WFFC Board Meeting Minutes 2009 Meeting 2

Date: February 3, 2009

Time: 7:00 PM

Place: Seattle Tennis Club

1. <u>Roll Call</u> – (Members shaded in blue were present)

OFFICERS	TRUSTEES	PAST PRESIDENT	COMMITTEE	COMMITTEE CHAIR
Pat Peterman	Ed Sozinho	Bill Kuper	Awards	Bill Neal
Bill Deters	Mike Wearne		Bar	Gene Gudger
Peter Crumbaker	Ed Pettigrew	NON-VOTING OFFICERS	Conservation	Doug Schaad
Steve Sunich	Rocco Maccarrone	Mike Santangelo	Creel Notes	Jim van de Erve
Jim Morrison	Jim Young		Education	Don Simonson
Bob Burdick	Scott Hagen	GUESTS	Fruit and Flowers	Pete Baird
Jim Macdonald			FFF Coordinator	Don Simonson
		Keith Robbins	Home Waters	Mike Wearne
		Roger Rohrbeck	Librarian	Mike Wearne
		Craig Koeppler	Outings	Robert Tovar
			Photographer	Jim Macdonald
			Publicity	Andrew Bennett
			Raffle	Dave Hawkinson
			Rosters/Labels	John Schuitemaker
			Website	Kris Kristoferson
			WFFC Foundation	Don Simonson
			WFFC Heritage	Chuck Ballard
			Youth	Paul Lesh

- 2. <u>Agenda Approval/Modificaton:</u> None
- 3. <u>Minutes Approval</u> Approved as submitted
- 4. Next Board Meeting: March 3, 2009
- 5. <u>Presidents Comments/Housekeeping:</u> See Below- Officers Reports/President
- 6. Old Business

ITEM NO	ISSUE	ACTION

1.6.1	Christmas Party Wrapup: Craig said that the party was successful and that we made money. It also appeared that people had a good time. Scott had some confusion about the amounts collected versus the bills received from the Tennis Club. After discussion around the table by the various Christmas party organizers, the discrepancies were resolved. The net amount to the club appears to be about \$9800. Scott and Bob will finalize the numbers and present a report at the February Board meeting. Some general comments about the party indicated that the \$5 raffle did not generate as much revenue as in the past. Keith thought it was because the \$5 table impacted the fly box raffle and that the table should have been at \$10 instead of \$5. It was also determined that the reconciliation of tickets versus revenue had to be better for next year.	Completed
1.6.2	Pat suggested that we look at a new venue for next year's party in order to increase attendance capacity as we were down about 30 people from the 2007 party at the College Club. He also suggested that the price of the meal was too high versus the quality of the meal. People were in general agreement so he asked Peter Crumbaker, the incoming Christmas party Chairman to look into the possibility of a new venue and to report back to Board at the February meeting	Completed
1.6.3	ByLaws Review by Trustees: Pat asked Jim Young to assume the chair of a committee to review the bylaws continuing the work of Richard Embry, an outgoing trustee. Jim said he would do so and to report back as items are completed. The Board needs to approve any changes and to take those changes to the general membership for a vote	Completed
1.6.4	President's Pin Order: The decision was made to put a line item for the purchase in the 2009 Budget. Cost went in Awards Budget.	Completed

7. New Business

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1.7.01	January Meeting Date: There is a conflict for the January dinner meeting and the availability of the STC. A motion was made by Pat to move the general meeting to Wednesday the 21st. The motion was approved. Bill Kuper will use Constant Contact to notify the member by email of the change. This software allows the sender to see who received and opened the email.	Completed
1.7.02	Budgets for 2009 – Treasure's Report of Status Through the Year End: The treasurer will bring a year end budget summary to the February meeting. Officers and Committee chairs should review their expenditures for the last year against their budgets to know their requirements for 2009 to get 2009 budget finalized. The information should be emailed to the treasurer as it becomes available.	Completed
1.7.03	Calendar for 2009: Pat asked that the schedule for meeting be published on the web site. Board Meetings are set for the first Tuesday of each month at STC. Dinner meetings are the third Tuesday but for January (Wed. Jan 21) and June (Tom Douglas dinner outing TBD). It was requested that all chairs get calendar information to Pat not later than the next board meeting so the complete calendar can be published ASAP.	Completed
1.7.04	Meeting Place/Christmas Party Options for 2009: Task assigned to Peter Crumbaker and topic postponed.	Completed
2.7.01		Baird
1.7.06		

