



Washington Fly Fishing Club

October 2011 - Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 4th, 7:00 p.m. Seattle Tennis Club

Minutes – (rev. 1)

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| Rocco Maccarrone | President | P | Bill Neal | Awards | |
| Dave Ehrich | 1st VP - Membership | P | Gene Gudger | Bar | |
| Mike Wearne | 2nd VP - Programs | P | Doug Schaad | Conservation | P |
| Mike Santangelo | 3rd VP – Christmas Party | P | Jim Van De Erve | Creel Notes & Dry Falls | |
| Don Barton | Treasurer | P | Jim Higgins | Education | |
| Ron Tschetter | Secretary | P | Pete Baird | Fruit & Flowers | P |
| Jim McDonald | Ghillie #1 | P | Don Simonson | FFF Coordinator | |
| Conrad Gowell | Ghillie #2 | | Kris Kristofferson & Steve Sunich | Home Waters | |
| Jim Young | Trustee | P | Mike Wearne | Librarian | P |
| Scott Hagen | Trustee | | Dave Schorsch | Outdoors & Dry Falls | P |
| Craig Koeppler | Trustee | | Jim McDonald | Photographer | P |
| Steve Sunich | Trustee | | Robert Tovar | Publicity | |
| Bob Young | Trustee | | Dave Hawkinson | Raffle | |
| Chapin Henry | Trustee | P | John Schuitemaker | Rosters/Labels | |
| Gil Nyerges | Sr. Advisor * | | Greg Crumbaker | Foundation | |
| Pat Peterman | Past President, Sr. Parliamentarian | P | Chuck Ballard | WFFC Heritage | |
| Kent Luffkin | 75 th Anniversary | | Dick Brening | Youth | |
| | | | Roger Rohrbeck | Website | P |
| Mike Hurd | Member and Presenter | P | Larry Palmer | Donations | |

P = Denotes Present at Meeting **Blue – Denotes Changes (Replacement or New Approval)** *** = non voting member**

- ✓ Meeting was called to order @ 7:00 PM
- ✓ Wild Fish Benefit slated for November 4th at Chateau St. Michelle – Bruce Brown will be speaking
- ✓ Thank you note from Ron Mazurek in regards to recent get well wishes
- ✓ FFF thank you for \$440 donation
- ✓ Upper Columbia Tributaries are open for fishing
- ✓ Count of board member donations to Fly Plate – all contributed
- ✓ Minutes for September were approved



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1. Membership Enhancement

- Guest Contest – Still on Target
 - Clarification – 1 ticket for guest at membership meeting, 1 ticket for guest (same guest) for outing – Max 2 tickets for same guest per outlined.

2. New Membership

- Would like to get John “Abe” Lillard interviewed at next membership
- 3 X 5 cards will be distributed at next membership meeting
- **Dave Ehrich will bring the 3 X 5 cards**
 - a. Members will write down 2 to 3 people who might be interested in being members – then take the cards home
 - b. Goal is for members to contact those they have written down

3. Tri-Fold Brochure

- Various board members volunteered to distribute
 - ✓ Fly Shops – All areas
 - ✓ Sporting Goods
 - ✓ REI, Cabela etc.
- Jim McDonald brought in brochure holders
 - ✓ Some were missing the WFFC decal – trying to get decals on all holders
- **Jim McDonald to mail out WFFC decals to those who grabbed holders that don't have WFFC decals on them**
 - ✓ Ethics brochures are not part of this distribution effort



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4. Homewaters

- Progressing
 - Dave Schorsch thinks that 2 more delivery trips in October to get the rest of the material
 - Roof will be last task
 - ✓ Contractor will do roofing – November time frame
 - ✓ Foundation was set to cover up to \$7,500 material costs
 - Clarification – Lease still has another year on current 3 year lease

5. Bylaw Change – Gil Nyerges

- Old request has re-surfaced
 - Bylaw change to allow members not present at general membership meetings to vote on club issues
 - Club has decided no on this issue 3 times already
 - There is no further interest in bringing this forward for a vote again this year
- **Rocco to respond to Gil indicating the board does not want to change the current bylaw and that he can bring it up next year if he wishes**

6. **Treasurer Report**

- Don Barton submitted a current Profit and Loss report thru September 2011
 - Looks like the current situation is pretty good
 - We may break even this year pending our Christmas Party income for this year
 - ✓ Most our major costs have been spent of this year



