’s service
  - Presidents award will be given
  - Life Membership Award - 10 years service
    - 12 allowed and 10 positions are filled.
    - BOD will need to nominate members for this award.
  - Cari proposed no other awards for 2020. This motion was seconded by Harry Pass and approved by the Board.

## **Director Reports:**

- Membership (Harry Pass)
  - Total Active Memberships 279 (includes 0 unpaid)
    - Single 187 including 4 Comp 5 Life
    - Family 91 including 0 Comp 7 Life
    - Student 1
- BUFFER (Ken Mandel)
  - Send by end of week
- Website (Don Kail)
- Trips (Steve Bailey)
- Meetings and Speakers (Jack Gormley)
  - Booked through January
  - Candidates include Brian Flechsig, Domenick Swentosky, Mike Porto
- Public Education (Tom Bachey)
- Club Education (Tim Williamson)
- Fly Tying (Jim Neckers) – at PM with MR?
- Assets and Library (Mike Redmond)
- Conservation (Tom Britton)
- Project Healing Waters (Jeff McElravy)
  - Need someone to replace Brent
- Women’s Fly Fishing (Cari Vota)

## **Adjourn**

The Board adjourned at 8:16pm