8. Officer Reports- See Above

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1.8.01.a	Pres Introduction of members	Completed
1.8.01.b	Pres. Other topics included: (a) assistance in getting the 2009 calendar firmed up and posted as soon as possible; (b) help with engaging more members on the committees in the club's activities and especially in attending outings and (c) he addressed the importance of improving the club's publicity.	All Committee Chairs
2.8.01.a	Pres. Strategic Plan: Pat suggested Board members study the current WFFC Strategic Plan, which is dated from the year 2000. Core values have not changed. Pat will email copy to board members/committee chairs. Bring comments/changes to next board meeting.	Peterman
2.8.01.b	Publicity: Pat commented that this important area needs work and what we've been doing in the past (newspaper ads for example) is not working. In the past we have had a publicity committee and he will try to restore this function.	Peterman
2.8.02	1st VP Membership Fly Fishing Show organization: Bill Deters reported at least two members had volunteered for each time slot the WFFC had the lobby table, with a Backup for each session.	Deters
2.8.03	1st VP Christmas Party 2009 Christmas Party venue: Peter is looking at options and asked for additional input. He has a list of possible sites and will schedule tours and report preferences	Pettigrew, Ballard, Santangelo, Kuper
2.8.04	2 nd VP Programs No Report	
2.8.05	Secretary Jim is fishing in Florida and generously offered his Sage Z-Axis 10 foot 4 weight as partial payment to Deters for taking notes in his absence. What a guy!	Morrison
2.8.06.a	Treasurer's Report of status through year end: The Christmas Party net was \$10,165 which is a bit lower than prior years. Attendance was lower; gross (roughly \$30K) and costs (roughly \$20K) were both higher. Consensus was the event is attendance – leveraged. A year end Position statement was presented as follows: Checking \$30,665, PayPal \$6,787, Savings (11/30) \$23,625, DA Davidson Conservation acct*765 (9/30)	Burdick

	\$22,269, DA Davidson WFFC acct*751 (10/31) \$46,627, for a combined \$129,973. A financial overview from 1998 forward was also presented.	
2.8.06.b	2009 Draft Budget Review: A draft 2009 budget was presented and scrutinized line by line. There was much discussion over nearly two hours. Questions were raised, answers were offered, several adjustments and clarifications were made. Most significant discussion areas were the Yakima Home Waters project, President Pins, a potential WFFC laptop computer, budget format and whether or not the Club was making money. Some budget item projections needed to be finalized. To present a Board – approved budget to the membership at the February meeting, it was agreed a final version would be circulated and voted on via e-mail. This action was completed.	Peterman
1.8.07	Ghillie: Jim McDonald said that the credit card machine needs to be upgraded as it prints the full credit card number. This is not in compliance with current regulations which require that only the last four digits be displayed. He also said that the club brochure would shortly be available.	Completed
2.8.07	Ghillie: WFFC logo merchandise: Mike Santangelo displayed pictures and samples of some possibilities for WFFC logo merchandise – fishing shirts, jackets, and hats. It looked good. Clothing could be ordered via the web with no Club inventory required. Hats of various types were examined and two selections were made and ordered that were thought to offer near universal appeal. Selections can be made through the Ghillies when available.	Santengelo
2.8.07	Bylaws Review by Trustees: Jim Young provided a list to the Board of his committee's review of the Bylaws. Several "housekeeping" items were addressed, as well as discussion about voting vs. non-voting Board members and how to best name the vice-president positions, especially in light of vacancy succession. Due to the lateness of the hour, this will receive further discussion	Young

9. <u>Committee Reports</u> unless already noted were given a "bye" due to the lateness of the hour

