

## **BUFF BOD Minutes**

**September 16, 2020**  
Online ZOOM meeting  
7:00pm

**Attendees** (16): Jim Vota, Cari Vota, Bob Gustafson, Dolph Greenberg, Harry Pass, Ken Mandel, Mike Redmond, Ken Mandel, Jeff McElravy, Steve Bailey, Don Kail, Tom Britton, Bryan Tudor, Jim Hunt, Jack Gormley and Patrick Goddard

**Absent** (5): Tim Williamson, Tom Bachey, Jim Necker, Bob Miller, Jim Hampton

### **Administrative Items:**

- Membership health concerns
- Treasurer's Report (Bob G.)
  - July financial reports emailed to BOD on September 1st
  - Current Bank Balances: checking \$1810.19; savings \$31,542.82
  - 2022 BUFF Financial Outlook - funds will be based primarily on membership dues
  - Bob has received thank you notes for BUFF charitable contributions
  - Responded to Ohio State Non-Profit COVID-19 Survey
  - Ken Mandel proposed accepting the Treasurer's report. This motion was seconded by Jeff McElravy and it was approved by the BOD.
- Approve August meeting minutes
  - Bob Gustafson proposed accepting the August BOD Minutes. This motion was seconded by Jeff McElravy and approved by the BOD.

### **New Business**

- Comments about Zoom meetings
- Feedback on our recent on-line meetings have been good. Comments include
  - Quality of Presentation was excellent.
  - The quality was better than quality at VOA.
  - An action item is to provide feedback to VOA to upgrade technology
- Obtain Zoom account for BUFF
  - A Zoom account for hosting our members is \$16/mo with special annual rate of \$130
  - We are using a members account so far
  - Bob Gustafson propose authorizing Don Kail to contract with Zoom for an account not exceeding \$150 per year.
  - This motion was seconded by Dolph Greenberg and approved by the BOD.
- Online fly tying classes?
  - May need camera to enable good view of tying
  - Two levels could be offered: beginner and intermediate
- Next BOD meeting will be held on 10/21/20

### **Updates:**

- Fly show update – cancellation Bob G.

- 2021 Fly Show canceled; BUFF members, exhibitors, The Oasis, clubs, tiers, and public were all advised
- The reason for cancellation included the following:
  - Limited to 300 people in Oasis per government requirements. Normally over 1000 people attend including vendors. This limitation would eliminate many people, vendors and activities.
  - Most nearby city's fly fishing organizations have canceled.
- 2022 Fly Show reservation at The Oasis made for 2/5/22; deposit to be applied to 2022 show
- Alternate plans for 2021 show headliner (Rick Hafele) by Votas, B Miller, J Gormley.
  - Original cost was \$1500 + expenses; Now the plans are to hold the presentation on 2/6 as a Zoom monthly meeting. The fee will be reduced to \$1100 and no expenses are anticipated.
- Additional virtual events: steelhead presentation
- Update of BUFF COVID relief program – status auctions - Bob G.
  - 18 certificate auctions have completed; Auctions have recovered 53% of COVID Relief program gift certificate expenses to date
  - Upcoming Auctions:
    - 9/14-9/20 Lebowski's Tees (\$200), Elk Springs Resort/Fly Shop (\$430), Canoe Kentucky (\$100), Eggman Flies (\$25)
    - 9/28-10/4 \* John Schmidt Trout Bum (\$400), Float Master Products (\$100)
    - 10/12-10/18 Great Lakes Fly Fishing Company (\$125), The Northern Angler Fly Shop (\$150), Semper Fly Rods (\$125)
- \* Pere Marquette River Lodge originally scheduled but has since been eliminated because of uncashed payment.
- 2021 elections and awards
  - Awards committee discussing appropriate awards for this Covid year.
    - Vote by November on path forward
  - Board openings 2021 – president, club education, others?

### **Director Reports:**

- Membership (Harry Pass)
  - Letters will be issued in October. Harry to send draft letter to BOD for approval.
- BUFFER (Ken Mandel)
  - Keith McCafferty (Montana) article
  - Articles by next week
- Website (Don Kail)
- Trips (Steve Bailey)
- Meetings and Speakers (Jack Gormley)
  - Rob Worthing - Tenkara fishing
  - Filled presentation needs through remainder of the year
- Public Education (Tom Bachey)
  - No great outdoor event this year
- Club Education (Tim Williamson)
- Fly Tying (Jim Neckers) – on the beach in NJ
- Assets and Library (Mike Redmond)
- Conservation (Tom Britton)
- Project Healing Waters (Jeff McElravy)
- Women's Fly Fishing (Cari Vota)

- Carl Rahn meetup planned

### **Not Otherwise Covered**

- Banquet evaluation is needed

### **Adjourn**

- Dolph Greenberg proposed adjournment. This motion was quickly passed at 8:15pm