

WFFC BOARD MEETING

Date: **November 5, 2007**
Time: 7:00 pm
Place: The College Club of Seattle

AGENDA:

1. Roll Call: John Schuitemaker, David Ehrich, Jim Van de Erve, Kris Kristofferson, Doug Schaad, Michael Wearne, Pat Peterman, Peter Crumbaker, Craig Koeppler, Gene Grudger, Keith Robbins, Jim Macdonald, Bob Young, Bob Birkner, John Huey, Bill Neal and guest Richard Rohrbeck
2. Minutes approved without modification.
3. Agenda Modifications: Keith Robbins suggested we add a discussion of the dress code to new business. Pat Peterman asked that we discuss staffing the membership table at the Bellevue Fly Fishing Club.
4. Communications to the President. John S. reported the resignation of Curt Jacobs as club Archivist. As we transition, John would like to roll together the Historian Position and Archivist again. John also clarified the mistake of calling our December event the Holiday Party when the club had clearly voted to call it a Christmas Party. Craig Koeppler, first VP, stated for the record that he would prefer that the December meeting be called the Holiday Party. This led to discussion. A straw poll revealed no consensus.

5. Old Business

Location for Board Meetings — John S. handed out a site comparison with some new information. He proceeded to clarify the information. New places were also suggested as others places were removed due to restrictive fees.

Pat Peterman moved that the January Board Meeting temporarily take place at the STC on the first Tuesday of the month. Carried

Christmas Party planning — Craig reported that we are in fine shape except for a few jobs that immediately filled up with ready, willing and able Board members. Procurement is complete and we can look forward to an outstanding auction. Creel Notes will begin to hype the items. Reservation forms were available at the last meeting and will be included in the next Creel Notes as an insert and available as a .pdf on the website. John S. asked if we have good balance between the live auction and the silent auction and raffle. Discussion as to tradition and best practices ensued. Of greatest importance, the bar is squared away. Craig asked, in lieu of recent political controversies, if use of the word "bait" in an audio file would offend members. He was cleared by official action of the board to use the "B" word.

Location of March Meeting — Keith Robbins noted that his tentative March program was approved by the STC on the alternative date (Wednesday). Gene Grudger looked over the Capitol Hill Senior Center and found it suitable.

Gene moved that we keep the March meeting at the STC and move it to Wednesday, March 19, 2008. Motion carried.

New Business

Dress Code — Keith Robbins asked that if we have a dress code that it be uniformly policed or we should change the dress code. Peter Crumbaker moved to change the dress code to include casual dress such as jeans, hats, and t-shirts. No second. **Keith moved that we relax the dress code to include denim/jeans aside from the two traditional formal meetings.** Macdonald seconded. Discussion ensued. Kris K. noted that we dropped the coat and tie requirement about seven years ago. He wondered if the President was supposed to set the dress code. Other members remembered things differently. He asked if any decision about dress be clear and available to all members. Jim V. asked if this decision would be best made by the general membership? (yes-4; no-7). **Motion withdrawn,** Keith then asked the President to enforce the dress code.

6. Committee Reports:

Conservation: Doug S. shared his report.

Youth: Kris K. expects to pull together a club meeting soon.

Heritage: Kris K. hopes to have heritage display for the November meeting.

Outdoors: No report

Programs: Keith will contact Peter Baird directly about the 100th birthday party for Frank Hendrick in February.

Awards: No report.

Creel Notes: Jim Van de Erve noted the article deadline is November 13.

Ghillie: Peter C. passed around a current inventory of items for sale and requested comment. James M. is working on a display rack to help boost sales. Keith suggested that we talk to SIMMS about putting our logo on fishing clothing and equipment. The idea was well received and Peter will look into it. Other questions were answered.

Membership: Pat P. reported we have two members to be inducted at the November meeting. Pat also asked for help manning the club table at the Bellevue Fly Fishing Exposition. Tickets are covered. On another subject, Pat noted that dues collection ran rather long last month. He asked if we can start the process earlier and if we should increase the penalty? The Treasurer, having to leave early, was not available for comment to the latter. John asked that we discuss dues levels at the December meeting. Kris K noted that we will have another membership social hour on November 13 at 6 PM.

Education: No report

Bar: Gene G. will start the process of reducing inventory.

Library: Mike W. will call the moving date for the library on November 17, 2007. Help is required. The inventory will be available on the website and it will be possible to order a title.

FFF/WCFF: No report.

Raffle: No report.

Website: Kris reports that Roger R. put in many hours of hard work at the Membership site. Kudos. Craig suggested we add a tab where we can sell club items

Foundation: No report.

Treasurer: No report.

Publicity: No report.

Rosters/Labels: John S. that the "Change Form" on the website already had clients and is a streamlined process. New members also were updated.

Fruit & Flowers: John S. updated the Board in Peter Baird's absence.

Photographer: Jim M. inquired about supplies for membership packages.

7. Around the Table: Kris thanked club members for their help at Reel Recovery meeting. Bob Young read somewhere that before Fort Lawton was so-named that they create a casting pond. He wondered since it will be a park again soon, if this could be part of the new park plan.

8. Adjourned at 9:03.

Respectfully Submitted,
David Ehrich