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- ✓ Current threshold for the Christmas Party may get us to our goal of a balanced budget
- Increase in dues for 2012 was mentioned - this needs to be decided and voted on by membership
 - ✓ \$100 dues was mentioned as a number
 - ✓ Increase membership was mentioned as it might alleviate the need to raise dues

7. Christmas Party Status

- Mike Santangelo (speaking)
 - 6 club members are making calls to members with the following focus:
 - ✓ Making aware that the party is on December 13, 2011
 - ✓ That a fly has been sent to Gil for the fly plate
 - ✓ Request to donate cash, service or equipment for party
 - ✓ To bring a guest(s)
 - We still need to try and get more donations from manufactures
 - This year will be a pay bar, not a donation bar
 - ✓ Gene Gudger is heading this up
 - Need a Raffle master for the Christmas Party
 - “Hawk” may not be able to do it (may not be there)
 - Tasks include
 - ✓ Managing the Raffle
 - a. Selling tickets



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- b. Package setup
- c. Accounting afterwards
- d. Recruiting others to help on the above tasks
 - i. Peter Crumbaker was mentioned as a possible candidate
- It was mentioned that we may need to change December board meeting to November 29th (Tuesday) in order to prepare for Christmas Party
 - Would give the board an extra week to manage any problems that may crop up
 - This was agreed to
- **Jim McDonald to contact the Seattle Tennis Club to notify them of the board meeting change to November 29th and cancel December board meeting**
- Do we need some paddles for the auction?
 - May need to buy some if we decide we need them
- Projector – Digital to show slides
 - \$300 from Nolan to rent one, Barton has one, Rocco may have access to one – no decision was made
 - Elves (Keith to bring them!)

8. Fund Raising Idea – Mike Hurd

- Presented 2 Fundraising Ideas – Reasonable cost/Low risk
- Focus on our tradition – Idea #1
 - Photo of current club members at one sitting – color photograph
 - Pre-sell which could possibly net \$1,000 to the club
 - Sample was submitted and on file with secretary



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- Capture the emotion of the holidays – Idea #2
 - Selling Wreaths and Garlands
 - Pre-order sales at membership meeting
 - Could also bring in up to \$3,000
- Other issues presented
 - Logistics – physically have to go down to Shelton WA to pick up wreaths and garland orders - Possibly a Saturday pickup and have a central event to process the purchased inventory
 - Mike indicated that the wreath/garland idea can be done this year
- **Mike Hurd volunteered to lead up this effort with Chapin Henry to help out**
- The board motioned and accepted for both these proposals and will be presented to the general membership at both October and November general membership meetings
 - Goal – to take orders for wreaths and garlands

New Business

9. Conservation

- Doug Schaad
 - Conservation Committee has proposed \$ to Elwha River issue
 - Recommended that \$5,000 “Outside” our original budget to fund a potential lawsuit against releasing Chambers Creek Steelhead
 - ✓ Want to structure the potential lawsuit to include NOIH, WDFD and the tribe involved
 - No action is being done at the present
- Motion to take this issue to the membership (conditionally)



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- If lawsuit goes forward
- Motion approved contingent on conservation committee approval
- **Doug Schaad to write a Creel Notes article explaining the situation and notifying the membership the scope of this issue/motion**

10. Nomination Committee

- Urgently need some volunteers
- **E-mail needs to be released: - not sure who was to do this?**
 - ✓ Asking for volunteers
 - ✓ Explaining the process
 - a. 5 people needed – committee votes who is leader
- **Board members need to get the word out on this issue**

Committee Reports

11. Dry Falls Committee

- No one present
 - From October outing – Dry Falls extremely low

12. October Program

- Mike Wearne
- Executive Director of Puget Sound Partnership
 - Focus: Clean up Puget Sound

13. Outings

- Dave Schorsch
 - November 6 and 7th – Penrose State Park



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- Would like to get a larger turnout
 - ✓ May change the approach to this outing to get a bigger turnout as it cost more money for this outing than any other
- **Dave Schorsch to write up an article on this outing for Creel Notes**

14. Fruit and Flowers

- Pete Baird
 - Hu Riley in hospital
 - ✓ Critical Care Unit
 - Mark Pratt's Wife
 - ✓ Is Ill
- Meeting adjourned at 9:23 PM