1.9.01	Awards: Bill Neal indicated that he has a candidate for the	Completed

	"Halfass" award and Richard Embry is working on a poem. We will also be presenting the Letcher Lambuth Award but the recipient cannot be available at the January meeting because of the revised date. As of today, there are no "Gold Button" submittals. A discussion ensued whether to continue the Gold Button Award. The consensus appears to be that no one is catching large fish worth talking about and that the club should continue the award for another year but with some lowering of the size thresholds.	
1.9.02	Bar: It was recommended that the Bar Committee be changed from a "permanent" committee to a "standing" committee since the post does not apply to the STC.	Needs Vote of Board
1.9.03	Conservation: The Conservation Committee awarded a scholarship of \$465 to Member Conrad Gowell to study interactions between indigenous people, recreational anglers and management science on bone fish populations in the Turks Caicos Islands.	Completed
1.9.04	Creel Notes: Deadline date is 13th. Jim Young said he would do an article about Bylaws updating process and request input from members. Robert was going to do an article on outings. Neal was going to write up something on awards.	Completed
2.9.04	Creel Notes: Deadline is 13th	
1.9.05	Education: Don said there was an update to the fly tying DVD and that he would like to be assigned a cochair because of his travel from Camano Island. He also said that no students have signed up for fly tying.	Peterman Simonson
1.9.06	Fruit and Flowers: Pete was unable to make the meeting due to a dizzy spell while picking up the Club's mail at the Post Office. Roger drove him back home and his wife summoned an aid car to transport him to Swedish Hospital. It appears that he had a minor stroke. Pat indicated that Pete had requested that the Board come up with a plan to support getting older members to attend the monthly dinner meeting. The main issue is transportation	
2.9.06	Ride Program for Older Members: Pete reported there is interest and a need for more outreach – some members' pride and self consciousness may keep them from taking advantage of ride offers but he is confident this program will be successful in time. A member sort by zipcode was one idea offered for carpooling possibilities. Action plan will be discussed at next meeting	Baird
1.9.07	FFF Coordinator: Don indicated that they still need final word on a table in the lobby at the Meydenbauer Fly Fishing show on February 6th, 7th and 8th. Membership will need to schedule members to attend. The FFF was also looking to provide some casting instruction sessions using Flyo's	Completed
1.9.08	Home Waters: Mike indicated that we have agreement in principal for a lease on the club's site that would survive the sale of the property by Darlene.	Wearne
2.9.08	Home Waters needs team to manage construction and set	Wearne

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	up operating procedures for Yakima site	Peterman
1.9.09	Library: Mike indicated that more books were being checked	Completed
	out with the new check out system	
1.9.10	Outdoor: Subject covered earlier in the minutes.	Completed
2.9.10	Rocco said that Robert had revised the outings schedule and	Tovar
	that the website was current with planned events	
1.9.11	Publicity: No report. This position needs a chair person and	Peterman
	Leland's name was mentioned	
1.9.12	Raffle: No report.	
1.9.13	Roster: No report.	
1.9.14	Website: Roger said that payment capability for the monthly	Completed
	dinner meetings was in testing and should be functioning	
	shortly. Pat indicated that he would like to see a button on the	
	home page that would allow nonmembers to respond to ads on	
	the web site to attend a meeting or an education function. This	
	requires a description of the club and the fact that people must	
	over 21 and male so people may opt out if they don't concur	
	with our bylaws	
2.9.14	Roger assumes Web chair. Kris will remain engaged as Senior	Rorbach
	advisor. Roger will build Committee for redundency	
1.9.15	Foundation: Don said that the WFFC Foundation had	Completed
	scheduled their annual meeting for February 17th at the STC.	I
1.9.16	WFFC Heritage: Chuck said that they had interviewed and	Completed
	filmed Earl George. Lots of editing to do and he is looking for	
	other senior members to interview. Pete and Fran Wood were	
	mentioned as candidates.	
1.9.17	Youth: No report. Kris Kristoferson will remain involved with the	Completed
,	Youth Program as a senior advisor and Paul Lesh has agreed	Completed
	to expand and chair the committee.	
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10. Around the Table
The meeting adjourned at 9:53 PM