



Washington Fly Fishing Club
Board Meeting, April 3, 2018, 7:00 PM
 Seattle Tennis Club

	OFFICERS			COMMITTEE CHAIRS	
John Gravendyk	President	P	Gene Gudger	Bar	
Mike Moscynski	1st VP - Membership	P	OPEN	Conservation	
Michael Wearne	2nd VP - Programs	P	David Ehrich	Creel Notes	
Deborah Katz	3rd VP - Christmas Party		OPEN	Education	
Jim Goedhart	Treasurer	P	Rick Dubose	Fruit & Flowers	P
Tom Neu	Secretary	P	OPEN	IFFF Coordinator	
Pat Becker	1 st Ghillie	P	Kris Kristoferson & Steve Sunich	Home Waters	
Dexter Brown	2 nd Ghillie (non-voting)		Mike Wearne	Librarian	
	TRUSTEES		Dave Schorsch	Outings	
Gary Bergquist	Past President		Bob Birkner	Photographer	
Ron Little	Trustee		Kerry Hodges	Publicity	
Jim Young	Trustee		OPEN	Raffle	
Bob Birkner	Trustee	P	Jim Goedhart	Roster Publication	
Hugh Clark	Trustee		Gil Nyerges	Senior Advisor	
John Narver	Trustee	P	Jim Goedhart	Webmaster	
Walt Swanson	Trustee		Chuck Ballard	WFFC Heritage	P
	GUESTS		Greg Crumbaker	WFFC Foundation	
Bob Burdick			Trevor Bennett	Youth	P
			Bill Neal	Awards	

P = Present

President

President John Gravendyk opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. with a quorum of seven officers and trustees. The minutes of the March board meeting were approved. John thanked Mike Moscynski for running the March general meeting in his absence.

Old Business:

The March Creel Notes, in its entirety, will be mailed the first week in April to all members in good standing. The mailing notifies members that a vote will be taken at the May general meeting to accept legal communication through our electronic Creel Notes.

Chuck Ballard has proposed the club hold beginning fly fishing classes for those new to the sport. Jim Goedhart has volunteered his home as a venue. Chuck will pursue information supplied by Fly Fishing International regarding classes.



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Harlan French has given his entire fly tying material to the club. Jim McRoberts will take what he needs for his veterans foundation. The remainder will be given away at the April general meeting.

New Business:

The club has two committee chair vacancies on the Board: Conservation and Education. We are actively pursuing to fill both. The Operations Manual on the club website details the duties of these committee chairs for anyone interested.

The club is still asking for hosts to share the workload of future outings. Members should inquire with Dave Schorsch to learn more about which outings still need extra help in organizing and execution.

1st VP - Membership

Mike Moscynski

Mike Moscynski reported that we are done collecting all membership dues. After the first month we had only 65% paid members so the payment period was extended two additional months. In addition, 13 members have left the club to date in 2018. A discussion followed on reasons members may have given up their membership. Mike reminded the board that we need more mentors to sign up and help with new member assimilation. Currently, our club's median age is 70 years old and that may keep younger fly fishing enthusiasts from joining.

2nd VP – Programs

Michael Wearne

Michael Wearne presented the future speakers for the next general meetings:

- April Linda Mapes on net pens on Puget Sound
- May Speaker from the W.D.F.D.
- June Roger Fletcher on drift boat design
- July David Williams on small mouth bass
- August Roundtable seminar featuring 4 leaders (yet-to-be-confirmed)
- September Jim Lockey on South Sound sea-run cutthroat

Treasurer

Jim Goedhart



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Jim Goedhart presented the YTD budget v. actuals in his financial report. The club's cash balance at the end of March is \$94,177.00. To date, the club is losing \$404.00 on general meeting dinners. The club membership YTD stands at 136 members.

1st Ghillie

Pat Becker

A reminder that the deadline for dinner sign-ups is Thursday prior to the monthly meeting. Pat Becker asks that we remind members to sign up on time.

Standing Committees:

Fruit & Flowers

Rick Dubose

The committee is sending a card (and possibly a walking stick) to Ron Little after a bad fall on the Siletz River in Oregon.

Creel Notes

David Ehrich

David Ehrich reminded the board that reports for Creel Notes be submitted by the 5th of the month, not the 10th.

Youth

Trevor Bennett

Trevor Bennett has organized a kids outing on Saturday April 28 at American Lake in Tacoma. Two groups: Wear Blue and Gold Star Kids are kids who have lost parents to war. Trevor is expecting 10 kids to participate.

Conservation

Jim Goedhart has asked and received approval from the Board to contribute \$2,000 to the Western Rivers Conservancy to help its in its mission to purchase property on rivers in Washington. The contribution allows the club to suggest a river to the conservancy for land purchase. Jim will research possible rivers and present his suggestions to the board at a future meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 p.m.